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MAY, 1998

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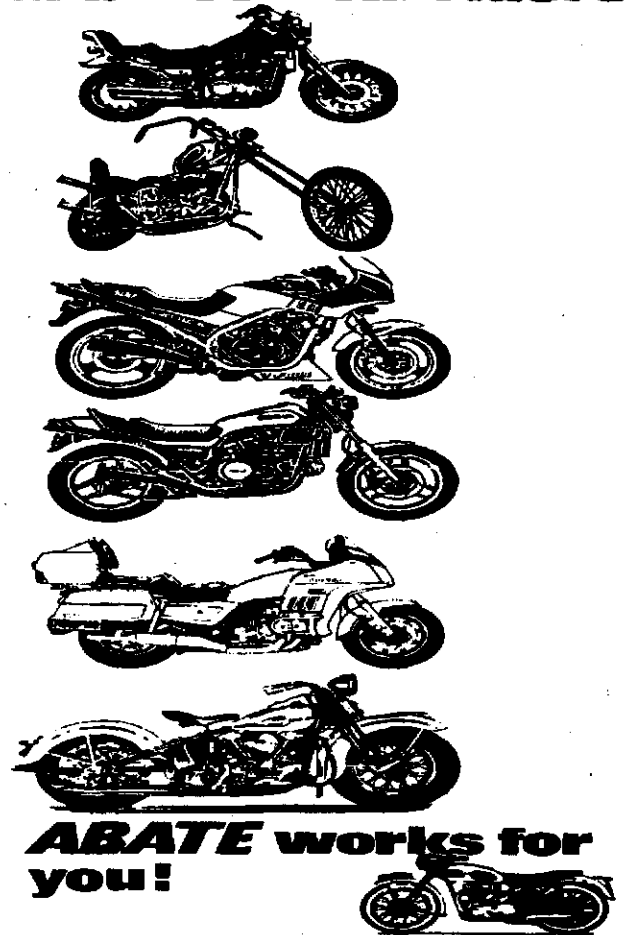
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Chapter Meeting Places - Where & When

1 st & 3 rd SUNDAY	S.E. PORTLAND	12:00 Noon, The Pizza Baron, S.E. 122nd & Division, Portland
1 st SUNDAY	BLUE MOUNTAIN	1:00 PM, East Side Tavern Rest., 2209 Adams Av., LaGrande
	LINCOLN COUNTY	7:30 PM, Moby Dick's Restaurant, Newport
2 nd SUNDAY	CENTRAL OREGON	2:00 PM Moose Lodge #323, 3199 N. Hwy 97, Redmond
	KEIZER	4:00 PM, Izzy's Pizza, 3400 River Road, Keizer
3 rd SUNDAY	SOUTH COAST	11:00 AM, Gino's Pizza, 1324 Virginia Street, North Bend
	DOUGLAS COUNTY	12:00 AM, Round Table Pizza, Roseburg Valley Mall, Roseburg
	SOUTHERN OREGON	12:00 Noon, Oregon's Pizza, Gold Hill
2 nd & 4 th 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 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, Cassandra's Resteraunt, 446 SW Baseline, Hillsboro
1 st & 3 rd WEDNESDAY	NORTH COAST ABATE	7:00 PM, Astoria Eagle, 894 Commercial, Astoria
	N.E. PORTLAND	7:30 PM, RoundTable Pizza, 4141 NE 122 nd , Portland
1 st THURSDAY	WILLAMETTE VALLEY	7:00 PM, Prime Time Sports Bar & Grill, 1360 Mohawk, Springfield
3 rd THURSDAY	RIVER CITY	7:30 PM, Zim's Brau Haus, 604 E 2nd St., The Dalles

Coordinator's Comments

Hi Bro's and Sisters,

Tina and I are sitting here in Friday before the April State Board Meeting. Wading through the mountains of correspondence, minutes, etc. is always fun. Things are going so well for ABATE, it appears, I can't find anything to bitch about. So I guess I will snivel about it being spring with lots of nice days and both of my bikes are broken. Wa, Wa! Support your local coordinator, please send money.

I read in one chapter's meeting minutes that they were discussing changing their meeting date so it fell right after the State Board Meeting instead of right before so reports from the Board Director is more current. I support this thinking and urge any other chapters who's meeting dates sometimes fall right before the State Board Meeting to consider the possibility of changing their meeting dates. This would be very helpful to members going into the next Legislative Session.

Here's a quick run-down of what I've been doing.

I attended the BikePAC Awards Banquet and Planning Session. It went very well, although we will need to have another one in the fall to write legislation. I walked away from this session somewhat disappointed that we spent so much time on campaign work and not so much on the '99 session plans, until I took the time to think and realized this is a new and very important activity for BikePAC which needs a lot of attention.

I recently was invited and attended an exploratory meeting to discuss the possibility of the motorcycle clubs of Oregon forming a confederation. The meeting was very productive. I will give a full report at the April board meeting and I personally wish them all the best of luck in this endeavor.

Right now I am preparing for a trip to Irving, Texas for the lucky 13 NCOM Annual Convention. I will travel with Butch Harbaugh, Sam Hochberg and others.

In closing, I just want to thank you all for your efforts, whether it's BikePAC, campaign, ABATE, confederation, etc. We need each other to stay free!

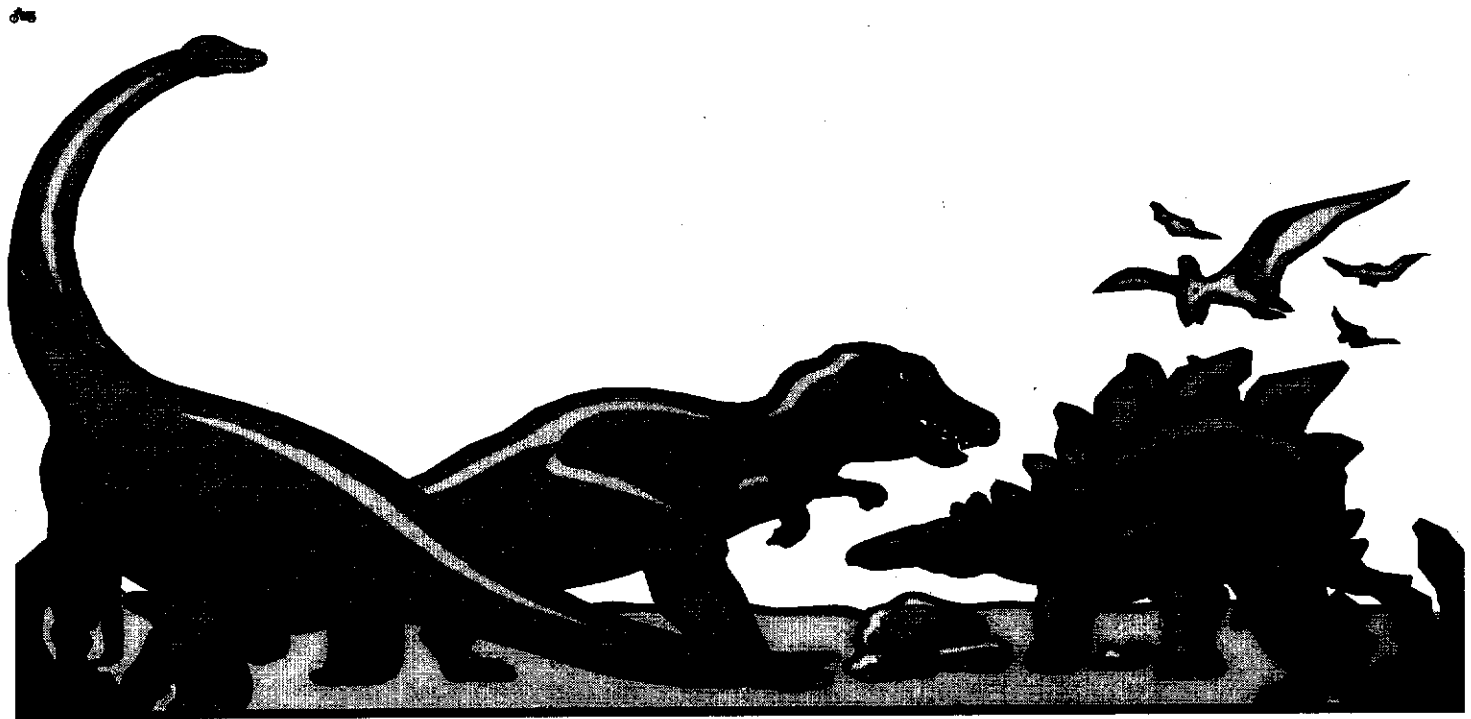
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PS Tina says Hi!



SEE YOU AT FOSSIL OR HEAR ABOUT THE FUN YOU MISSED!

CHAPTER REPORTS

Blue Mountain

Meets 1st Sunday, 1:00 PM

Eastside Tavern & Cafe 2209 Adams Ave., LaGrande
Chapter Address: 69873 Summerville Rd., Or. 97876
Chapter Contact: Howard Butts (541)-584-5411

No report, first time.

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

Spring is definitely here. In Central Oregon we have four seasons in one day, which makes riding an adventure.

We have an opening for an education director. We would like to get a great education department together. If you are interested please come to a meeting and let us know.

The September State board meeting will be held here in Central Oregon. We need some happy volunteers to share their floors, yards and anywhere one or more bodies will fit for our out of town guests. We hope to have a large turn out for this meeting and hope to see you there.

Retraction: We had an impostor in our last newsletter "Bob." He was imposing as Bill Cline. Bill please forgive me. Bill Cline is our new Chapter Chaplain>

Summer is coming!

Sherrri

Columbia River

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

Pizza Perfect 6815 N.E. Killingsworth, Portland
Chapter Address: P.O. Box 11817, Portland, OR 97211
Chapter Contact: Angie, (503)-285-4329

Well, if the saying about April showers is true, we must be rolling in May flowers. Hopefully, you are also getting ready to roll over to Fossil. Rain, showers, or flowers, I hope you are planning to attend. Good weather makes for a fun time, but it's people that make Fossil great.

Everything always comes together at Fossil and everything gets done but it's not magic. It takes a lot of work, often done by just a few people, to make everything turn out so good. Please be willing to help out. Spend a few hours on security, at the gate or stop by the information booth and see what needs to be done.

And everyone needs to be responsible for keeping the campsites clean. This means garbage in the garbage truck and cigarettes in the butt cans. Let's all work together to have a great run.

Plans are well under way for The Run to the Sun, June 27th and 28th, and the Summer Run August 14th-16th. Come to a Chapter meeting to find out the latest or get involved in the planning. We continue to meet the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month at 12:30 p.m. at the (Table) Perfect Pizza, on NE 68th and Killingsworth.

Our meetings are informative, efficient (meaning they don't take all afternoon), and fun. We would really like to see more of our members at meetings.

Now, after trying to persuade you to come to a meeting, I have to let you know that we will not be having meetings on Sunday, May

24th, due to Fossil, or on Sunday, June 28th, due to the Run to the Sun (which you are all planning to attend, right?)

Be sure to vote in the elections. Know the issues and what the candidates stand for, then VOTE!

Janet

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
Chapter Contact: Ed Halkyard at (541) 673-6120

It's that time again 7.1.

Yes, title for the sun to shine real nice and high But being very deceiving with cold winds sneaking around there. Some places are getting sunshine but looking out there and praying it makes the snow disappear.

Again just a reminder that our meeting time has changed to 12 noon. Same meeting place - round table Pizza - so if you're in the neighborhood stop in and say hello. Also to let everyone know we will now be having a porker run after each meeting. Whether you're on a bike or in a car it really doesn't matter, just join in and see a part of the county. All is welcome...

See ya at the May awareness rally.

The pest

Cyndi Maley

Keizer

Meets 2nd Sunday at 4:00 PM

Izzy's Pizza, 3400 River Rd, Keizer
Chapter Address: P.O. Box 20896, Keizer, Or. 97307
Chapter Contact: Vern Miller (503) 390-7906

Greetings everyone:

Keizer chapter continues strongly. We had fifteen people and six motorcycles at our March meeting. (Though the bikes stayed outside. :)

Don Scott, who is running for office min Precinct 17, was supposed to attend as well, but apparently he couldn't fit it into his schedule. Daryle (who we still call "Breadstick") told us that Mr. Scott needs help with lawn signs, flyers, and other campaign work. Dayle ("Breadstick") also encouraged Abate members to become precinct persons, since they tend to get listened to more by politicians.

Kevin Walker reported that state Abate needs help setting up and cleaning up at Fossil. Also if anyone has medical training, it would be helpful at Fossil.

Everyone seems to agree that Steam went well.

Evidently there have been problems with unsanctioned activities in the name of Abate, so guidelines have been developed and are being strictly enforced.

Hey! We have a chapter flag now! (Just in time for the May Awareness Rally. Walt delivered it to Vern at our March meeting. (Actually, he threw it at him but saying it was delivered sounds nicer.))

Let's see, what else has been happening. Oh yes, IceBreaker was held in Turner this year. The weather actually cooperated and the work crew was able to do a really nice job cleaning up the park.

There were so many bikes and people there! Good job, Salem chapter!

Our chapter held a family potluck picnic down at Roaring Creek where IceBreaker was held in the past. I wasn't able to go but I hope everyone had a real good time.

Daryle won our 50-50 raffle and donated the money back into the Chapter account. (He didn't even buy himself any breadsticks with his winnings!)

The weather is becoming lovely. I hope everyone enjoys riding in the spring sunshine.

R. O'Toole
"Squeeker" ;-)

Lincoln County

Meets 1st Sunday, 11:00 AM
Moby Dick's Restaurant, Newport
Chapter Address: P.O. Box 614, Waldport, Or 97
Chapter Contact: Gary Ploub 541-782-3476

Greeting Earth People!

Lincoln Co. has been very busy. On March 28th we had our Long John Poker Run/Car Raffle/Anniversary Party.

The Long John Poker Run started out very promising. 15 motorcycles holding 28 hands of poker. With a mishap in the gravel, and a few mechanical problems, 10 bikes managed to make it all the way through. Congrats go to Karen Gertula (hope you're OK!) and Bill Elrod, the big winners of the high-low split.

Speaking of big winners, congrats also go to John and Kay Miller of North Beaver Creek for having the luck of the draw in winning the 1986 Chevy Spectrum donated by Tony Murray Motors. Proceeds went to Dorothy Grover (a.k.a. Mrs. Santa). She in turn donated those proceeds to the T.O.T.S. Carseat Program. Thank you Dorothy and to all the people involved in helping pull this off. After everything was said and done, on with the Anniversary Party!

Good food, good friends, and good music, all the makings of a good party! Happy Anniversary to all Lincoln Co members past and present.

April finds us busy with upcoming car wash? And the games for Fossil. Our Beaver Creek Committee has been working out the details for our Annual Beaver Creek Run. For advance tickets see flyer for contacts or call me at 541-563-6526.

See you at Fossil,
Ride Safe!
Shirley

N.E. Portland

Meets 1st & 3rd Wednesday, 7:00 PM
Round Table Pizza, 4141 NE 122nd, Portland
Chapter Address: P.O. Box 5792, Portland, OR 97228
Chapter Contact: MaryBeth (503) 253-7343

Hi from NE Portland,

How's everyone's spring so far? There's been a few good riding days around here. Just enough to make me really want summer. Before we know it though, summer will be here and gone.

We've had good meetings since the last report. Cindy is doing a good job keeping us informed legislatively! Hope everyone has done what they could to get favorable reps. through the May primaries Our meetings are a great place to get the information you need to make good voting decisions.

Looking forward to Fossil this month. As I'm writing this report, I'm seriously considering coordinating a concession at Fossil to benefit BikePAC. We all know they need the money. I know it's a little late to start something like this but I work better under pressure. The main concern I have is, if we'll have enough help to run it I know I don't want to spend the whole weekend selling food, so if anybody would like to chip in a couple hours I would appreciate it and you can know that you helped out in, what I consider, our most important cause, BikePAC! Please contact me at (503) 620-0435. Oh ya, don't forget about security while your there. Without security there could be no Fossil and it's not fair that just a handful of people do all the work.

I went to the BikePAC planning session in March and it seemed that it was a productive session. After everyone recognized the assets and where work needed to be done I ended up on the money committee and we mostly discussed a fundraiser in the fall. We're still in the early planning stages of this, so I don't have much to tell you about it.

I also went to the Best of the West conference in Ogden representing our chapter last month along with several other ABATE of Oregon members. It was great meeting people from other states representing motorcyclists' rights organizations as well as learning a lot.

If you ever get a chance to attend one of these, I recommend it highly. Thanks also to ABATE of Utah for being a great host.

That's all from N.E. Ptd this month. Sorry if this has sounded like Marty's report instead of the chapter report At every meeting I ask the chapter for input for this report and I get none, so with my lack of creative writing skills I do the best I can.

Later, Marty

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 Oletzke (503) 861-0749

Now that spring is here our chapter is gearing up for the various runs that will be coming up. We've purchased a new run trailer to better serve the masses and are looking forward to breaking it in. We recently had a trailer party and many of the chapter members showed up to help out. The guys built counters, laid Formica, laid new linoleum, painted, wired, plumbed and etc. to create a masterpiece of rolling equipment designed to serve and generate dollars.

Fossil is coming up the end of this month and a good time will be had by all. Our chapter will be having it's 3rd Annual Round Saddle Mountain Run next month, June 27th. This run is really becoming a good one and is a lot of fun with food and raffle prizes waiting at the end so hope to see some of you there. There should be a flyer in this issue. It starts in Seaside at Robs Restaurant and ends in Seaside at the Relief Pitcher Tavern. He's got a nice beer garden there and hopefully it will be nice weather.

