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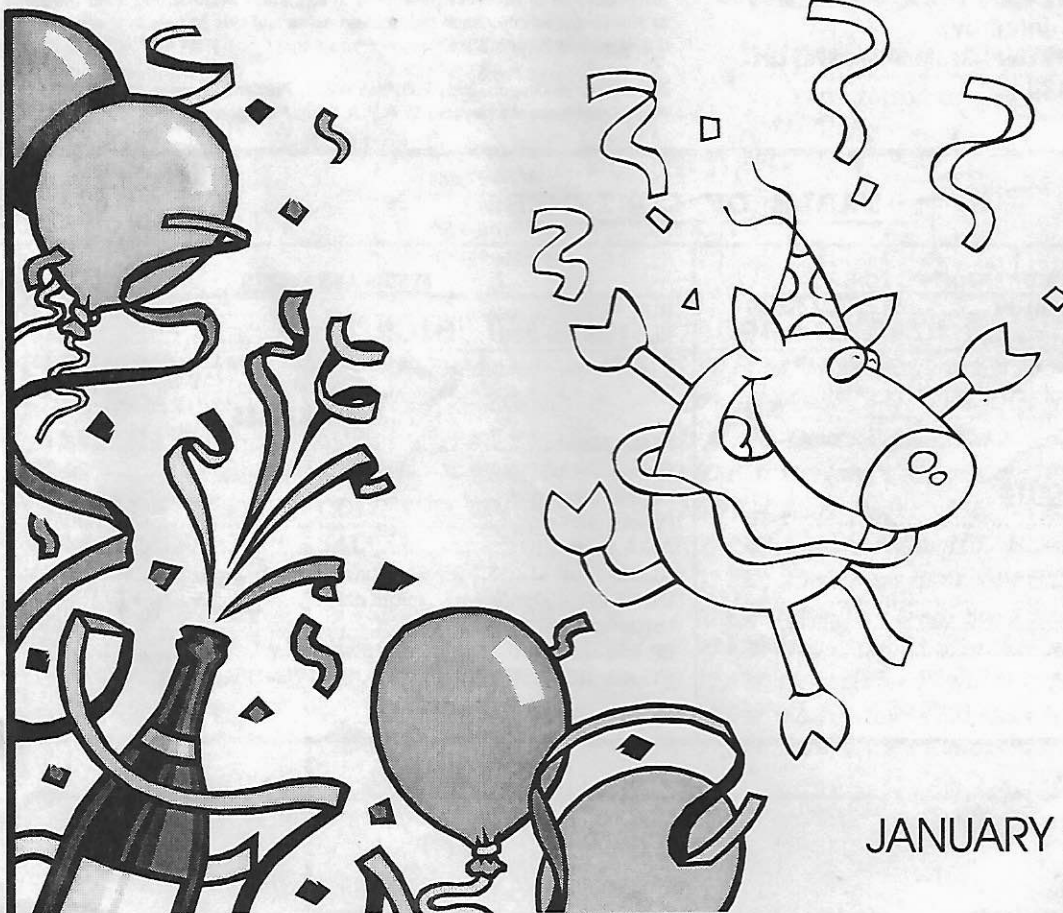
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## Chapter Meeting Places - Where & When

1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY	S.E. PORTLAND	12:00 Noon, M/M Restaurant & Lounge 137 N. Main Gresham
2 <sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY	CENTRAL OREGON	2:00 PM Moose Lodge #323 3199 N. Hwy 97, Redmond
3 <sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY	SOUTH COAST	11:00 AM, Gino's Pizza, 1324 Virginia Street, North Bend
	SOUTHERN OREGON	2:00 PM, Oregano's Pizza, Gold Hill
2 <sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY	COLUMBIA RIVER	12:30 PM, Pizza Perfect, 6815 NE Killingsworth, Portland
2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> SUNDAY	SALEM	1:00 PM, Pietro's Pizza, 1637 Hawthorne Ave. NE, Salem
1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> TUESDAYS	RIVER CITY	7:00 PM, Zim's Brau Haus, 604 E 2nd St., The Dalles
2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> TUESDAY	WASHINGTON COUNTY	7:30 PM, Prime Time Sports Bar & Rest 4202 Pacific Av, Forest Grove
1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> WEDNESDAY	NORTH COAST ABATE	7:00 PM Astoria Eagles, 894 Commercial, Astoria
3 <sup>rd</sup> WEDNESDAY	N.E. PORTLAND	7:30 PM, RoundTable Pizza, 4141 NE 122 <sup>nd</sup> , Portland
3 <sup>rd</sup> THURSDAY	WILLAMETTE VALLEY	7:00 PM, Foxfire Rest 4740 Main St, Springfield, Or
1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> FRIDAY	LINCOLN COUNTY	7:00 PM, Moby Dick's Restaurant, Newport

# STATE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

December 9, 2000

The meeting was called to order at 12:07 PM by Ted Tracy. Ted asked for a moment of silence in remembrance of Bear and Brian Stovall asked for articles remembering Bear for the next BikePAC newsletter. Ted acknowledged and introduced Bob Hadley, Jim and Dixie Smith from Central Oregon, who were new to the State Board Meeting. The Pledge of Allegiance was said. The reading of the minutes from the November meeting was waived.