Well, that's about all for now, til next time, ride safe,
Jamy...



River City

Meets 1st Tuesdays, & 3rd Thursdays 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

Our meeting schedule has changed to first Tuesdays and third Thursdays. Please effect changes in the newsletter listings. Thanks. We had a good meeting on April 7, with 15 people in attendance. Hewett Hillis was not present to win the \$15 he could have had in the Chapter drawing. Next meeting it will be \$20. The 50/50 was won by Aaron Westphal who donated his share of \$11.50 back to the chapter. We continue to discuss fundraising and rides, as well as our legislative activities.

There were several new faces there and one of them joined. Welcome Toni Coletti. Several others are interested and should be joining soon. Two of our more distant members, Paul Flores (Umatilla) and Jeff Milholland (Roosevelt WA) came in tonight and it was good to see them.

We are going to develop a chapter logo incorporating the wing logo and a river and hills, or possibly some other design.

We will begin our season of Sunday rides the week after Easter. We meet at 11:30 at Zim's at 604 E 2nd in The Dalles. Come join us, or contact us to meet your group somewhere in between.

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)

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

Chapter Contact: Jim Russell 503-743-4121

SPRING TIME - AN' THE LIVING'S EASY

(With the right line)

All them dark ol' rainy days back in March an' early April an' Rot Path waits 'til deadline day when it it's sunny an' warm to write this. It's all in the timin', folks.

If Rot Path had managed time better, he could be out mowing the lawn now ...hmmm. Maybe this worked out better than Rot Path thought.

Have ya got a loved one tellin' ya to get yer rear off the couch an' hack yer way through the yard to the lawnmower? Then use the Rot Path scientific-soundin' excuse so ya can finish watchin' "Gilligan's Island" in peace:

"[Term of endearment that won't get ya belted], I'm letting the grass reseed itself this year. Frankly, I've discovered that lawn specialists say that we're supposed to let it do that every other year for a stronger, healthier lawn that will be the envy of our neighborhood. And with the money we save by not mowing it this year, you and I can treat ourselves to a night out. Wouldn't that be nice, [another term of endearment]?"

Memorize this little speech an' practice deliverin' it without gigglin'. If done properly, yer loved one's eyes won't narrow suspiciously as ya fertilize the livin' room carpet with this line. An' that bit about lookin' better to the neighbors is real important to yer better half's self esteem, especially if yer house involves a hitch. No need to go into details, like the night out involvin' all-ya-can-eat tacos.

If yer mate should bring up the potentially embarrassin' fact that the kids were sent out to play in the yard an' their pictures are now on milk cartons, just point out that they're learnin' valuable survival

skills out there in the jungle that used to be yer front lawn. (An' don't forget to heave a loaf of bread out into the wilds fer 'em every day or two.)

Of course, if the grass gets high enough, ya may not be able to find yer scooter fer a couple of years. Every strategy has its down side. (Look at tinkle-down Reagonomics.) But just think how much yer bike will appreciate as a little-ridden antique.

So with a dubious-soundin' line of quasi-scientific statements, y'all will never have to set down yer remotes.

("Gilligan! Drop those coconuts and get out of that tree!")

Rot Path

South Coast

Meets 3rd Sunday, 11 AM

Gino's Pizza, 1324 Virginia Street, North Bend

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

Chapter Contact: Bud Berliner (541)-267-2523

Hello,

Our March meeting was informative. Karen gave the Legislative report and informed us that she spoke with Marlee Newton who is willing to come to one of our meetings and speak with us. Karen and Jeff are going to try to arrange for her to come to our April meeting.

We were sorry to hear about Tom Curran, he had to have surgery but fortunately is doing fine now.

Steve is moving right along on the MAP course working with the High School in Gold Beach.

Bud and Randy have Fossil tickets, so get yours now. Randy also has T-shirts and his other usual stuff for sale.

We are going ahead with Coos River Run for this year. Also, we are going to purchase a cash register to help Nancy keep track of the accounting at the run. If you're interested in volunteering to help on the run committee let Bud or Karen know.

Don't forget to drop off your cans and bottles at Tom Crowls and bring your food donations to the meeting and/or drop those off at Wandas.

Drawing for the door prizes and 50/50:

\$15 Miller T-shirt donated by Thomas & Sons was won by Steve
\$?? Collectors can of Harley Davidson Beer donated by Finches Jewelry was won by Bud

\$30 Slippers donated by Bill Paetz was won by Milton a.k.a.: Wizard

\$10 Harley Bandana donated by Sherms Cycle Products was won by Jeff

\$3 Screw Driver Set donated by Sherms Cycle Products was won by Randy

\$2 Cold Cup donated by Sherms Cycle Products was won by Tony

\$15 Pizza donated by Ginos was won by John

\$4 Sandwich donated by Ginos was won by Mike

\$12 Cap donated by Bracelin & Yeager was won by Mike

\$12 Cap donated by Snap On was won by Randy

\$12 T Shirt donated by the Navy was won by Tom

\$2 Water Bottle donated by the Navy was won by Tom

\$31 30-piece Socket Set donated by Far West Truck won by Tom Crowl

Finches gave away some ink pens

Coastguard gave away some 6" rulers

A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon's MEMBERSHIP CLASSIFIED'S

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<p>FOR SALE 1980CM 400A(Hondamatic) full faring, stereo, hard bags. GREAT starter bike in good condition \$750.00 1981 GoldWing, new battery, new front tire, good condition \$1500.00 Call Bill the Bricklayer 503-640-9543 6/98</p>	<p>For Sale 1990 Sporty. Excellent condition, lo miles, engine just rebuilt by Coos Bay Cycle. New regulator and battery. \$7,300.00 John 541-572-1951 5/98</p>	
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<p>Used Langlitz Leathers good condition Columbia Jacket 42 reg Columbia pants 34X30 (Approximate sizes) set for \$600.00/offer Marty Con 503-620-0435</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">WANTED: PEOPLE TO DO WORK FOR FREE! DO THE IMPOSSIBLE FOR THE PURE SATISFACTION OF A JOB WELL DONE! BE ONE OF THE FEW, THE PROUD, A VOLUNTEER! APPLY THROUGH YOUR SGT. AT ARMS OF YOUR Chapter OR AT THE INFORMATION BOOTH AT FOSSIL '98</p>	<p>HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO JESSICA LYNN HIERONIMUS AND ALSO A VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO MY WIFE MARYBETH! THE EDITOR</p>
<p>HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY ALL YOU MOTHERS!</p>	<p>HAPPY ANIVERSARY TO CRAZY STEVE AND ANNIE HELP TO CELEBRATE WITH THEM AT (THE TABLE) PERFECT PIZZA 68TH AND KILLINGSWORTH ON SUNDAY MAY 10TH AFTER THE COLUMBIA RIVER Chapter MEETING ABOUT 12:30</p>	<p>REMEMBER TO VOTE AND SPEAK UP ABOUT YOUR RIGHTS! YOU KNOW WHAT I MEAN!</p>

ATTENTION ALL FAITHFUL READERS: The classified ads are for personal items only. If you have a business or service, please be honest enough to place a commercial ad with the NEWSLETTER. Page two (2) has all the info you need to place an ad that sells. I have enjoyed seeing all that there is to sell. Thank you!

ATTN: Members

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

Revised: March 1997

ABATE PRODUCTS ORDER FORM - PRICE LIST

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

ABATE PINS

_____	ALAN	ABATE Anniversary Pin.....	4.00	_____
_____	ALPIG	ABATE Logo Pin - gold.....	5.00	_____
_____	ALPIS	ABATE Logo Pin - silver.....	5.00	_____
_____	AEPIB	ABATE Eagle Pin - large, silver.....	5.00	_____
_____	AEPIG	ABATE Eagle Pin - large, gold.....	5.00	_____
_____	AWP	ABATE Wing Pin - silver.....	5.00	_____
_____	AWPG	ABATE Wing Pin - gold.....	5.00	_____
_____	ASP	ABATE Supporter Pin.....	4.00	_____
_____	AUWP	ABATE Uplifted Wing Pin - 5 color.....	4.00	_____
_____	ALOP	ABATE Oval Logo Pin - black/gold.....	4.00	_____
_____	AFP	Fossil Pin.....	3.75	_____
_____	A#1P	ABATE #1 Pin - small, 3 color.....	2.25	_____
_____	ACWP	ABATE Uplifted wing-5 color on White.....	4.00	_____
_____	MUG	ABATE Logo on Mug.....	5.00	_____
_____	A#1ER	Earrings(post or Hoop).....	4.00	_____
_____		Bandana.....	6.00	_____

MISCELLANEOUS

_____	AFRB	ABATE Freedom Of The Road Belt Buckle - pewter.....	15.00	_____
_____	ALH	ABATE Logo Hats - white on black.....	5.00	_____
_____	CW	Screw The Helmet pin.....	3.00	_____

ABATE T-SHIRTS

_____	AFRTS	ABATE T-shirts.....	10.00	_____
		Sm. _____ Med. _____ Lg. _____ X-Lg. _____		
_____	AFRTL	ABATE Sweatshirts.....	17.50-20.00	_____
		Sm. _____ Med. _____ Lg. _____ X-Lg. _____		
		NOTE: Assorted Colors.....X-Lg. and LARGER add \$2.00 Chapter Logo setup		
		fee with each order (One time charge).....	9.50	
		(In order to be able to obtain shirts at this price, orders must be a minimum of 12 shirts or more.)		

QTY.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	PRICE	TOTAL
SPECIAL ORDER ITEMS				
_____	ANG	Year Bars (indicate year _____ - 1982 thru 1993 available.....)	1.50	_____
_____	CLOTH	Year Bars (indicate year _____) Small.....	1.00	_____
_____	CLOTH	Year Bars (indicate year _____) Large.....	1.50	_____
_____		License Plate Frames - Cars w/Let Those Who Ride Decide.....	5.00	_____
_____		License Plate Frames - Motorcycles w/Let Those Who Ride Decide.....	5.00	_____
	SUBTOTAL		_____
	Shipping Charge			_____
	UNDER \$25.00=\$5.00			_____
	\$25.01-\$100.00=\$6.00			_____
	T-SHIRTS =-\$8.00			_____
	SHIPPING CHARGE		_____
			TOTAL _____

ABATE PRODUCTS
P.O. Box 4504
Portland, Oregon 97208
Angle Jensen, Products Director
PHONE: 503-285-4329 FAX 503-286-5830

PREPAID _____ DATE _____

NAME _____

PHONE NUMBER _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____

STATE _____

ZIP CODE _____

Please use street address
we ship UPS where ever possible.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ORDER!!



PRESS RELEASE FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
Monday, April 6, 1998

MINNESOTA APPROVES FIRST-EVER MOTORCYCLIST ANTI-DISCRIMINATION LEGISLATION

On Monday, April 6, 1998, Minnesota Governor Arne Carlson signed pioneering legislation to prohibit discrimination against motorcyclists, becoming the first state in the nation to make it illegal for any place of public accommodation to restrict access to motorcyclists simply because of their chosen mode of transportation or group affiliation.

According to Bob Illingworth, lobbyist for Minnesota's motorcycle rights organizations, "This is the first legislation passed in our nation that ends over 40 years of discriminatory tactics used by some businesses in their attempt to bar admission to our motorcycling citizens. And, once and for all puts to rest the stereotype image presented in the 1957 Marlon Brando movie 'The Wild Ones.'"

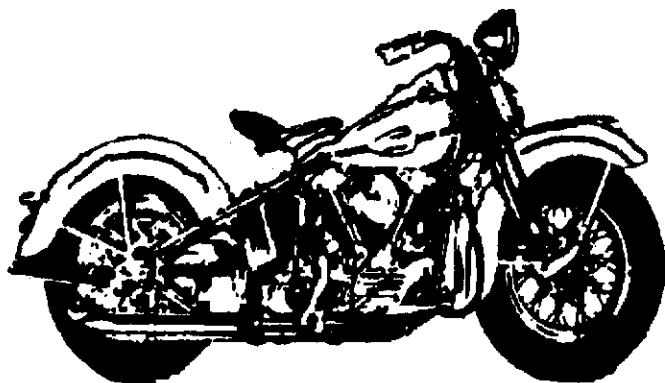
While every state has laws to protect against discriminatory actions based on race, creed, religion, gender, etc., and such discrimination is prohibited by the United States Constitution, Minnesota has set the precedent for including motorcyclists as a protected class of citizens.

Several states have introduced similar legislation to include anti-discrimination protections for style of dress, mode of transportation or club insignia, but Minnesota's new law specifies motorcyclists and can serve as model legislation for other states to follow. It states: "A place of public accommodation may not restrict access, admission, or usage to a person solely because the person operates a motorcycle or is wearing clothing that displays the name of an organization or association."

Illingworth summed up the victory by saying, "Although this is a great win for all motorcyclists, in Minnesota and throughout the country, it is indeed sad that we have to have a law passed to guarantee that those who ride motorcycles have the same rights as any other citizen."

For further information contact:

Bob Illingworth
Executive Director
612-541-1704
1-800-541-1704
MMRA1@aol.com



While watching one of those morning news shows today I saw an interview with a lawyer named Bobby McDaniel. He is an attorney for one of the Jonesboro, Arkansas victims' family. They are suing the gun manufacturers of the weapons that were used in that shooting. Obviously for money to help with the families grieving AND to get the manufacturer's to begin including Trigger Locks with their guns at the manufacturer's expense! He said, "Trigger locks should be included with all guns at the manufacturer's expense just like auto companies have to include seatbelts with the cars that they sell." So anyone who has had a wreck on their scooter and wasn't wearing a helmet should sue the motorcycle manufacturer for not providing one with their scooter using that logic (or lack there of).

I find this interesting because he is comparing it to another Freedom of Choice that has been taken away from us (whether or not we want to use seatbelts for our own safety). It is true that they are gonna take every little thing they can from us and force manufacturer's of things that they don't like to go out of business by passing laws that cost them money and in turn cost us money until we can no longer afford to buy that product, then it goes away - with the exception of the police and criminals still having access to them.

I have been reading all the MRO stuff that everyone is sending my way and I still haven't made a decision of how I feel about states giving in on the Insurance thing in order to go lidless (I know that since I moved down here to Texas I really enjoy riding without a helmet and don't ever look forward to having to wear one again especially on visits to P.A.) but just by listening to McDaniel use the fact that auto mfr.'s (who have nothing to do with guns) have to include a safety device to make sense of forcing gun mfr.'s to include a trigger lock shows how the a*&es will use any comparison to get what they want. For example: Saying that they won't even consider repeal unless an Insurance limit is met cuz they have seen other states do it.

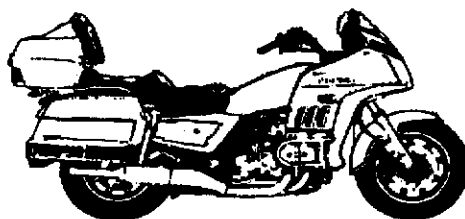
McDaniel also said, "People always say that guns don't kill people, people kill people! Tell that to the parents of the kids with the bullet in them. Obviously it took a gun to put it there." The funny part is that if those kids were smart enough (not in a good way) and took the time to plan that Jonesboro thing out I am sure they could have gotten around a couple of Trigger Locks or just got the weapons somewhere else. So it makes the whole lawsuit and idea, stupid as all hell.

Once again, I haven't made up my mind on this issue and just wanted to let you know about the interview that I saw. There are a lot of us out here that appreciate all the hard work that you have been doing. Thanks.

FREEDOM ISN'T FREE!

(Every town has a Monument with a list of names that have paid for it)

Paul (Zep) Stauffer
Brotherhood of Bikers (Probationary)
A.B.A.T.E. of PA
ICQ#1879326



"I was taking allergy medicine."

"I was sleepy, very sleepy. Plus, I was very dazed by the accident."

"Plus, how am I supposed to walk a straight line with my recurrent knee injury."

"Plus, I'm overweight. I put on a lot of weight in the off-season and it makes me unstable."

"The police arrested me to cover up their own negligence."

- All of the above are reasons given by Boston Red Sox outfielder Mo Vaughn for crashing his pickup truck into an abandoned car that thousands of other motorists had driven by without incident. Vaughn failed eight sobriety tests and refused to take a Breathalyzer when he was arrested for drunken driving. When asked to recite the alphabet, he couldn't get past the letter "P".

Vaughn quotes are from Dick Reilly column in "Sports Illustrated".

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April 6, 1998

TO: Members of the Senate

Dear Friends:

A substantial amount of correspondence & e-mail has been recently generated by concerned citizens regarding the unfortunate traffic incident in York County involving Pennsylvania State Trooper Gerald Devlin and Maryland motorcyclist Ken Fowler. While it may be easy to sympathize with motorcyclists' general concern in this situation (sic), the Alliance of Bikers Aimed Towards Education, Inc., (A.B.A.T.E. of PA) is in favor of taking the prudent course of action and is awaiting the results of the formal investigation.

A.B.A.T.E. of PA has taken no official position in regard to this incident and in the words of Senator Harold F. Mowery, Jr., while it is tragic, the only thing we can do is wait for the outcome of the investigation. Officers of A.B.A.T.E. of PA have urged their members to exercise restraint in reacting to this incident, and in no way do they wish to prematurely judge Trooper Devlin's sense of responsibility or his capabilities. It is a situation (sic) with tragic consequences for all concerned.

While A.B.A.T.E. of PA remains keenly aware of and interested in the developments of this case, please be assured that, as an organization, we have no desire to inflame the rhetoric, which is currently being generated. Many of our members understand the day-to-day tensions which today's society generates and our only overriding goal is to see justice done and fair treatment applied to all. Thank you.

Regards,

Dan Faingnaert

State Coordinator

A.B.A.T.E. of Pennsylvania

Charles C. Umbenhauer

State Legislative Coordinator

A.B.A.T.E. of Pennsylvania

CC: What they should have written was an apology for any crude and ill advised letters which were sent to the Senators by members like RUDEDOG and perhaps others. How can an organization allegedly representing bikers even HINT that maybe this State Trooper might have been in the right? After 20 years haven't we all learned that the media, for the most part, is hardly ever biker friendly; yet newspaper reports clearly indicate Ken Fowler was whacked head on at or near the

shoulder of his side of the road. What news will come out of the investigation to exonerate the trooper? Was the guy with the expired inspection sticker actually transporting Jimmy Hoffa's body strapped in the passenger's seat so that Devlin was justified in cutting the entire curve? Do you have an office pool going on which automotive malfunction they plan to blame this on? What happened to the speed/skid length formula the police use at every other accident scene to determine speed? Every see the cops come out and try to recreate skid marks? Or is it to cover skid marks? Not only did the above letter from ABATE come in over the transom; but so did at least one confidential statement from a Senator's aide, "We fully expect this incident will be brushed under the carpet." When the broom is out, who you gonna call for help?

So, if you believe in magic, let the issue lie dormant. Sit on your asses and wait for the State Police to finish investigating itself. Maybe, just by some outrageous far-flung chance, Trooper Devlin will, at the very least, be relieved of road duty for life and the state police pursuit policy will be re-written to preclude any more useless fatalities. Here are some numbers for you to call. Invest a couple bucks in making a "wrong" perhaps turn into a "right". Ask what's going on with the investigation. Ask why you can't seem to find the information updates you expected from their organization. Ask what's being done about the pursuit policy. It's not necessary that they know where you're calling from, just that you're very concerned. You could be riding along a country road one day in PA and end up being a headline through no fault of your own. Be passionate, but by all means be polite:

Fox 43 TV - 717-393-0043

WGAL TV 8 - 717-238-8888

WHP TV 21 - 717-234-6397

WITF TV 27 - 717-783-4683

Patriot-News - 717-255-8100

York Daily Record - 717-840-4000

York Dispatch - 717-854-1575

State Police - York - 717-428-1011 FAX: 717-428-2821

State Police Area I HQ - 717-787-7777 FAX: 717-772-6918

State Police Press Secretary - 717-783-5556 FAX: 717-787-2948

York County District Attorney - 717-771-9600

York County Representative Waugh - 717-227-0760

PA ABATE OFFICE - 717-234-3777 FAX: 717-234-8076

PA ABATE STATE COORDINATOR - 412-774-6542 (FAX/PHONE)

PA Dept of Transportation Deputy Secretary for Safety Administration

717-787-5574 FAX: 717-787-5491

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"It is not the critic who counts, not the man who points out how the strong man stumbled or where the doer of deeds could have done better. The credit belongs to the man who is actually in the arena; whose face is marred by dust and sweat and blood; who strives valiantly; who errs and comes short again and again; who knows the great enthusiasms, the great devotions, and spends himself in a worthy cause; who, at the best, knows in the end the triumph of high achievement; and who, at the worst, if he fails, at least fails while daring greatly, so that his place shall never be with those cold and timid souls who know neither victory nor defeat." - President Theodore "Teddy" Roosevelt
They didn't call 'em Roughriders for nothing!

Cowboy

<http://www.freebikers.com/pcom> ☛

Asa Middleton- 1937 to 1998

Asa left us on January 28th, of complications from a stroke, to ride with the big dog in the sky. He will be sorely missed by all his family, friends, and riding buddies. Asa was a long time, active member of the North Coast Chapter, frequented State Board meetings, and loved to go to Runs. One year he attempted to go to every run held in the Pacific Northwest, with either Crazy Steve, Rotten Roger, or myself. He was always supportive of ABATE, and other MRO's, at the chapter and State levels, and often unselfishly gave when no others had. Ride free Brother.

North Coast Chapter is proud to be offering, for a donation, "In Memory Of Asa" patches, for any that wish to remember our friend. Patches are five dollars each, with a dollar from proceeds going to Asa's memorial fund, which is the Knappa High School Girls Basketball Team. Please to send order to North Coast ABATE Chapter, Asa Patch, PO Box 468, Seaside OR 97138. Include a SASE with two postage stamps per patch ordered. Patches will be sent directly.

Thank you
Don Smack

HISTORIAN REPORT

A request came to me from a member of ABATE for a copy of a poem published in the monthly ABATE of Oregon newsletter. He thinks it was in an issue about 1-1/2 years ago and was about a page long concerning Indian rights and life. If anyone can find it please let me know.

A copy of "A letter from Luke, 1975" by Luke Metcalf about the beginnings of ABATE of Oregon, Inc is being given to each Chapter representative at our April State board meeting. If any chapter missed out and would like one please let me know.

Iris Yeager, Historian
ABATE of Oregon

EDUCATION DIRECTOR REPORT

Since my last report I received in the mail from Judd Whitcher, two packets of reports that indicated that on March 12, 1998 he taught a four classes of a total of 105 students in Sam Barlow High School. L. Winchester observed that all the students were interested. From the comments I read from the students; they were indeed. They also got the message to look out for motorcyclists. They liked the presentation.

On the 11th of March, Judd and Debbie May taught 70 students at Gresham High School in Multnomah Co. The teacher's name was Watson; No indication if it was a man or a woman. The teacher commented only "GOOD PRESENTATION". Judd and Debbie have another date set for a repeat class on April 29, 1998. A comment that I picked up from one of the students says 'this class makes us aware of 2

sides of all people, and to know even in cars or other vehicles, we are all still people'.

Comments like this touch me deeply and make me want to keep on doing the good work of presenting this Awareness Program to as many people as we can. We ARE touching some lives out there, fellow ABATE members, We all need the help of each other to get this message out to the kids and to the public. Get off your butt and contact a school near you.

In Washington County Chapter, Mary Tate is heading up an effort to get some members together for an INSTRUCTOR course in the near future. If you are interested, contact her for possible times and dates. Her phone number is (503) 681-9472.

Mel Yeager
Education Director

PR Director Report

March was a Fossil month. Flyers were faxed out to motorcycle organizations and publications throughout the West. Thanks to Roger and Brenda, we got posters rolled up and mailed out to high profile motorcycle shops up and down the Pacific Coast and Rocky Mountains. Roger also had me fax the state run calendar to the motorcycle media for listing in their calendars. If you don't see our event in your motorcycle magazines, let me know the name of the publication, a fax number, and a contact person if you have it.

A huge chunk of my time has been spent as chair of the Media Guidelines Committee. There will be a separate report submitted which will cover that information. A special "public" thanks to Sam Hochberg, who continues to provide me with substantial contributions in our efforts to produce a fair and protective policy. Additional thanks go to Chris, Teresa, Gordon, and Bob for their participation and contributions.

I'm going to wrap up this up and spend my energy writing a couple of press releases and the committee report instead. So, my lecture this month will be short. Get involved. We need people to regularly attend Town Halls and transportation policy hearings. We need people to become precinct captains and to work on political campaigns. We need posters up on walls and public events. It's all public relations and it's really up to you.

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

ABATE of Oregon, Inc. Officer Descriptions DRAFT Bylaw Changes

11 April 1998

We recommend replacing current bylaw officer descriptions with the following:

WEB SITE EDITOR: Directs and edits the content of ABATE of Oregon's web pages on the Internet.

NEWSLETTER EDITOR: Responsible for providing the official state newsletter for mailing to the general membership.

PUBLIC RELATIONS DIRECTOR: Works to inform members, the public and the media of ABATE of Oregon activities. Also acts as a liaison to the media.

ABATE of Oregon, Inc.

Media Guidelines Report

The committee had a self-imposed deadline for reporting to the State Board at the April meeting and the bulk of the work is done. There will definitely be some additions and some changes. But after looking it over today, I believe that what we have is solid enough go to the chapters for review and discussion. Please note that this report will affect both the state by-laws and officer guidelines but it will also affect Chapter by-laws and officer guidelines.

In my mind there is still vagueness on the issue of "What gets reported to the full Board and what gets reported to Coordinator or PR Director?"

Timeliness and liability are the issues here.

The following Media Guidelines are applicable to all chapter members, chapter officers and state officers:

1) Any ABATE member responsible for providing content to any of ABATE's media outlets, including but not limited to press releases, newsletter editing, newsletter articles, chapter newsletters, e-mail sent on behalf of ABATE or any of its chapters or officers, and any web page publication, shall take reasonable steps to assure that the material published is accurate.

2) Any such article or media publication as described in 1) above, shall be presumed accurate, absent some obvious reason to believe otherwise, if it comes from a source which is regularly relied upon for accurate information. It shall also be presumed that the material submitted does not violate any copyright laws.

3) None of these guidelines should be construed to inhibit the free flow of opinion by, from, and for ABATE members, except as normal editorial considerations of taste, space, and appropriateness for publication may dictate, and which discretion should be vested in the editor of the publication, subject to the authority of the Board and the State Coordinator.

4) Submissions of articles from other sources, such as from ABATE members, or reprints from other ABATE newsletters, should be reviewed for accuracy and potential libel issues, when such articles or links are more than mere opinions of policy. Both the author of any submission has an obligation to make reasonable efforts to insure the accuracy of any facts and the editor's obligation is to review for same, as needed.

5) ABATE of Oregon, Inc. believes that it is in the interest of its members and of motorcycle riders in this state that, as it sees fit, it shall print reasonable criticism of any public official, opinion leader or lawmaker, or of anyone holding him or herself out to the world on any matter of public concern. ABATE requires all members submitting articles for publication with specific factual allegations which might be libelous, to take reasonable steps to insure that the facts alleged are accurate. This policy is not intended to stifle healthy public debate on any issue of importance to motorcyclists, nor of ABATE's members to engage in same, in print or otherwise, particularly as to matters of opinion on public policies. It is intended, however, to encourage responsible fact-checking of any potentially libelous fact intended for publication.

6) The ABATE of Oregon, Inc. newsletter and web site are official publications of ABATE of Oregon, Inc. The views expressed by advertisers, member links or correspondents do not necessarily reflect those of ABATE of Oregon, Inc., nor of

its officers or members, and no warranty, either express or implied, is conveyed by ABATE of Oregon, Inc. regarding advertised products or services. ABATE of Oregon, Inc. reserves the right to edit or refuse advertising.

7) Material appearing in any ABATE of Oregon, Inc. publication will be published as space and time permits. ABATE of Oregon, Inc. also reserves the right to edit or refuse all submissions. Submissions must be relevant to motorcycles, motorcycling or motorcycle riders. Submissions must also be signed or non-anonymous. Newsletter articles, letters, or other materials must be received no later than the 10th of each month preceding publication.

8) All correspondence should be sent to the following address:

ABATE of Oregon, Inc.

P.O. Box 4504

Portland, OR 97208

<http://www.abateoforegon.org/>

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ABATE of Oregon, Inc.

Officer Guidelines

DRAFT Changes

11 April 1998

We recommend replacing current officer guidelines with the following:

MEDIA OFFICER (Newsletter Editor, Web Page Editor and PR Director) GUIDELINES:

Media Officers shall:

1. Perform such duties as assigned by the Coordinator, Executive Board or Board of Directors. Media officers shall also operate in accordance with ABATE bylaws, rules of operation, guidelines, policies and procedures.
2. Have the authority to "speak" publicly on behalf of the organization, for the good of the organization.
3. Involve other media officers when making a potentially controversial decision. An opinion must be sought from at least one other Media Officer or the Coordinator when making these decisions. In accordance with the Media Guidelines, these decisions should be brought to the attention of the Board through the Coordinator, if there are liability concerns.
3. Recommend any additions or changes to the ABATE bylaws, rules of operation, guidelines, policies and procedures, as they relate to organization's media efforts and issues. Media Officers shall also recommend organizational media priorities.
4. Assist other media officers in their efforts to acquire materials for publication. Media Officers will also assist chapter officers in their media efforts.
5. Receive cooperation and support from individual members, chapters, and officers. Media Officers shall also have the authority to establish a committee with the purpose of getting assistance with establishing priorities, projects and other work tasks.
6. Recommend vendors, electronic services, procedures, etc. to the Board for approval. These officers will also be responsible for contracting for services as needed.
7. Meet publishing deadlines.

WEB SITE EDITOR OFFICER GUIDELINES: Web Site Editor (1 person)

The Web Site Editor shall:

A. Have overall responsibility and authority for construction and maintenance of <http://www.abateoforegon.org/> which shall include, at a minimum:

- 1) Minutes from State Board meetings
- 2) A list of chapter contacts and meeting times
- 3) Appropriate hot links for state officers and chapter web sites
- 4) Distinctive "Recommended Motorcycle Links" and "Individual Member Links"

B. Be responsible for the editorial content of <http://www.abateoforegon.org/> and shall report inappropriate literature to the Board.

C. Assist chapters in establishing their own web sites and familiarize them with the media guidelines.

D. Monitor chapter and/or linked web sites and It is expected that the Web Site Editor will clear all web site material with the Coordinator, or if unavailable, the Public Relations Director.

NEWSLETTER EDITOR OFFICER GUIDELINES:

Newsletter Editor (1 person)

The Newsletter Editor shall:

A. Produce a monthly newsletter monthly which shall include, at a minimum:

- 1) Minutes from State Board meetings and chapter highlights as submitted.
- 2) A list of chapter contacts and meeting times
- 3) Appropriate correspondence or information of interest to our members.

B. Report all advertising income to Treasurer for records with list of advertisers.

C. Monitor chapter newsletters and report inappropriate literature to the Board.

PUBLIC RELATIONS DIRECTOR GUIDELINES: Public Relations Director (1 person)

The Public Relations Director shall:

A. Provide and coordinate public relations on behalf of the organization, which includes but is not limited to: public speaking, multi-media productions, press releases and other means of communication.

B. Clear any advanced promotions materials with the Coordinator, or if unavailable, at least one Vice-Coordinator or another Media Officer. All official press releases for local chapters must be cleared through the State PR Director or State Coordinator before release.

C. Responsible for actively promoting the organization and individual contributions by ABATE members, internally, as well to the general public, media sources and other motorcycle organizations.

D. Responsible for tracking public relation products, such as the tri-folds and PSA tapes.

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PRESS RELEASE: Friday, March 13, 1998 (this is not a joke or a hoax)

Per Carroll Williams, Director of Veteran Affairs in Washington D.C. there are four categories of veterans who "DO" need to re-enroll before October 1998 with their VA Hospital in order to have their medical benefits continue. Here are the four categories:

1) If you are a veteran and have NOT incurred a service-connected illness or injury;

2) If you are a veteran and have NOT utilized the services of a VA Hospital since October 1996;

3) If you are a veteran over the age of retirement and your income is less than \$8,000 a year; or

4) If you are a veteran under the age of retirement and your income is less than \$22,000 a year.

The Bill relating to this and passed in Congress is called "Public Law 104-262"

Information will be updated in the VA website today. You may go to: www.VA.gov/health/elig

If you call your local VA Hospital and they tell you differently, then let me know and I will pass the information to Director Williams so he may correct them.

The Seattle, Washington VA Hospital was giving out erroneous information and will be corrected according to Director Williams.

There are seven (7) priority groups who "DO NOT" need to re-enroll. If you would like a copy we would be happy to fax you one. (Please include your fax number with area code.)

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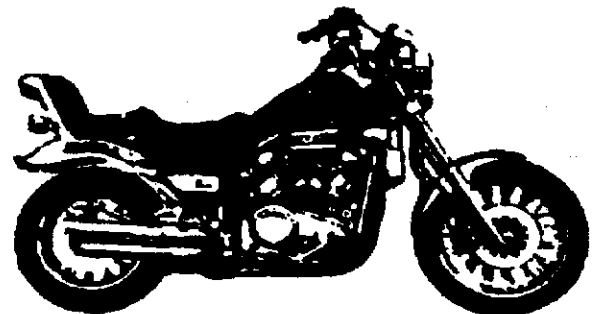
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SUNNY-SIDE up

May is here, along with more sunny riding weather (?). By now, the May Awareness Rally has come and gone, and hopefully brought a good showing of supporters and bikes. I hope you were there to show your commitment to the cause. The calendar seems to be filling up fast, with Mall shows, Rhody and Fossil just about here. Speaking of Fossil, don't forget the biker church service Sunday morning. Also, be listening and watching for something special this year between the bike show and the games at the fair grounds.

It seems that time has really been flying by, with this being the fifth month of 1998 already! I find it hard to believe Christmas is so long ago, and I am reminded that Easter has just passed.

As we look to the Spring, it always seems to be a time of new beginnings... the beginning of our times of riding, eating and swapping stories around the bonfire. Jam reminded of another "new beginning" in a little Biblical insight found in the book of Luke 23:32-43. Here we have Jesus on the cross, but He's not alone there. On each side of him hangs a thief. One of the criminals on a cross began to shout out insults at Jesus; "Aren't you Christ? Then save yourself and us," But the other criminal stopped him and said, "You should fear God? You're getting the same punishment he is. We are punished justly, getting what we deserve for what we did. But this man has done nothing wrong." Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." Jesus said to him, "I tell you the truth, this day you will be with me in paradise."

Here we have a great exchange of humanity. One side shouting at Jesus with insults and unbelief; while the other side speaks in defense of Him, acknowledging Him. The defender's words are spoken in truth, with understanding of all Jesus came to do for each of us. On which side do we hang? Do we shout insults, or do we speak truth and acceptance, believing in Him?

Where is our integrity? And, what if we got what we really deserve? Remember, great love has no man, than that he lay down his life for his brother. Think about it? Maybe it's time for some new beginnings?

Livin' on the Sonny-side,
Don, Chaplain, Douglas County.

People v. Prince,

On April 11, 1997, Prince was arrested and charged with violating California's mandatory motorcycle helmet law. (It took five cops, guns drawn to do it). The helmet Prince was wearing at the time of stop and arrest was a red, white, and blue bandana beanie, complete with 'D O T' label embroidered on it.

Accused Prince disqualified the traffic commissioner, filed an internal affairs complaint against the arresting cop, and filed discovery. This brought into play a Deputy District Attorney (DDA) and a 'real' judge.

Upon arraignment, Prince refused to acknowledge or accept the 'Notice to Appear' as a complaint and demanded a 'verified complaint' be filed by the DDA or the matter dismissed.

Upon receipt of the complaint, Prince refused to enter a plea and choose to demur.

The demur was denied by the court. Trial was scheduled for October 2, 1997.

Trial was held and Prince was found guilty. Prince moved the court to stay imposition of sentence, a \$76.00 fine, until the appeals process was completed.

Prince and the DDA each filed a 'settled statement' with the court. The court ordered both included into the case file and the case referred to Superior Court, Appellate Division (a three-judge panel).

Prince received a briefing schedule from the Appellate Court March 20, 1998.

Prince filed his opening brief March 30, 1998.

The People are to file their opposing brief no later than April 20, 1998.

Prince is to file his closing brief no later than April 30, 1998.

The matter is scheduled for decision May 14, 1998, 4:00P.M. in Department 4 (Santa Cruz, Ca.).

-Folks,

So far, this traffic ticket has consumed 11 months, 2 DDA's, 4 Judges, 2 clerks, 2 bailiffs, 5 cops, plus supporting staff ... and the case will not be decided for another 2 months! All for a \$76.00 traffic ticket (talk about net loss)!

If just 10 percent of the bikers in California would do this, every time, rather than the 10 or 12 of us currently doing this, we would have a much better shot at killing this law.


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ILLINOIS

From Todd Vandermyde, Legislative Coordinator, ABATE of Illinois

(Received March 26, 1998)

At 10:54 on Thursday, the Illinois senate took up SB-1222. The bill is this years attempt to obtain some new funding for the rider ed. program.

The two components of the bill are:

1. Changes funding from \$8 per motorcycle registration to 27% of each motorcycle registration. 27% equals \$8.10, takes effect 1/1/99

2. Puts a \$5 fee on motorcycle endorsements on your DL. takes effect 3/1/99

The bill passed on a vote of 48 yes 1 no 10 not voting. Of the ten, three were absent for being out of town and several other were not in the chamber at the time the bill was called.

The lone no vote came from Senator Link from Lake County.

The bill has moved to the house where it was picked up by Representative Mike Smith. Without our discussing it, two other members had wanted to pick the bill up but we told them of our intentions to have Rep. Smith carry the bill for us.

Today, Friday, the bill was assigned to the house for committee assignment. It should go to the transportation committee. Representative Smith has requested that it be sent there. After talking to members of the committee, it looks like we have enough votes to pass it out of committee - even with it being a fee bill in an election year.

Best guess is that it will come out of rules sometime next week, and we will be before committee - hopefully transportation after they come back from their spring break, April 14th.

During this time chapters should get their members to call their state representatives and let them know that you support this bill. If my discussions with committee members are any indication of what will happen on the floor, then I think we are in good shape. However, a few words of encouragement from the local natives would help.

The Senate successfully passed S. 1173, commonly known as the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act (ISTEA), on March 12th. This is a six-year, \$214.3 billion highway reauthorization bill.

In the past few weeks the AMA has seen the House version, H.R. 2400, gain momentum toward veto-proof passage of the \$218.3 billion transportation bill. The House engaged in floor debate on BESTEA (Building Efficient Surface Transportation and Equity Act) April 1st, the day before its two-week Easter recess.

There are many differences between the House and Senate versions of the bill, which will have to be worked out in the upcoming conference committee. The specific members who will be included in the conference committee have been determined. The importance of the conference committee cannot be overlooked. This is where the major legislative battles and compromises will occur, so it is imperative that we contact as many of the conferees as possible. We need to impress upon the conferees the importance of each of our issues. A brief summary of those issues and our recommendations are as follows:

Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS): Both the House and Senate have included provisions that ensure that further ITS research and development fully consider motorcyclists as an integral part of the traffic mix.

Since the Senate bill doesn't include language that addresses the following two issues, we need to have strong support for the House language, to ensure that these provisions will remain in the final bill.

Motorcycle Access: The House version includes language that states, "No State or political subdivision of a State may restrict the access of motorcycles to any highway or portion of a highway for which Federal-aid highway funds have been utilized for planning, design, construction, or maintenance."

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) Direction: The House version amends Section 402 to include the prevention of accidents (rather than solely the prevention of injuries) as part of NHTSA's strategy to improve highway traffic safety.

NHTSA Lobbying Prohibition: There is strong language in the Senate version of ISTEA, along with a colloquy between Senators Ben Nighthorse Campbell and Carol Moseley-Braun that details the legislative intent of the language. The language that was in two bills on the House side was not included in H.R. 2400; therefore, it is important that we strongly support the Senate language to prohibit NHTSA from lobbying at the state level.

National Recreation Trails Fund Act: Both the House and Senate include similar provisions renaming this Act to the Recreational Trails Program. However, there are some aspects of the Senate bill that are more beneficial than the House bill, such as allowing 80/20 federal matching funds which can reach 95/5 with use of non-Dept. of Transportation (DOT) funds. It also only gives 1% to DOT for administration costs, whereas the House version provides 3% to DOT. The House version is better for motorcyclists than the Senate version in terms of funding though. H.R. 2400 provides \$270 million in funding over six years, whereas the Senate only provides \$131 million over six years.

The AMA, along with the Motorcycle Riders Foundation, have been diligently working to ensure that the motorcycling provisions within these bills remain intact. Its fate depends on constituent contact that only you can provide. Tell your Representative and Senators which language you need them to support and ask for their help in persuading conferees.

The American Motorcyclist Association (AMA) has a new freedom fighter in Washington, DC Edward Moreland, of Arlington, Virginia, has taken over the position of Washington representative with the AMA's Government Relations Department. Moreland, who will work out of the AMA's capital office, has extensive background in federal and state legislative activities. Until recently, he was an executive with a Washington DC-based trade-association-management firm, where he worked closely with a number of federal regulatory agencies and elected officials. In addition to Moreland's extensive legislative experience, he is also a lifelong motorcyclist, active in both road and off-road riding.

In his new position, Moreland will be responsible for monitoring all federal legislation and regulatory action. He takes over the position previously held by Rob Dingman, who had been with the AMA since 1994. "While we were very sorry to see Rob leave," said Robert Rasor, vice president of government relations for the AMA, "we are extremely pleased

to have someone of Ed's experience in Capitol Hill politics to assume this very important position. He is a valuable addition to our government relations team."

The Governor and Legislature of West Virginia have included \$750,000 in a supplementary appropriation for the Hatfield-McCoy Recreation Area in southern West Virginia. The funds, which come from a surplus in lottery profits in the current fiscal year, will be available immediately to continue planning and development of the project.

These funds complement the earlier appropriation of \$6.25 million, lobbied for by the AMA and trail advocates, for the project that will become available after July 1 when the new fiscal year begins. This latest commitment of funds brings the total appropriation to \$7 million.

A bill passed by the legislature in the closing hour of its 1998 session requires the West Virginia Parkways, Economic Development and Tourism Authority to provide the funding for the trails project. Under the bill, the Parkways Authority would pay \$250,000 to the Hatfield-McCoy Regional Recreation Authority in fiscal year 1998 from its available revenue. Upon specified conditions being met, the Parkways Authority would issue up to \$6 million in new revenue bonds for funding projects of the Hatfield-McCoy Authority. Funding through the Parkways Authority was deemed appropriate because the trails project will be located entirely within a 75-mile radius of the West Virginia Turnpike, thus qualifying it as a tourism and economic development project within the interest area of the Parkways Authority.

Hatfield-McCoy Coalition Executive Director Leff Moore noted the many calls and letters from Hatfield-McCoy Trail Scouts and members of the American Motorcyclist Association to the West Virginia governor and legislature that helped win support for the bill.

Kentucky now joins 37 other states that make handicapped license plates available to disabled riders thanks to the efforts AMA member Jerry Amis. House Bill 265 was signed into law by Governor Paul Patton making the plates available to qualified residents. This comes on the heels of last year's administrative decisions which made handicapped stickers available for motorcycles and is added to the choice of personalized and historic plates available to motorcyclists.

Same Road, Different Mode

Getting automobile drivers to pay attention to motorcyclists on the road is no small task. But it's an essential element in promoting motorcycle safety.

That effort has been the driving force behind the AMA MAY campaign-which stands for Motorcyclist Awareness and You. Each spring, the MAY campaign aims to educate car drivers on the need to share the road with motorcyclists.

The AMA has supported local MAY efforts with a variety of materials, including public service announcements and volunteer activity booklets describing ways to promote this awareness effort.

All of this hard work has caught the attention of public officials as well as car drivers. In fact, many states annually designate May as motorcyclist awareness month.

Some of the suggestions are based on activities developed in the past, like washing car windshields at rest stops to remind automobile drivers to look for motorcycles, or putting on shows at shopping malls where educational materials can be distributed to the general public. In addition, there's a highly visible way for concerned motorcyclists to promote the MAY

campaign year round when they drive their cars. It's a bumper sticker produced by the AMA that reminds drivers: "Same Road, Different Mode, Watch for Motorcycles."

"The bumper sticker is a simple yet effective concept," notes Sean Maher, AMA legislative affairs specialist. "Coupled with local efforts, the sticker campaign aims to remind motorists that we are part of the traffic mix, and that they need to be aware that we are on the roads.

"The majority of multi-vehicle motorcycle accidents are caused by automobile drivers," he adds, "and one way to reduce these types of accidents is to raise the awareness of motorists. To some extent, our safety is literally in their hands."

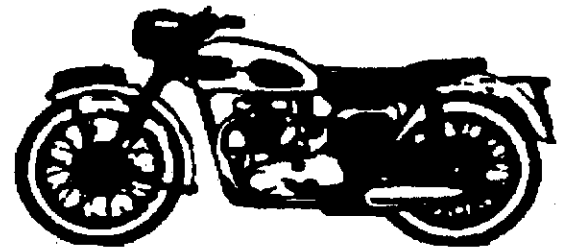
The bumper stickers sell for \$2 each, with discounts available for bulk orders. Orders should be sent with check or money order payable to "AMA Bumper Sticker." Write to: AMA, Dept GRD-B, 33 Collegeview Road, Westerville, OH 43081-1484. For more information, call Sharon Metzger at (614) 891-2425 x252.


A Los Angeles judge has ordered the state of California to repay \$21.5 million in loans that were taken from a fund for off-highway vehicle (OHV) programs more than 15 years ago.

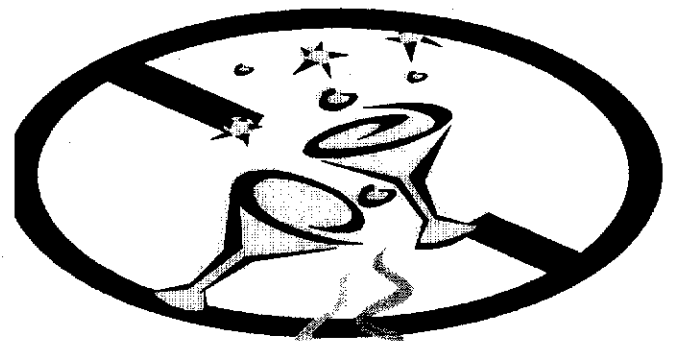
In the years since, a lack of funds stalled efforts to build an OHV park and reduced or delayed some state grants for similar local facilities according to the plaintiffs' attorney.

The Superior Court judge also found that the state Department of Finance had never entered the loans on its books. He ordered the department to register the loans as a debt and the Department of Parks and Recreation to enter them as an asset until the loan is paid back. The lack of bookkeeping suggests the state had no intention of making repayments.

To help balance the state budget, Governor Jerry Brown's administration borrowed \$8 million from the fund in 1982 and Governor George Deukmejian's administration borrowed another \$13.5 million the following year. Records in the case show that the OHV Commission, a panel appointed by the governor to oversee such programs, tried unsuccessfully to have the money repaid.



MAY is here and so is SPRING. Make this month the start of a great riding season! Be kind to the other motorist. 



Greetings, reader

In my continuing efforts to educate the public, I have an analogy to share with you.

The scene is the Washington, DC area (it could be any city in the USA).

On any given work day there are thousands of women who ride the METRO to work in the morning from several outlying areas. In the evening they ride the same train back to their homes.

Let us suppose that there are some bad people out there who prey on and attack only single women at random at a rate of about one or two a week. The victims are being robbed, beaten, battered, and raped, even killed.

In its infinite wisdom the government declares that all single women riding the METRO would be required to purchase, at their own expense, a personal protective device that would make it safer to get back and forth to work. The device would be a medallion, worn on a chain around the neck. It would contain a signaling device that would instantly summon a policeman to their side to protect them in case they were in jeopardy. The device is naturally ugly and it is about six inches across and it weighs about five pounds.

Upon leaving the train station the device may be removed from the neck but must be kept with the person or safely stored till it is again needed. Any single woman caught by any police officer not wearing the device is subject to a fifty dollar fine. Many women will be detained until they can prove that they are indeed married.

Here is the kicker--When the woman feels the need to use the device upon being threatened; 15% of the time a policeman jumps out of the shadows and body-slams the attacker to the floor and puts him under arrest. 70% of the time when the woman is threatened and pushes the button, NOTHING HAPPENS to change the outcome of the attack (she would have been hurt anyway). The other 15% of the time, when the button is pushed, the device gives the woman a massive electrical shock that INJURES HER, CAUSES PARALYSIS, OR CAUSES HER DEATH. The government and the medical profession is VERY aware of these facts, but insists that it is in the women's best interest to wear the thing.

How long would the public put up with such a scheme? Not for a minute!! But, that is exactly what happens when the non-riding public votes a HELMET LAW into being for motorcyclists. Those percentages above are documented by DMV records, Emergency room admittance records, and police reports.

Use this message however you can get the best use of it

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From The GUNNY'S SACK

Motorcycle mystique: Is it the black leather clothing? Do they double as transportation or just come with an enviable attitude? Whatever the reason, motorcycle sales, new and used, are up 43% since 1991 and up 8% in 1996 according to figures available from the latest motorcycle industry analysis. Sales are also at record highs for accessories.

The increase in average earnings may play a part in this phenomenon according to Don J. Brown, an independent market analyst. The latest survey of motorcycle ownership and usage by Burke Marketing Research tells quite a story.

In the 90's the average person under the helmet (or without it, as the case may be) is likely to have attended college, to be thirty something years old, upwardly mobile in terms of income (in excess of \$50,000), a law abiding home owner, and raising a family.

Yup, this is the "Yuppie Biker" age. I say, let's turn them to our advantage. Get to know these people and encourage them to be part of our world because we can use their educated minds when we are fighting the freedom issues that confront us from day to day. They may be riding because of the desire to be a part of our lifestyle on a part time basis, but, they are out there and we have a new resource.

I'd rather have a "yuppie" biker judge decide if I was in the wrong hat than someone that doesn't have the faintest idea who I am, or what I'm about. The biker Banker or Lawyer or Doctor is going to look at us with entirely different eyes than someone who cares less and believes we are all outlaws, and ignorant, greasy fools with a death wish.

The board members of banks and trauma doctors from large hospitals are a lot more believable to the white-shirted legislators we elected than those of us that wear leather. We see proof of that every time the medical profession lies to those hallowed bodies with the time worn falsehood of "Biker Social Monetary Burden."

Lets put the truth in the hands of those new riders and put'em to work on our side rather than cry about their invasion of our turf. They are here to stay, and it just makes good sense to use the resources at hand.

News Bits'n Pieces:

Belgium: TOUR BIKE RIDER WAKE-UP CALL: From FEMA (Federation of European Motorcyclists Association) comes the worrisome news that Motor Trikes are banned in Belgium. There is now even talk of whether bike passengers should wear seat belts! The very thought is of course ridiculous. These are people who clearly know nothing of the vehicle, and are trying to make laws that effect us. This should put us on notice in this country, in particular the touring trike riders on the tour bike conversions that are so popular in our country. Let's keep this junk from spilling over here! Most states register trikes as motorcycles, as well they should.

Las Vegas: Robbie Kneivel does it better than his dad, Evel, well known retired motorcycle daredevil. Robbie recently made the bike jump of his life, successfully flying over thirty hotel limousines. He set a personal distance record of 231 feet. I wouldn't try that at home if I were you. If you miss, it will HHUURRTT!

Jakarta, Indonesia: Over a thousand bikers in leather vests and black boots roared into south Jakarta bearing sacks of rice and sugar, 10 tons of it, for the needy. A spokesman for the "Harley-Davidson Club" said: "We don't have lots of money but we care about the ... people." I guess bikers are pretty much alike wherever we live.

Alabama: From Strider, the Media Director of Alabama ABATE comes the disturbing news that for tax purposes, motorcycles there are classified just like semi trucks, RV's, and other large or commercial vehicles. This results in a 20% ad valorem tax, instead of the 15% tax for all other private

vehicles. Now that's legislative discrimination. We shouldn't stand for this treatment in our FREE country.

Pennsylvania: 39 year-old Ken Fowler lost his life here when a Penn State trooper crossed the center line, while attempting to catch a traffic law violator, and struck Fowler's motorcycle head on. The trooper was put on administrative leave with pay, while the incident is being investigated.

Had this been one of us, we would be in jail and charged with any number of criminal acts. Seems to me the least that should have happened would be to put the trooper on leave without pay, if not jailed. This just sickens me.

To let your feelings be known, write to: Col. Paul J. Evanko, Commissioner, Penn. State Police, 3rd Floor, Dept. Headquarters, 1800 Elmerton Av, Harrisburg, PA 17110. Condolence cards and letters may be sent to Mrs Kenneth Fowler, 3531 Hess Rd., Monkton, MD 21111-2215.

Great Britain: Bikers across the UK lobbied Parliament on April 2nd to highlight the benefits of the "environmentally friendly" motorcycle. The renewed popularity of two-wheeled transportation in the UK points this out without a doubt. More than 93,000 bikes were sold in 1997 alone.

Campaigners also want to emphasize the need for more secure parking spaces. There are around 56,000 bikes, scooters, and mopeds stolen each year countrywide. And, as we all know, two wheelers are frequently overlooked in traffic planning

Monica Dickman, Chairperson of the Motorcycle Industry Association said: "If the integrated transport policy is to achieve its primary objective of encouraging sustainable and efficient transport, greater attention must be given to motorcycles and mopeds."

GET YOUR NEW AIM CARDS: Look for me at the runs and events, or write or e-mail me. We're updating the AIM program with a lost key service, so we're re-signing every AIM member with new, numbered cards. This time, your new card comes with a separate plastic address fob for your bike key chain. If you lose your bike key, AIM guarantees postage back to the AIM office, and then AIM sends your key back to you! AIM is all free, of course.

THE OREGON AIM HOTLINE is back up and running, thanks to the help of Ed Dahl, of the S.E. Portland chapter of ABATE of Oregon. Ed is currently using it to give info on biker events, including runs, for all groups, and he updates it weekly. As we get closer to elections, he'll also use the number to announce BikePAC endorsements. The number in Portland is 972-3434. Toll-free, call 1-888-UR-1-Bike.

On the streets: THE NEW NCOM/AIM NEWSLETTER is out. Pick up a free one at your local shop. If they don't have one, have 'em call me, and we'll get 'em a stack. Or look for the AIM booth at most major runs this summer, and I'll probably be there with one for ya. Take a gander at page five: There's a grinning Sam Hochberg (our Oregon AIM attorney) mug, with a little article about him. 16 pages of articles of interest to bikers.

Gunny again: It's time again for me to set up times to talk with your groups and chapters in Oregon about the AIM (Aid to Injured Motorcyclists) programs, and about the law and motorcycles. I need your schedules so I can come to one of your meetings or events. Sam would enjoy chatting with you about insurance protection and legal issues as well. He has a great time and you all get FREE advice from a lawyer! We are at 224-1106 in Portland, or 1-800-347-1106. You can also send us e-mail at SamBikeLaw@aol.com or

AIMGUNNY@AOL.COM. Gunny's home phone is 503/463-5668.

Keep the round side on the bottom.

Gunny, Oregon AIM Chief of Staff

The following is an open letter to Rep. Floyd Prozanski (D), Eugene who recently responded to my letter of disappointment at his no vote on HB2454 last session. In his letter, the Representative characterized Motorcyclists as "single issue Voters" and suggested that the Voter initiation process and not the Legislature was the more appropriate place to effect our changes. The following letter strongly disagrees with that "advice".

Dear Representative Prozanski,

Thank you very much for taking the time to write a thoughtful response to my letter.

I think that you have incorrectly characterized the type of Citizens Motorcyclists are, while it is true that we do have certain core issues, the motorcycle helmet law is not one of them. Mandatory motorcycle helmet laws are symptomatic of a Government that feels that the people it rules are incapable of making their own decisions. Freedom in America is one of our core issues, Sir.

I did not serve in Vietnam to support my Government's "right" to dictate to me what is, and what is not safety equipment. I served because I believed that people have a basic right to live their lives without undo interference from Government Bureaucrats and Agencies into their everyday activities. I have little regard for Lawmakers who know nothing about my hobbies who presume to dictate to me what I must wear in the manner of so-called "safety equipment. This type of Government is inconsistent with my notion of freedom in America.

Further, it angers me that a lot of my tax dollars are used by Government Bureaucrats to generate false and misleading "facts" about helmet use, helmet safety and about the character and financial responsibility of Motorcyclists such as myself.

If I were a single issue Voter, perhaps taking on the huge expense for a voter initiative to remove the helmet law as you suggested would appeal to me. However, the more that I learn about Candidates who support mandatory helmet laws, the more I realize that they also support a wide variety of other, similarly intrusive Government policies aimed at further eroding the liberties that we Americans once enjoyed.

Being from Portland, I admit to not knowing anything about your voting record beyond HB2454 last session. And, inasmuch as you are running for re-election unopposed, your no vote has obviously not angered any of our Republican Members in the Eugene area enough to cause them to run against you.

I am a firm believer of influencing changes by working within the system. There are several important Portland area races where Motorcyclists are working hard for people we want to see [re]elected and are working ever harder to get rid of Incumbents who proved unfriendly to us in the past. I envision that within the next few sessions, Motorcyclists may become even more directly involved by becoming Candidates for office against people who do not believe in the concept of freedom in America.

I won't try to change your mind about mandatory helmet laws because I am certain you've already heard chapter and verse on

how ineffective they are in a real World situation and how they severely reduce vision, hearing and so on. But I will pass along some other information that may help to dispel other myths you may believe to be fact:

Rep. Frank Shields has made a career out of using taxpayer money to support people who, by their own choice, have elected to use drugs, abuse alcohol and/or live under bridges instead of being productive Citizens like the rest of us. Mr. Shields had the audacity to cite not wanting to use "Taxpayer" dollars to support Motorcyclists who are injured as a result of riding helmetless as the prime reason for voting against mandatory helmet law repeal.

First: Motorcyclists "are" Taxpayers. We are the ones who are paying the bill for the wide array of welfare and social give away programs that the dregs of Oregon Society benefits from. An example is the Oregon Health plan, which I get to pay into but do not get to participate in because I "make too much money"..read that to mean that I have a job. So, instead I get to pay \$187 per Month for health insurance and still find myself being [incorrectly] accused of being a probable uninsured Motorcyclist by the Oregon Health Dept.

Here's the facts: I am a self employed computer engineer. I earn a comfortable income and have been an asset to society all of my life. I have always put money into government programs and have never taken anything out. The notion that as a Biker I am somehow a deadbeat to Society is not only incorrect, it is insulting. The vast majority of Motorcyclists I know are similarly employed.

I own 3 motorcycles, the most expensive one costing \$30,000. The notion that I would be driving around that kind of an investment without insurance is ludicrous. Only someone who knew nothing about motorcycles would even suggest such a thing!

I am a responsible person. I am a homeowner, small business owner and have raised a family and now have Grandchildren of my own. I do not need my Government to be micromanaging my life for me and in fact I resent it's attempts to do so very much. If I thought that motorcycle helmets would be a benefit to me, I would wear them. However, after 35 years of riding experience I have seen what motorcycle helmets can and cannot do and I am convinced that they present far more risk of injury than their potential benefits warrant. And I strongly object to Law makers who know nothing about me, Motorcyclists or motorcycling trying to force me to do something that I know in my heart is unsafe.

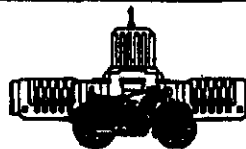
Forcing the other guy to do what you want is not an American ideal. Many Motorcyclists feel that Legislative Candidates who don't understand or agree with this very simple concept have no business being in a role of power within our government and we intend to work hard to remove them.

Thank you very much for your willingness to at least listen to opposing views. I hope that your opinion of Government edict legislation will moderate by the next legislative session. In any case, you can expect to see mandatory helmet law repeal legislation in every session until this outrageous attack on American liberties and freedom of choice is removed.

Respectfully,
 Frank Saxton
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Crash probe cites speed

The state police said the trooper's cruiser was going 58 mph when it collided with a motorcycle.

By TERESA ANN BOECKEL
Daily Record staff

The speed limit at the base of a sharp curve in Codorus Township is 30 mph. But when Trooper Gerald Devlin lost control of his cruiser on the curve last month and struck an oncoming motorcyclist, he was traveling about 58 mph.

The speed of the motorcycle rider: under 45 mph, the posted speed limit for the stretch of road just before the curve.

That was the result of a two-week investigation into the crash that killed motorcyclist Kenneth Saunders Fowler of Monkton, Md.

State police did not release the entire report.

Under the Pennsylvania Motor Vehicle Code, police departments can refuse to furnish a copy of an investigation whenever criminal charges are pending against someone involved in the accident.

Police planned to turn the results of the investigation over to York County District Attorney H. Stanley Rebert Tuesday afternoon. He will review the case and determine if any criminal charges will be filed against Devlin. Those charges could potentially include vehicular homicide and involuntary manslaughter.

State police are still working on an internal investigation into the crash, said Trooper Lucien Southard.

Jessica Fowler Vaughan, Kenneth's sister, said the family was relieved to see in an accident report that the trooper had been driving over the speed limit. They had been worried that state police might not thoroughly and fairly investigate one of its own. It appears they did, she said. Now the family is waiting to see what action, if any, will be taken against Devlin.

"It certainly was reckless," she said. "He really ought to lose his job."

The family is also interested in changing the laws in Pennsylvania. They are gathering numbers to call state legislators.

They have been frustrated that state laws keep investigations and police pursuit policies private.

"I want to know if Pennsylvania troopers are supposed to be chasing people without an inspection sticker," said Gayle Fowler, Kenneth's wife.

Gayle said the pain of her husband's death is hard to handle. She simply takes one day at a time.

"I wouldn't want anyone ever to be in my shoes," she said.

Within the past two weeks, more motorcycle riders have expressed outrage over the crash on Rick Henry's Web site, www.freebikers.com. Henry, of Lititz, has been closely following the investigation.

Some have been eager to blame Devlin. Others have taken a more cautious approach, saying even police make mistakes.

One group, Alliance of Bikers Aimed Towards Education Inc. of Pennsylvania, says it will be waiting for the investigation to be complete before making any statements.

Dan Faingnaert, a state coordinator, said people are making all kinds of allegations and not waiting for the full facts.

"This is only inflaming a volatile situation," he said.

A.B.A.T.E. of PA had written a letter to members of the state senate informing legislators of its position.

A.B.A.T.E. has lobbied legislators to change their point of view regarding motorcyclists.

"...as an organization, we have no desire to inflame the rhetoric which is currently being generated," the letter from the group said. "Many of our members understand the day-to-day tensions which today's society generates and our only overriding goal is to see justice done and fair treatment applied to all."

CC: Anybody agree that 58 mph in a 30 mph zone without lights or sirens in the alleged pursuit of an expired inspection sticker that results in the death of a biker is worthy of a "let's wait & see" attitude?

Not this inflammatory writer.

I went to the scene and talked with the locals. I looked at the police paint on the road, saw where Devlin was coming from, where he lost it, how far he knocked Ken Fowler down the road. The first thing that should happen (after Devlin is fired and prosecuted) is for PennDot to get their asses out there and eliminate that "S" curve. The middle of the "S" is at the top of a blind hill. The shoulders are not the legal 4' minimum width. There are steep banks on both sides of the road. The average driver going through that stretch of road at 30 mph will have difficulty negotiating it.

When one stands beside the road and watches traffic go through the "S", you notice that every other car crosses the center line. Not all the way across into the on-coming lane like Devlin did, but the driver's side wheels hit the double line. This is no little hill. Down shifting is required to negotiate the "S".

If Devlin had just been through there minutes before, he had to know how treacherous this section is. So what the hell was he thinking?

It's obvious to anyone who has been to the sight that he wasn't thinking at all. So the question remains: did they do a B.A.C. or drug test on him? What are they going to do now?

With all due respect, I'm sure if Mr. Faingnaert had seen the crash site (rather than making his statement from 250 miles away) he would conclude Devlin was absolutely wrong. Had he been talking with the family as we were, he would have had enough preliminary information from the state police to conclude that he didn't want to write the letter that was sent to the Pennsylvania Senate in which he stated, "While it may be easy to sympathize with motorcyclists' general concern in this situation....."

Was he suggesting that the Senate should not sympathize with motorcyclists' general concern? Or was he suggesting that they should wait for the investigation to be concluded before they dole out any sympathy to bikers and then only if the cop is found to be in the wrong? None of the above? What exactly was the point of that letter? Allow me to paraphrase:

"Gee whiz, Mr. Senator, please don't get upset with ABATE over the letters and calls you're getting over that accident thing. We had nothing to do with it (HECK, we didn't even know about the accident until those PCOM guys started screaming over that damned Internet) and we want you to remember that we think it just might have been OK for the trooper to run that biker down. . You see, sir, we don't get outraged; even when one of our own gets killed by a police officer who just possibly may have made a little mistake. That should prove to you we are responsible citizens. We sure don't want you to be mad at us when our helmet modification bill comes up for a vote just because some looney fringe out there has made a big deal out

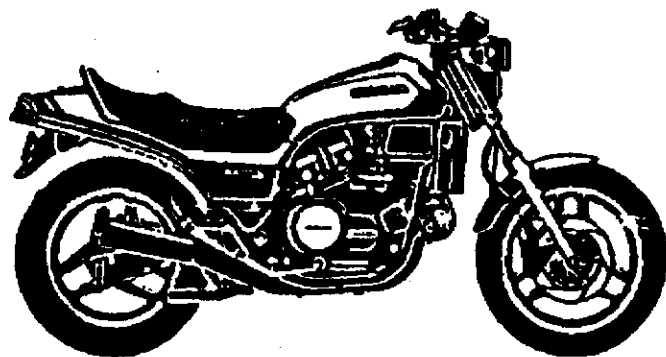
of this. Their call for justice is uncalled for and we understand you don't want to be bothered with something this trivial."

Excuse me while I puke again.

Sorry, Mr. State Coordinator, this ABATE/PCOM/AMA/MRF/BOLT member disagrees. If you learn no other lesson in life, should remember that the squeaky wheel always gets the grease. (I learned that from N.O.W., the N.A.A.C.P. and the Southern Christian Coalition.)

Cowboy

(Editor's note; while we may think that there is nothing going on in the world other than a fight for the right to ride without a helmet, we should be looking at a bit more of the right to be alive and ride safely on public highways and biways. GWH.)



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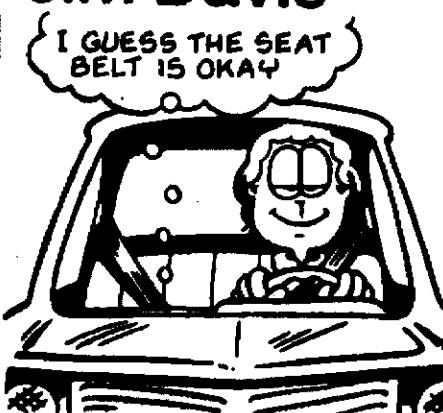
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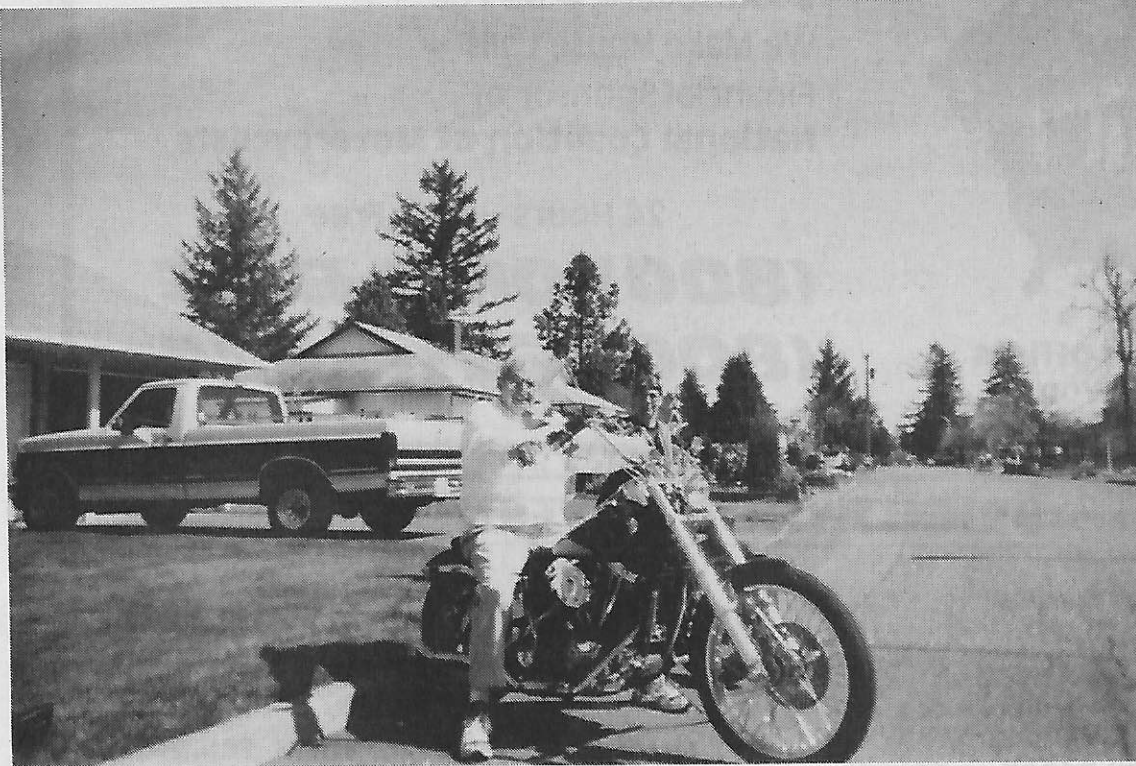
On March 29, 1998, 6 S.E. Portland Chapter members visited Rep. Lonnie Roberts at his home in N.E. Portland. After warmly greeting us, he told me that he'd like to check out my bike. I said, "have a seat" and he did. I could see that he liked the American Iron, as he smiled broadly while looking over the handlebars. In the picture, S.E. Legislative Director, Melinda McCrossen looks on approvingly as Lonnie gets ready to fire it up and take off.

We had a nice visit with Lonnie and his wife Joan. They told us about his plans for the upcoming election and the actions that he will take in his effort to be elected as State Senator for Senatorial District #9.

Before we said goodbye, he gave us some lawn signs to distribute. Kerry "Maddog" Trotter is shown at a location near his home installing a sign.

Jim Niece

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STATE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

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The meeting was called to order at 12:23 PM by Chris Viera, Coordinator. There were 14 chapters in attendance with 13 eligible to vote.

Coordinator's Comments: Great job on getting the Minutes and Newsletter reports in!

Correspondence: AIM insurance tune-up letter, Letter from Janners Kemp, Letter from Anti-prohibition League.

OFFICER'S REPORTS

Legislative Director: MRF press release regarding BESTEA. The BikePAC planning session went well. We were able to identify problems, gather resources to deal with elections and legislation and to begin fundraising to increase the BikePAC products store. Several issues were identified that we may want to work on during the next legislative session.

ABATE's BikePAC Representative: Public Service Announcements went out for the May Awareness Rally

Education Director I: Judd Witcher has been busy, teaching 4 classes with 105 students on March 12. Judd teamed up with Debbie May and taught 70 students on March 11th. Washington County Chapter's Education Director is working to get an Instructor class together. Contact her if you are interested!

Education Director II: Open

Membership Secretary: Not in attendance, report attached

Newsletter Editor: Not in attendance

Products Director: New product in! Antenna Flags. Will look at producing them with the ABATE logo.

PR Director: Fossil Flyers faxed and mailed to Motorcycle Organizations and Publications throughout the West.

Run Coordinator: Fossil Flyers are here, help distribute them! Do you know any places in Northern California that would be a good place to advertise Fossil? Let Roger know. Remember we need you to help with the Gate and Security. This is our big fund-raiser! Help us make it a successful one. The new radios have been purchased, and should be available for us to use at Fossil.

Treasurer: Clark reports balances as of 3/31/98 of Bulk Mail \$1,191.66, Checking \$2,878.46, General Savings \$3,078.19, Legal Savings \$1,572.98, for a grand total \$8,721.29.

Historian: Reprinted "Letter from Luke". Several older photo albums here help me identify the people in the pictures.

Web Page Editor: No response to letter sent by Chris. Position is now vacated. Bob Avery will clean up old information.

Captain reported on the Governor's Advisory Committee for Motorcycle Safety. NHTSA is bringing 5 issues to the State that we hope to have some influence on. #1 Driver's Education Courses. There are no Instructor Certification Standards and no course standardization throughout the State. We hope to model the Driver's Education Courses after Team Oregon. #2 Blood / Alcohol content levels, there is a push to reduce it. #3 Removing Constitutional roadblocks so that sobriety checkpoints could be used. #4 Highway Safety Construction Plan. There is an opening on the Committee. If you are interested in applying for this position, please contact Chris.

Several guests were presented at the meeting, Jim Rice, a candidate for Supreme Court, and Jim Welch, Representative up for re-election.

Phone hookup to Blue Mountain completed.

Committee Reports:

1. Membership Committee: No report
2. Bylaw Committee: A large chunk of Melinda's time has been spent working on this Committee, thanks go to Sam Hochberg, Chris, Teresa, Gordon and Bob for their participation. The report will be presented to the chapters for their input before a final version is written.
3. Sanction Committee: Several events completed the sanctioning process, a couple needed minor changes. We continue to learn as this process goes along.
4. Records Committee: Jill and Iris have begun the task of assembling a complete record of State Board Meeting Minutes. Several past Secretaries have been contacted and copies of their records have been requested.

Unfinished Business:

1. May Awareness Rally: It's coming together great! See you there!
2. August BOD Meeting in Newport: Still working on arranging a larger conference space. Will have more information by next month.
3. June BOD Meeting in Portland: Bricklayer not in attendance, no information transmitted. Motion still tabled.
4. Web Page Editor: Position is now vacated, due to no response to letter sent by Coordinator. No nominees present. If you are interested in this position, please contact Chris Vieira. This position needs to be filled by a capable, responsible person who will help our organization get on-line with updated information.
5. Education II Position: Position is open, no nominees present.

New Business:

1. Confederation of Clubs report: Chris Vieira was invited to attend an initial meeting of Confederation of Clubs. There was much discussion of where ABATE would belong in such a Confederation. Chris will continue to attend these meetings, to continue the exchange of information and ideas, and ABATE's role, if any, will be determined later.
2. Motion made by Ted Tracy "that ABATE of Oregon host the Motorcycle Riders Foundation "Best of the West" conference to be held in 1999. The conference will be April 3rd and 4th, 1999. It would be held in the Portland Metropolitan Area. Seconded by Jim Niece. Discussion included that 1999 will be a legislative year in Oregon, and that we do not want to drain manpower from our legislative efforts to organize this event. Motion Tabled until it can be discussed at the Chapter level, and to gauge participation.
3. Motion made by Tom Orsini to spend up to \$50 to purchase an audio adapter system for the newsletter computer, to enable the newsletter editor to talk to his machine instead of type in the information. -It will type as he talks-. Second by Bruce Coates. Discussion included the fact that this is a voluntary position that requires an extraordinary amount of time and that anything we could do to make the position easier would be good for the organization. Vote: 11 Aye, 1 Nay. Motion carried.
4. Best of the West: Report delayed until next BOD meeting.

Announcements were made and the meeting was adjourned at 5:22 PM.

The next State Board Meeting is scheduled for May 9th, 1998 at Noon in Junction City, Oregon.

Minutes respectfully submitted, Jill Tracy, State Recording Secretary

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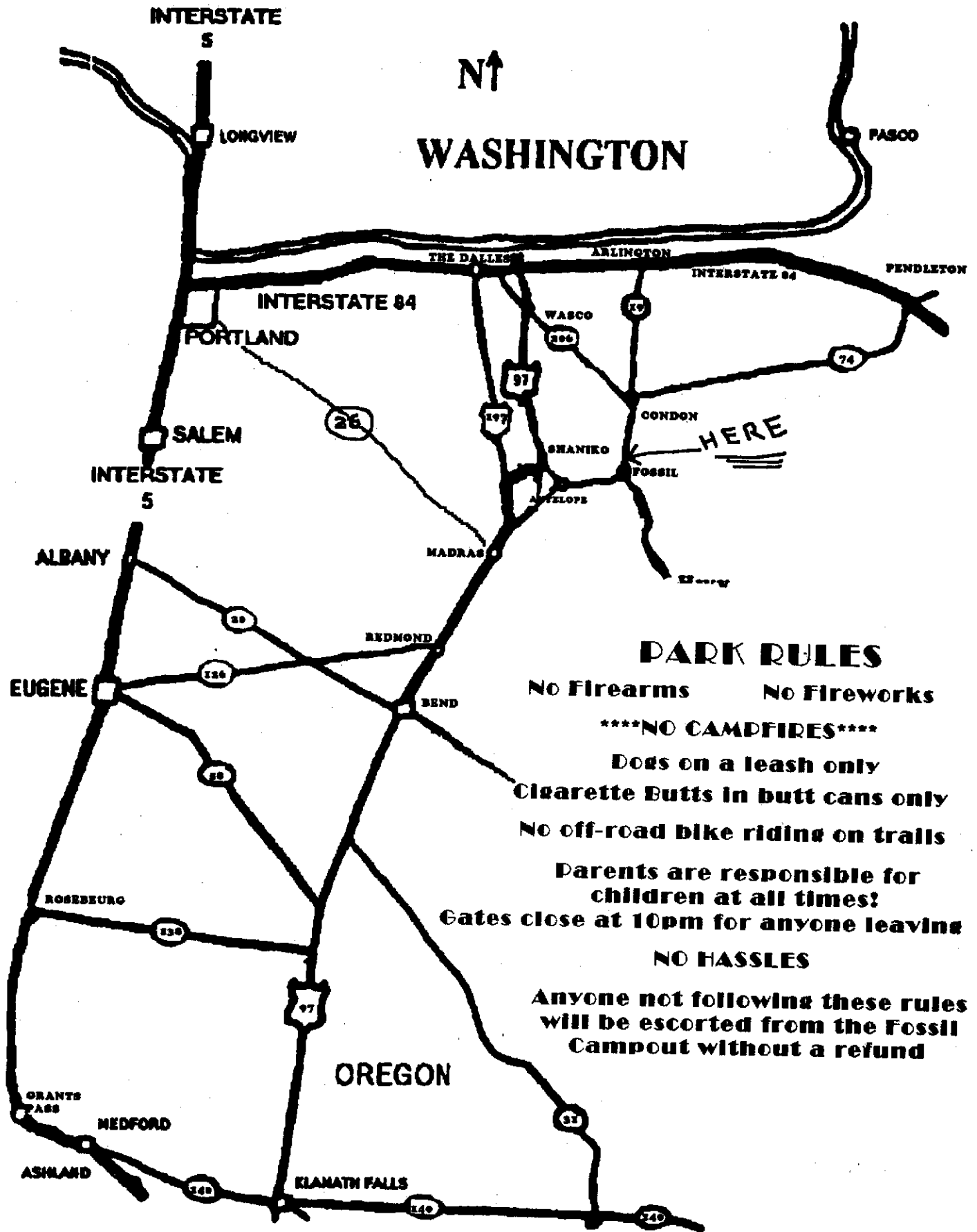
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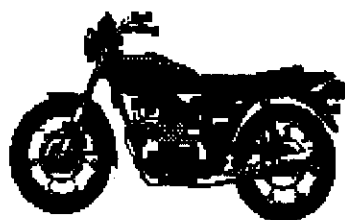
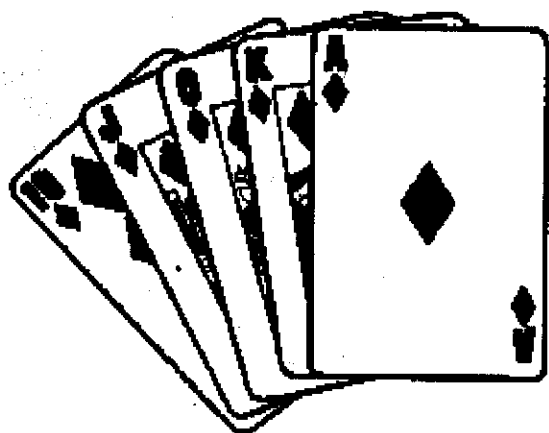
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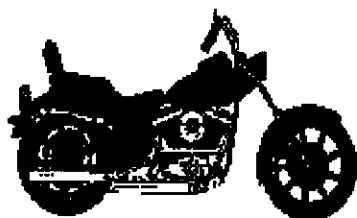


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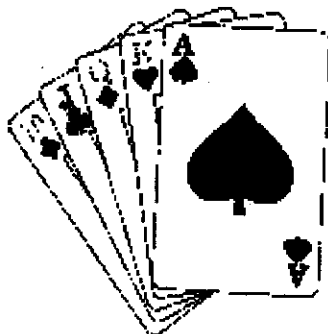


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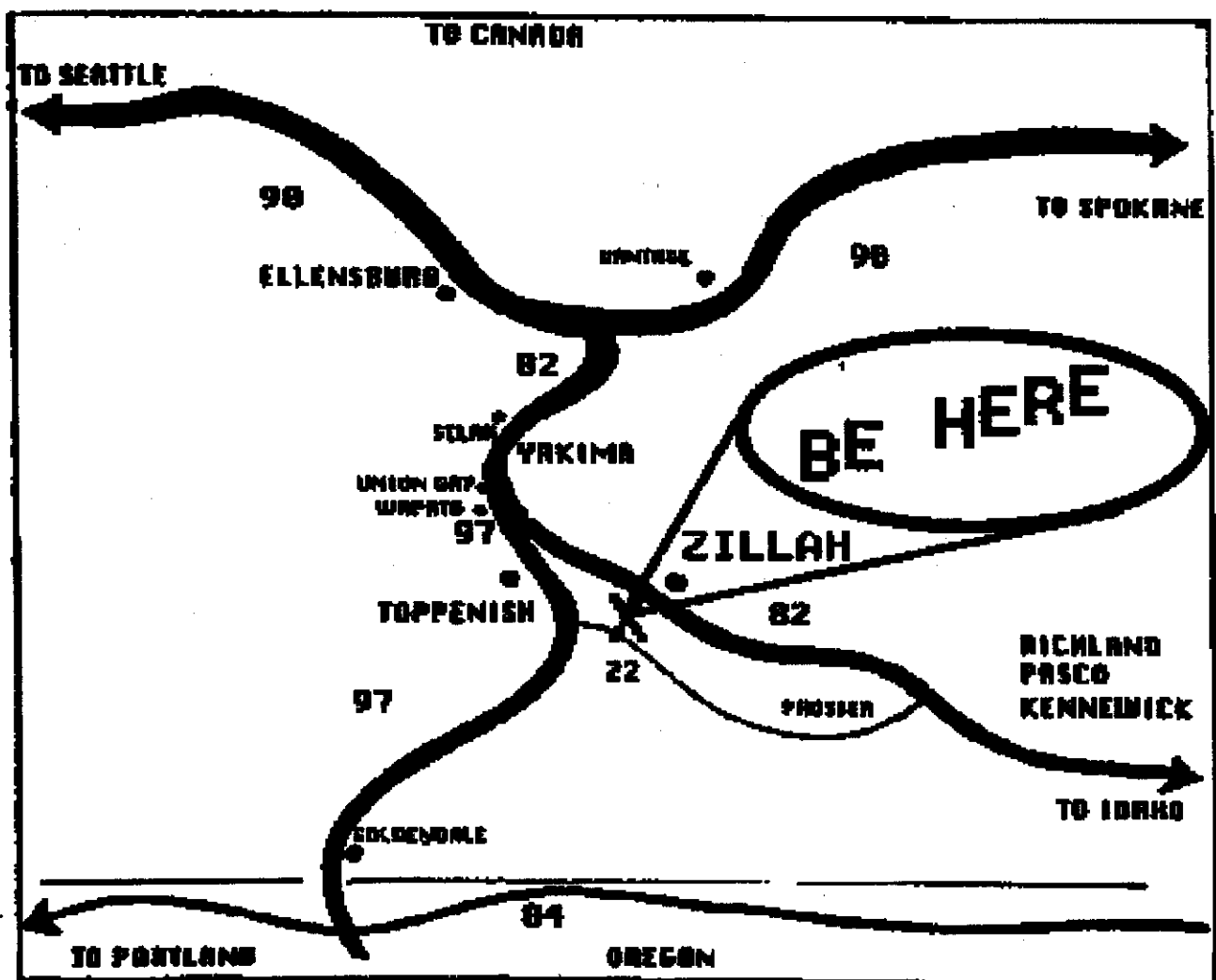
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July 3rd, 4th, and 5th, 1998 in Mackay Idaho

ABATE OF IDAHO

Presents

The 6th
Annual



Mackay Run and
M/C Rodeo

Free Camping
all Weekend!

Vendors Welcome!
Call for Details

Friday July 3rd

(208) 232 9222

8:00 A.M. Iron Butt Run Sign up, Main Street, Mackay

9:00 A.M. 2nd annual Sawtooth Iron Butt Run

\$10.00 - Half Goes to Awards! Buy-Ins at Arco and Belvue.

Call For Details (208) 232-9222

8:00 P.M. Iron Butt Awards at the Mackay Rodeo Grounds

9:00 P.M. Free Concert, Featuring "ANDE CONDA" at the Mackay Rodeo Grounds!

Saturday July 4th

10:00 A.M. Bikini Bike Wash at the Rodeo Grounds

10:00 A.M. Kids Rodeo at the Rodeo Grounds! Call For Details (208) 527-3786

11:30 A.M. Souvenir Group Photo at the Rodeo Grounds / Rodeo Events Sign Up!

12:30 P.M. Mackay Bike Parade, and Grand Entry

1:00 P.M. 6th Annual Mackay M.C. Rodeo

\$6.00 per Person - Kids Under 12 are FREE! Trophies in All Events!

8:00 P.M. Biker Leather & Lace Lingerie Show! at Perks Bar -Mackay

Sunday July 5th

8:00 A.M. - Noon. Biker Breakfast at the Rodeo Grounds

**ABATE OF OREGON, INC.
SOUTH COAST CHAPTER
INVITES YOU TO JOIN US**

May 9th & 10th

**Motorcycle Awareness Month
"The Many Faces of Motorcycling"**

**All types of Motorcycles on Display
Off Road ♦ All Terrain Vehicles ♦ Dual Purpose
Custom ♦ Antique ♦ Touring ♦ Sport**

Special Exhibits By:

**Bay Area Yamaha Honda World Far West Cycle, Inc.
Alan Spjut Insurance Sherm's Cycle Products**

Pony Village Mall

1611 Virginia Ave, North Bend

10:00 AM - 8:00 PM Saturday, May 9

12:00 AM - 6:00 PM, Sunday, May 10

“PLEASE DO NOT CONTACT MALL PERSONNEL”

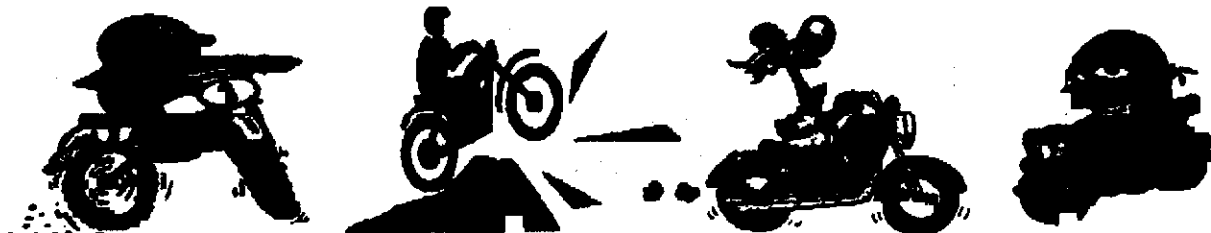
ANY QUESTIONS? PLEASE CALL

Bud Berliner: (541) 267-2523 or

Karen McIntyre: (541) 756-5407

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JULY
17, 18, 19

'98

Coos River run



TICKETS

Members WMRO CARD - \$13.00
ALL OTHERS - \$18.00
14 & Under Free With Paid Adult
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Toward ABATE Membership
(Camping included in Gate Fee)

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**GATES
CLOSED
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South Coast Chapter
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Live Music
Friday Night
Saturday Night

DOOR PRIZES
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FOOD & BEVERAGES
Bike Games

DUCK DRAGS

Kids Games

Vendors

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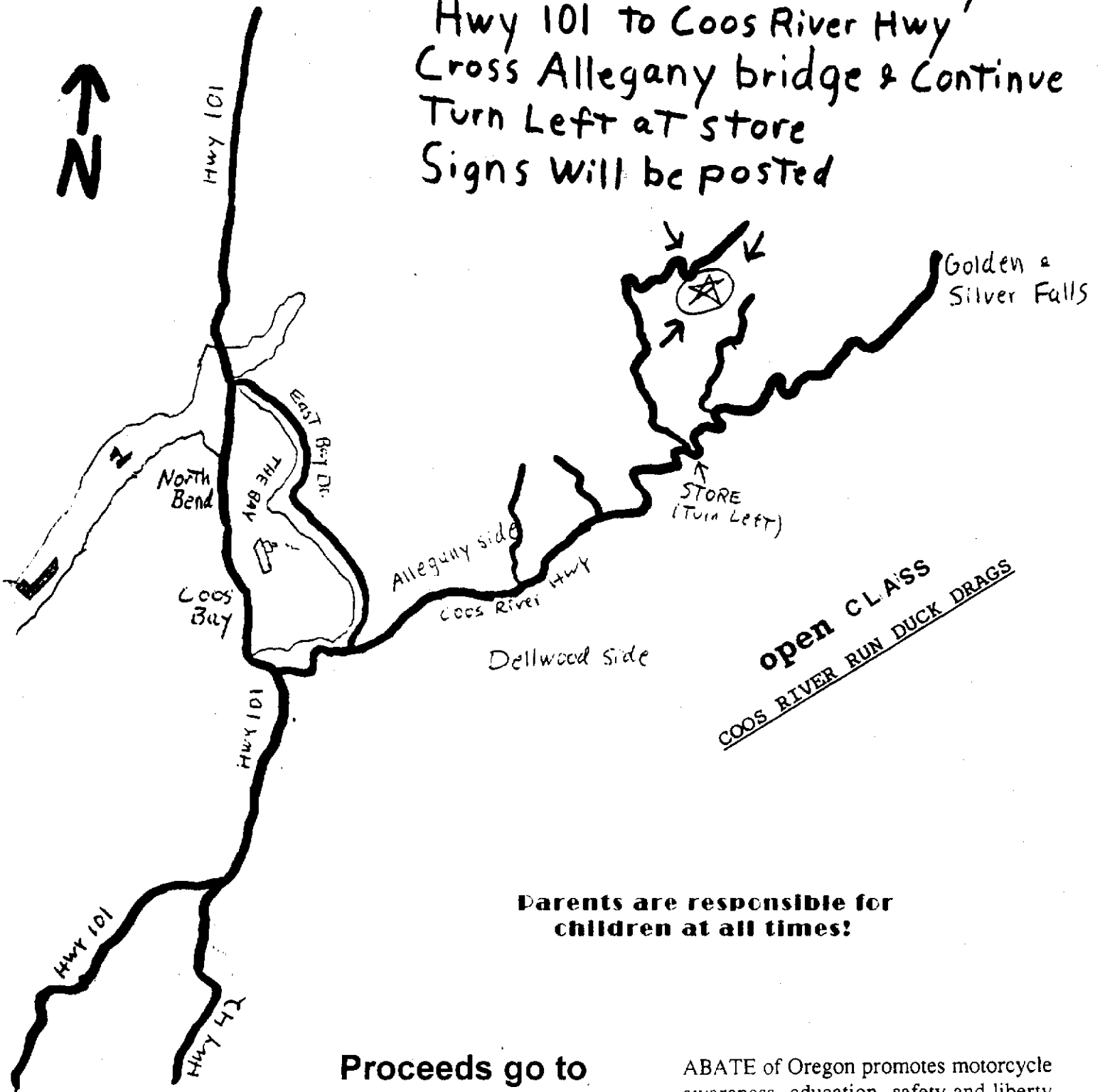
Sherm
541-751-0009 • Fax 541-888-3570
sherm@presys.com
Mary (541) 888-9003
Bud (541) 267-2523

Gates open at 3:00pm on Friday

All bikes - All riders - All NON-riders

Map
On Back

15 Miles East of Coos Bay
 Hwy 101 to Coos River Hwy
 Cross Allegany bridge & Continue
 Turn Left at store
 Signs will be posted



open CLASS
COOS RIVER RUN DUCK DRAGS

Parents are responsible for children at all times!

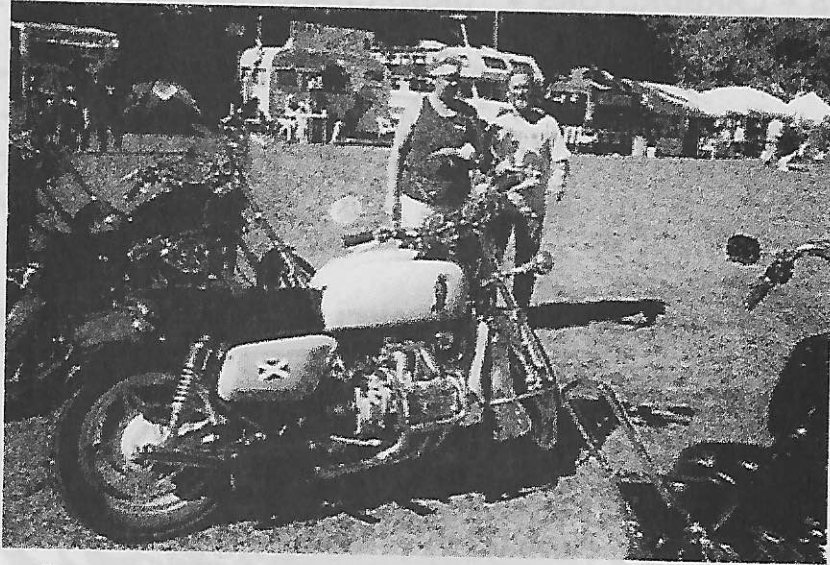
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 & Education**

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LINCOLN COUNTY A.B.A.T.E.

16th ANNUAL BEAVER CREEK RUN



Gary & Vicki of Beaver Creek

AUGUST 7, 8 & 9th

GATE OPENS AT NOON ON FRIDAY

ADVANCE TICKETS

(Deadline is July 15th)

MEMBER \$5

NON-MEMBER \$10

AT GATE

MEMBER \$10

NON-MEMBER \$15

(With \$5 off membership fees)

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***MUSIC, DOOR PRIZES,
GAMES, BEVERAGES,
FOOD, CAMPING and
LOTS OF FUN !!!!!!!***

CREEK RULES

- *NO FIREARMS, FIREWORKS**
- *HOME DOGS ON PROPERTY**
- *YOUR DOGS ON LEASH**
- *PARENTS RESPONSIBLE
FOR KIDS AT ALL TIMES**
- *GATES CLOSE AT 10PM
FOR ANYONE LEAVING
NO ATTITUDES!**

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FOR MORE INFO CALL: DARLENE AT 541-563-6423

KURT AT 541-563-6526

VENDORS CALL: GARY AT 541-563-3520

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OBSESSION MOTORCYCLE SERVICE

COMPLETE ENGINE / TRANSMISSION REBUILDING

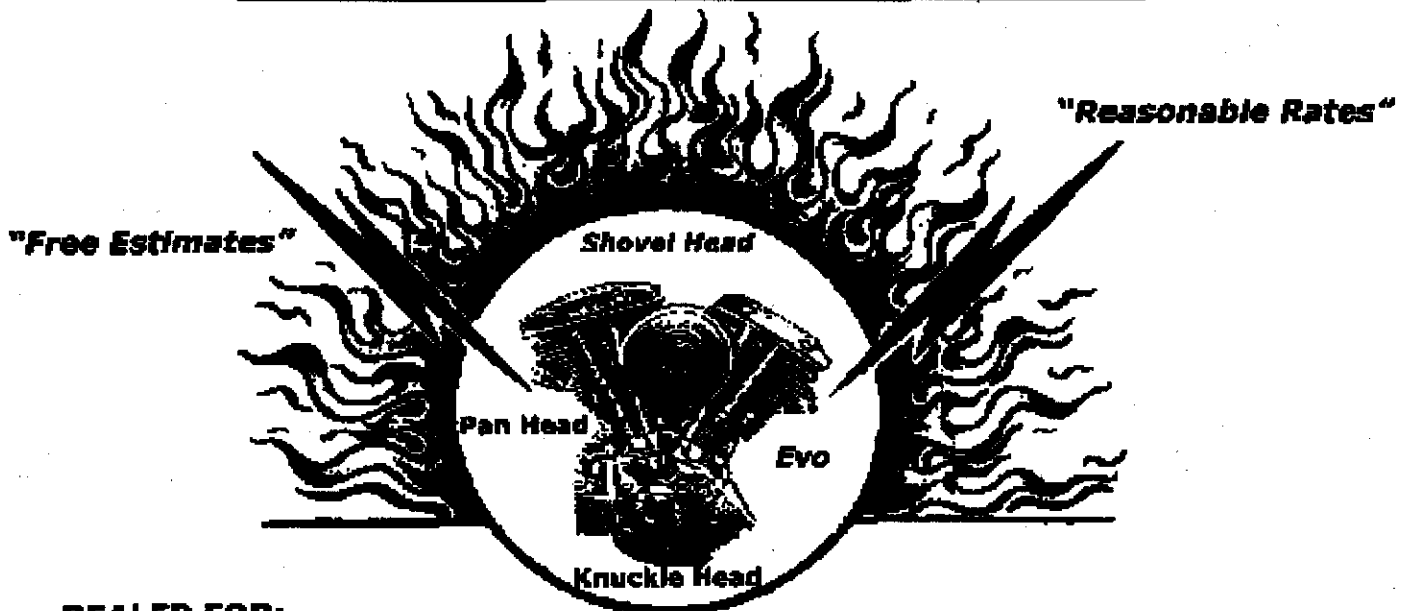
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- * CYLINDER BORING
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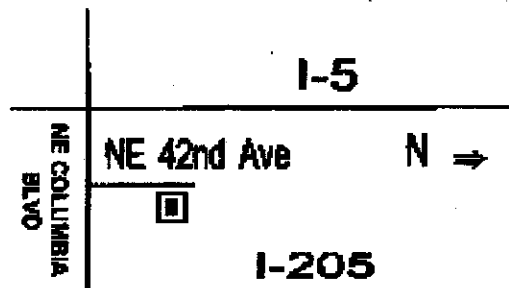
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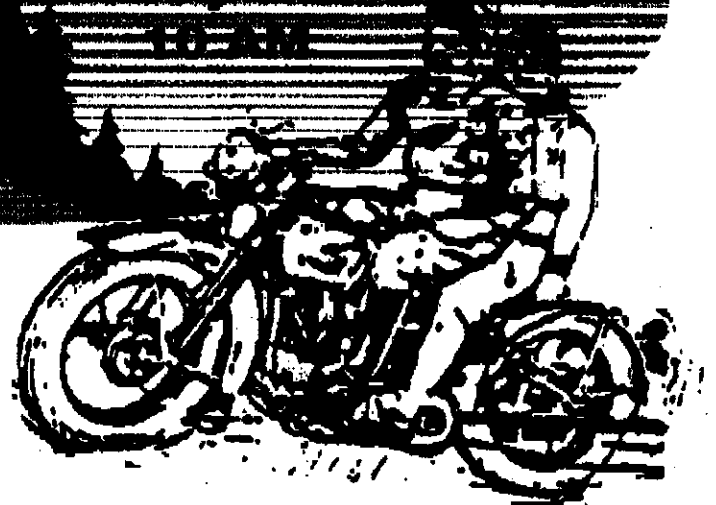
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North Coast Chapter

presents

Around Saddle Mountain Run



**Rain
or
Shine
Let's Ride!**



PRIZES • RAFFLE • 50/50

START-REGISTRATION	SEASIDE —	DEPART 10 AM	ROB'S RESTAURANT 1815 S. Holladay Drive
First Card Draw	14 miles—	ASTORIA	Eagles Lodge, 894 Commercial
Second Card Draw	26 miles—	CLATSKANIE	Colvin's Pub & Grill, 135 Nehalem
Third Card Draw	28 miles—	VERNONIA	Cedar Side Inn, 756 Bridge Street
Fourth Card Draw	30 miles—	ELSIE	Oney's Restaurant & Bar, Hwy 26
Fifth Card Draw—Party Time	22 miles—	SEASIDE	Relief Pitcher, Hwy 101

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BROTHERS and SISTERS

DON'T GET HUNG-UP ON MINOR *%\$#

IT'S NOT WHAT YOU RIDE THAT COUNTS !

BUT HOW YOU RIDE!

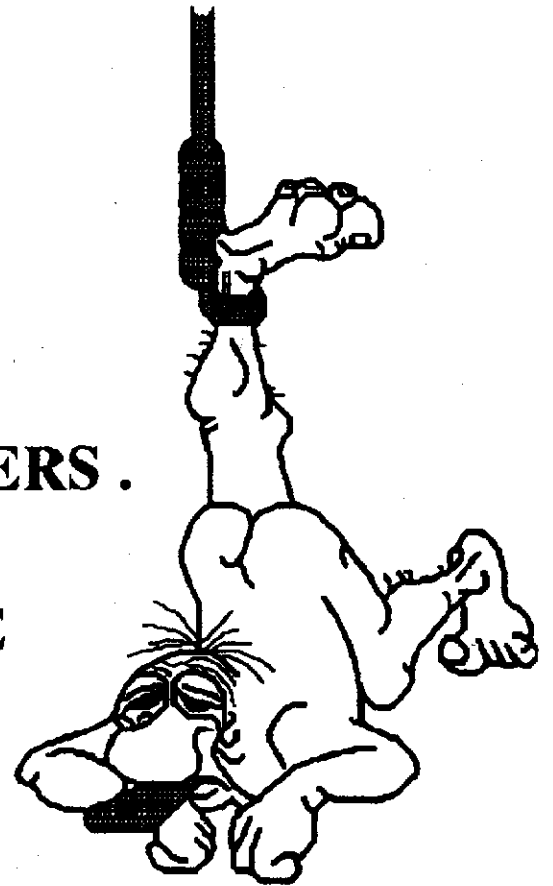
AND HOW YOU TREAT

YOUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS .

A.B.A.T.E. IS FOR EVERYONE

WHO CARES ABOUT

MOTORCYCLING.



**TREAT OTHERS THE WAY YOU WANT THEM
TO TREAT YOU, BUT DO IT FIRST!**

**Created by Walt Allegar
Salem Chapter**

1998 RUN CALENDAR

MAY

1- Aug. 31	State of Jefferson Tour	Tom Orsini 541-479-8635
2	MAY AWARENESS RALLY	TERESA 541-298-1317
3	South Coast Sunday ride	Bud 541-267-2523
9	OREGON 500	Rose City m/c JOHN 503-641-4734
9	South Coast Mall Show	Bud 541-267-2523
16-17	Rhododendron Run Festival	Florence, Oregon
16	OMRRA practice/ Novice school	Janice Logan 503-221-1487
17	OMRRA Racing	Janice Logan 503-221-1487
17	MT. SCOTT OFF ROAD EVENT	MIKE 503-659-7213
22-25	FOSSIL CAMPOUT	ROGER 503-285-4329
31	Southern Or. Spring Poker Run	Tom Orsini 541-479-8635

JUNE

5-7	North Idaho Spring Opener	Steve 509-922-8361
7	Central Oregon Chapter Swap Meet	Jay 541-389-6773
6-7	WESTERN STATES 1000	JOHN 503-641-4734
13	Starlight Tour	Dale 503-234-5266
13-14	MT. SCOTT OFF ROAD EVENT	MIKE 503-659-7213
18-20	<i>Thurs, Fri, Sat</i> Spring Opener ABATE OF WASHINGTON	Jay 509-894-4871
27-28	<i>Sat, Sun</i> Run to the Sun	Angie 503-285-4329 Columbia River Chapter
27-28	Lawman 1000	
28	OMRRA Racing and Harley DAY	Janice Logan 503-221-1487

July

5	South Coast Sunday ride	Bud 541-267-2523
12	Poker run SALEM HOG	Walkers Cycle 503-363-0634
12	AMA NATIONAL Poker run	mike 503-362-9855
17-19	Coos River Run	Bud 541-267-2523 South Coast Chapter
18	Southern Or Summer Poker Run	Tom Orsini 541-479-8635
17-19	Cowchip Boogie Cowlitz Co. ABATE	Argy 360-577-7905
17-19	OMRRA Practice/race/PRO race	Janice Logan 503-221-1487
18	fun run District 28 AMA	503-538-0979
19	Poker run ROSE CITY HOG	503-281-7798
25-26	Central Oregon Poker Run	Jay 541-389-6773

August

2	South Coast Sunday ride	Bud 541-267-2523
2	Washugal Nationals	ken 360-837-3975
2	Mt Scott ROAD Event	MIKE 503-659-7213

3-9	Sturgi	
7-9	Beaver Creek	Lincoln County 541-563-3520
14-16	Summer Run	ne se col. river chapters Angie 503-285-4329
20-23	Ore state hog rally	Charlie Ray 503-648-6760
22-23	OMRRA Practice/race & Italian DAY	Janice Logan 503-221-1487
September		
4-7	Chiloquin Motorcycle Rally	Roger 503-285-4329
5-7	Poker run/campout	Sunset hog 503-643-7111
13	Show & Shine	Bud 541-267-2523
18-20	End of summer run	Wa Co Ted 503-640-5766
18	OMRRA Practice & Novice school	Janice Logan 503-221-1487
19	OMRRA VINTAGE DAY	Janice Logan 503-221-1487
20	OMRRA RACING	Janice Logan 503-221-1487
27	March of dimes	Kathy 503-222-9434
27	Dj Swap meet	
October		
4	South Coast Sunday ride	Bud 541-267-2523
4	OMRRA Racing	Janice Logan 503-221-1487
11	Mt Scott Grand Prix(PIR)	MIKE 503-659-7213
November		
8	District 28 Calendar meeting	Butch 503-538-0979
21	Washington county toy run	Ted 503-640-5766
28	Vancouver Hog Teddy bear run	
December		
5	Shriner toy run	

January 1, 1998 Polar Bear Run Trinity Road Riders Dale 234-5266



THE BILL OF RIGHTS

Article I

Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or of the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances.

Article II

A well regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed.

Article III

No Soldier shall, in time of peace be quartered in any house, without the consent of the Owner, nor in time of war, but in a manner to be prescribed by law.

Article IV

The right of the people to be secure in their persons, houses, papers, and effects, against unreasonable searches and seizures, shall not be violated, and no Warrant shall issue, but upon probable cause, supported by Oath or affirmation, and particularly describing the place to be searched, and the persons or things to be seized.

Article V

No person shall be held to answer for a capital, or otherwise infamous crime, unless on a presentment or indictment of a Grand Jury, except in cases arising in the land or naval forces, or in the Militia, when in actual service in time of War or public danger; nor shall any person be subject for the same offence to be twice put in jeopardy of life or limb; nor shall he compelled in any criminal case to be a witness against himself, nor be deprived of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law; nor shall private property be taken for public use without just compensation.

Article VI

In all criminal prosecutions, the accused shall enjoy the right to a speedy and public trial, by an impartial jury of the State and district wherein the crime shall have been committed, which district shall have been previously ascertained by law, and to be informed of the nature and cause of the accusation; to be confronted with the witnesses against him; to have compulsory process for obtaining witnesses in his favor, and to have the assistance of Counsel for his defence.

Article VII

In suits at common law, where the value in controversy shall exceed twenty dollars, the right of trial by jury shall be preserved, and no fact tried by a jury shall be otherwise re-examined in any Court of the United States, than according to the rules of the common law.

Article VIII

Excessive bail shall not be required, nor excessive fines imposed, nor cruel and unusual punishments inflicted.

Article IX

The enumeration in the Constitution, of certain rights, shall not be construed to deny or disparage others retained by the people.

Article X

The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the States, are reserved to the States respectively, or to the people.

Sanctioned by

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Sponsors

Run to the Sun

June 27th & 28th, 1998

Poker Run

Starts at

8 AM TO 10 AM

Kenton Club

2025 N. Kilpatrick

Portland, Or.

Price \$5.00 per hand

Maps to be passed out

at starting point

Overnighter

AT Haystack Reservoir, Madras

Profits go to Columbia River Chapter

POP & GOOD FOOD

Door Prizes

Ride your bike, car, truck, skateboard,
and airplane just get there!

Good friends



FOR INFORMATION CALL ANGIE 503-285-4329

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A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon ROAD LIST

LEGEND

1 Pickup 2 Tools/Gas 3 Garage/Shelter 4 Photo-Accident
5 Information 6 Meal 7 Location

NAME	PHONE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Randy & Debbie	541-563-2398	X	X	X	X	X	X	Central
Gary & Vicki	541-563-3520	X	X	X	X	X	X	Coastal
John & Brenda	541-444-2708	X	X	X	X	X	X	Region
Rich Rau(R&R Hawg Shop)	541-265-7628	X	X		X	X		Area
Bill Gabrielsen	503-640-9543	X	X					Washington Co.
The Pack Rat Ranch	541-324-8142	X	X	X				Banks, Or
Don & Rose Murry	503-693-6466	X	X	X	X	X	X	Hillsboro, Or.
Bill Ballard	503-640-5461	X	X			X		Hillsboro, Or.
Rocket Motors	503-985-7738	X	X		X	X	X	Gaston, Or.
Terry & Carla Richesin	503-357-0245	X	X			X		Hillsboro, Or.
Ted & Jill Tracy	503-640-5766	X	X	X		X		Hillsboro, Or.
Gordon & Mary Beth	503-253-7343	X	X	X	X	X	X	PTLD
Roger & Angie	503-285-4329	X	X	X	X	X	X	AREA
Crazy Steve	503-282-9434			X				PTLD
Carol W.	503-239-8167			X		X	X	AREA
Davencin	503-284-1729			X	X	X	X	N.E.
Paul & Pam	360-693-3433			X	X			Vancouver,Wa.
Dale & Judy	360-892-1583	X	X	X	X		X	Vancouver, Wa.
Anna & Ron	503-252-5645	X	X	X	X	X	X	S.E.
Glen & Gayle	503-760-7378	X						PTLD
Rusty	503-777-8121		X			X		S.E.
Mavis & Bryan	503-252-1539		X	X	X	X	X	AREA
Jim L.	503-658-2206	X	X				X	Clackamas, Or.
Mike & Delase	541-386-8744	X	X	X	X	X	X	Hood River
Howard Butts	541-534-5411	X	X	X	X	X	X	Summerville
Nic & Gigi	503-394-3456	X	X	X		X	X	Salem
Gunny Hutch	503-463-5668		X	X	X	X	X	Salem/Kaiser
Bob Avery	541-9981933	X	X			X		Junction City
Bill Foster	541-847-6238	X	X	X	X	X	X	Monroe, Or
Jim Singhose	541-942-2971	X	X					Eugene, Or
Tom Carr	541-334-0688		X	X				Eugene, Or
Rick Wadkins	541-484-1855	X	X					Eugene, Or
Pappy Brown	541-485-3550		X	X				Eugene, Or
Sid Ingham	541-342-3303	X	X					Eugene, Or
Greg Coen	541-461-4638	X	X	X	X	X	X	Springfield, Or
Bill Belveal	541-741-0565	X	X					Eugene, Or
Russ & Barb Lax	541-741-2787	X	X			X		Eugene, Or
Tamara&Jay Reynolds	541-536-7691					X		Lapine
Rebecca French & Jay Knoke	541-389-7327		X	X	X	X	X	Bend
Charlie&Vee	541-383-1929	X	X	X	X	X	X	Bend
Jay&TotsySwartz	541-389-6773	X	X	X		X	X	Bend
Brad & Peggy Peterson	541-447-6158	X	X	X	X	X	X	Prineville
Tom & Lorrie Kent	541-923-3334	X	X			X		Redmond, Or.
Tim Rhode(Renegade)	541-858-9796	X	X	X	X	X		Medford, Or.
John Newman	541-573-2076	X	X	X		X	X	Burns, Or
Eric & Sherry	541-367-8689	X	X			X		Sweet Home
Don & Becky	541-679-7729	X	X	X		X		Roseburg
Dave & Joy	541-673-1304	X	X	X		X		Roseburg
Bob & Jennie	541-673-1282	X	X	X		X		Roseburg
Fast Eddie	541-673-6120	X	X	X		X		Roseburg
Tim & Cindy	541-672-3210	X	X	X		X		Roseburg
Bill	541-440-9307	X	X	X		X		Roseburg
Randy & Tina	541-498-2519		X	X		X	X	Idley Park
Pat	541-672-9695	X	X	X		X		Roseburg
Gary	541-459-1861		X			X		Roseburg
Bill	541-672-4886			X		X		Roseburg
Tommy & Sally	541-459-9457		X	X		X		Roseburg
Bill & Mary	541-673-8843		X			X		Roseburg
Bud Berliner	541-267-2523	X	X	X	X	X		South Coast
Randy Christensen	541-269-2998		X	X	X	X	X	Coos Bay
Mary M. Nearpass	541-888-9003			X			X	South Coast
Jeff Bauder	541-756-5407	X	X	X	X	X		South Coast
Rocky Spann	541-396-5831	X	X			X		South Coast
Tom & Sandy	541-479-8635	X	X					Grants Pass
Deby & Gene	541-882-4738	X	X	X	X	X	X	Klamath Falls
Pat Allen(Spanky)	541-479-6838	X	X					Grants Pass
or page me at	541-474-4729							
Jim Broman	541-955-8764	X	X					Grants Pass
Kevin	541-474-8843	X	X	X	X	X	X	Wilderville, Or
Jim Wilson	541-878-8341	X	X					Trail/Shedy Cove
Phil	509-698-4330	X	X	X	X	X	X	Selah, Wa.

HELMET / INFRACTION / STOP REPORT FORM

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

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

NAME: _____ ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____

STATE: _____ ZIP: _____ PHONE: work _____ home _____

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

WHAT HAPPENED WHEN YOU WERE STOPPED?

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

LOCATION: _____

OFFICER NAME: _____ ID NO: _____ POLICE AGENCY _____

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

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

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

COURT LOCATION: city / county: _____

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

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

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

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

If no explain: _____

Did officer treat you fairly and respectfully? YES / NO If no explain:

Was your helmet confiscated? YES / NO Explain: _____

Were you given an explanation on legal or illegal helmets? YES / NO _____

If YES was the explanation? WRITTEN VERBAL BOTH

If verbal, describe: _____

WHAT HAPPENED IN COURT?

Have you gone to court? NO: When is court Date? _____

YES : How did you plead? _____

If you pled guilty what was the fine? \$ _____

If you pled NOT GUILTY, have you gone to trial? _____

NO : When is your court date? _____

YES : What was the verdict ? GUILTY NOT GUILTY

If guilty, what was the sentence? _____

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

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

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

DESCRIBE THE HELMET YOU WERE WEARING

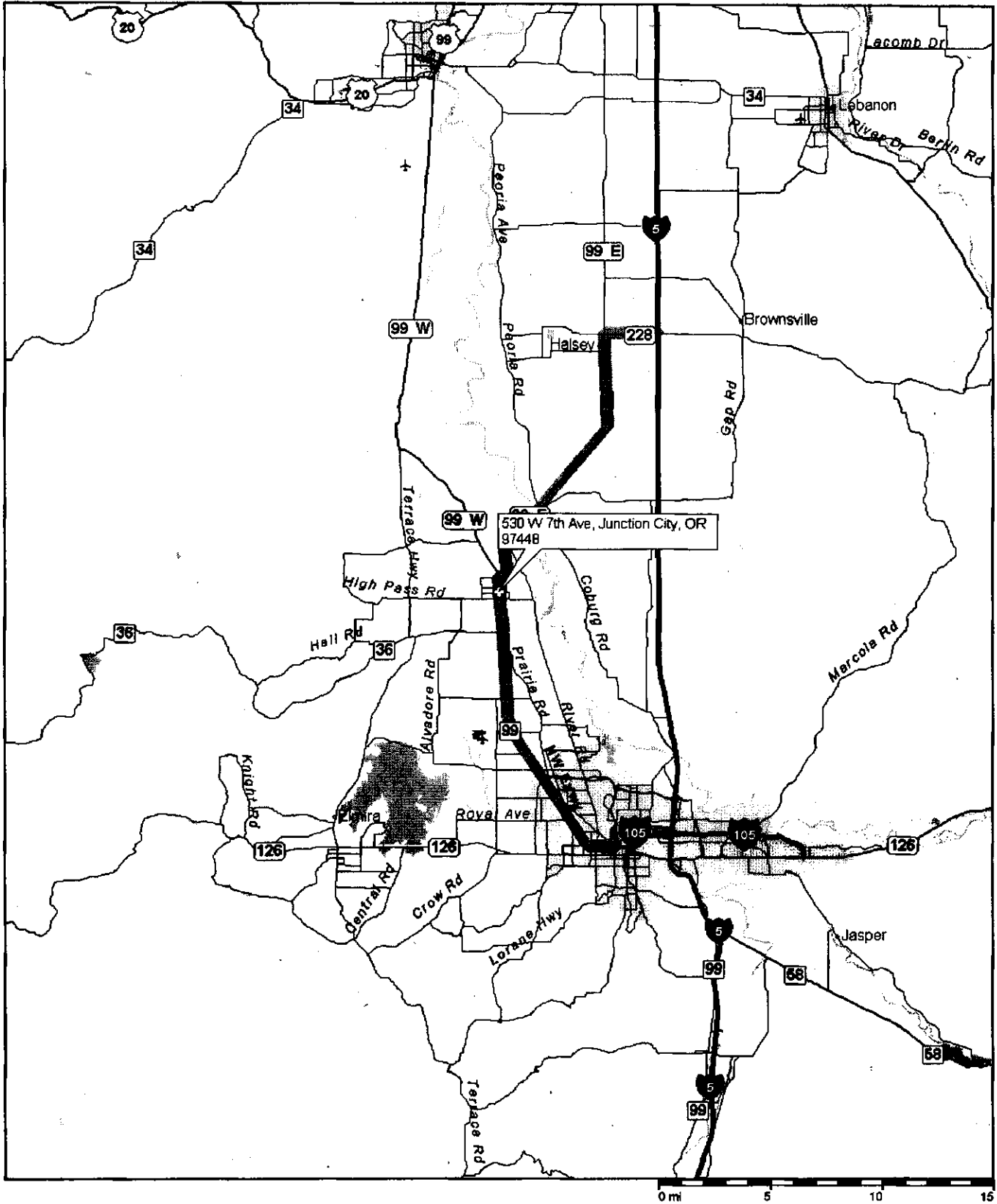
BRAND: _____ MODEL: _____

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

Label permanently fastened inside? YES NO

Was helmet modified? YES NO

If modified describe: _____



MICROSOFT CORPORATION
Streets Plus

state board meeting
 from I-5 North or South

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: _____

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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>
1 st SUNDAY	BLUE MOUNTAIN	1:00 PM, <i>East Side Tavern Rest., 2209 Adams Av., LaGrande</i>
	LINCOLN COUNTY	7:30 PM, <i>Moby Dick's Restaurant, Newport</i>
2 nd SUNDAY	CENTRAL OREGON	2:00 PM <i>Moose Lodge #323 3199 N. Hwy 97, Redmond</i>
	KEIZER	4:00 PM <i>Izzy's Pizza, 3400 River Rd, Keizer</i>
3 rd SUNDAY	SOUTH COAST	11:00 AM, <i>Gino's Pizza, 1324 Virginia Street, North Bend</i>
	DOUGLAS COUNTY	12:00 AM, <i>Round Table Pizza, Roseburg Valley Mall, Roseburg</i>
	SOUTHERN OREGON	12:00 Noon, <i>Oregano's Pizza, Gold Hill</i>
2 nd & 4 th SUNDAYS	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 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>Cassandra's Restaurant, 446 SW Baseline, Hillsboro</i>
1 st & 3 rd WEDNESDAY	NORTH COAST ABATE	7:00 PM <i>Astoria Eagles, 894 Commercial, Astoria</i>
	N.E. PORTLAND	7:30 PM, <i>RoundTable Pizza, 4141 NE 122nd, Portland</i>
1 st THURSDAY	WILLAMETTE VALLEY	7:00 PM, <i>PrimeTimeSportsBar&Grill, 1360 Mohawk, Springfield</i>
3 rd THURSDAY	RIVER CITY	7:30 PM, <i>Zim's Brau Haus, 604 E 2nd St., The Dalles</i>