**Coordinators Comments:** Ted said there were less chapters then when he started last year, but all the chapters are in good health.

**Correspondence:** Ted read an email complaint and then he read his response. Ted then read a letter from Butch Harbaugh, NCOM Chair of the Legislative Task Force. Rotten Roger will be honored for his "Pursuit of Liberty" at the next national NCOM Conference in May 2001. Another letter from NCOM asked ABATE of Oregon to "own a piece of Sturgis" by buying a brick for downtown main street. The final correspondence was a postcard from Metro (Portland metropolitan area) to get a packet of information. Roger said he's been trying for five years to get someone involved in metro because they ignore motorcycles in their alternative transportation planning.

## Officer Reports

**Legislative Report:** New BikePAC officers were announced. BikePAC is still looking for a Development Director. Mel Yeager gave a BikePAC plaque to Kurt Speas for being the top fundraiser last year. Kurt said it belonged to Lincoln County. Teresa said it was very important to get the word out that the January Rider Day at the State Capitol was published with the wrong date. The date is Friday, January 26. All ABATE members are encouraged to attend the January and February Rider Days. Contact Teresa for more information. Roger announced that Diesel Dave is running for the office of Legislative Director and needs voting support at the next Multnomah County Democratic Party meeting on Thursday.

**ABATE's BikePAC Representative:** not in attendance.

**Confederation of Clubs Representative:** Clark reported that new officers were elected at the last meeting. They are also designing a T-shirt. The NCOM Conference is in May 10 - 12, 2001.

**Education Director:** Geoff White says things are at a holiday slow down but so many schools are now calling us that he doesn't need to track them down. The newest instructor is Cherie Hembree. More good news in that Southern Oregon will be teaching the first class in January and Rose City HOG members want to become instructors.

**Education Director II:** Terry Schafer says he wants to promote the program to more high schools.

**Membership Secretary:** This is Mother's last day of service, after 18 years! She is very excited about her new grandchild. She talked about having kept track of every single member over the years and is happy there are two people running for her position. Membership is down this month but she sees us in a rebuilding phase. Mother will be missed. Willamette Valley announced their membership promotion and Washington County reported on their great success at recruiting at Beaverton Honda. Roger says it's time to refill the trifolds.

**Newsletter Editor:** Not in attendance. Ted says mailing packets to Gordon is working very well.

**Products Director:** Brad Brooker announced a 50:50 drawing.

**Public Relations Director:** Melinda McCrossen is updating the fax numbers in the press release file to send out the big Run Calendar 2001, due soon. She also has been attending the Run Committee Meetings.

**State Run Coordinator:** Roger is delivering the Run Calendar to Gordon tonight. Duffy Bishop has confirmed for Fossil and the other bands will be lined up soon. Roger is still looking for quality wood to use to build a shed for lights and sound equipment at Fossil. Volunteers are needed to help build it too. Roger will have squared away the money from the last Swap Meet by the next board meeting. The next Run Committee meeting will be on Thursday, December 21, 7 PM.

**State Run Coordinator II:** We have a new year ahead of us.

**Treasurer Report:** Clark reported balances, as of 11/30/00: Insurance Deposit, \$2,073.00; Bulk Mail, \$3,553.25; Checking, \$4,405.01; Savings, \$44,234.82; for a Grand Total of \$54,266.08. All chapters are eligible to vote. Clark called attention to the ABATE of Oregon Insurance Form with his report. He wants chapters to make ten copies so that they have them on file. All insurance money for 2001 sanctioned events, must be paid by the April Board Meeting. If a chapter wants to insure an event after that date, they will have to find their own insurance. Chapters should overestimate on attendance figures so that there are no problems with any claims filed. Insurance and sanctioning forms may come in at the same time, but they must BOTH be in by the April Board Meeting.

**Chapter Auditor:** Not in attendance.

**Historian:** Iris read an article she had written about Bear for the newsletter.

**Web Page Editor:** Not in attendance.

**Vice Coordinator North:** Jim Niece has submitted an article for the newsletter on the responsibilities of officers with the election changes. Jim has also been working with the Bylaws Committee, which will be discussed under unfinished business.

**Vice Coordinator South:** Bob Avery submitted a written report that will be covered under unfinished business. He said Ken Messerly, former State Representative and Senator-Elect, complimented ABATE on the professional way our members conduct business at the State Capitol.

**Vice Coordinator East:** OPEN

**Sergeant at Arms North:** Bob Earl says things are going good for getting ready for Fossil. He also mentioned a letter that the Shriners sent to him, thanking him personally for directing traffic this year and for the money raised on the day of the event.

**Sergeant at Arms South:** OPEN

**Sergeant at Arms East:** OPEN

## Committee Reports:

**Sanctioning Committee:** The Sweetheart Dance was sanctioned.

**Run Committee:** Everything was covered in Roger's report.

**PIT Committee:** Cherie Hembree is the Chair of that committee. Iris, Randy, Deb are active members.

## Unfinished Business

**Planning Session in Cottage Grove:** Ted distributed the final Bylaws proposal from the Bylaws Committee. The biggest change is the incorporation of the Rules of Operation into the Bylaws. An attorney has reviewed the document and it is fine. Teresa said the most important reason for bringing the Bylaws up-to-date is because if ours is incomplete then we default to state law. Jim says the Bylaws will be published in the next newsletter and discussed on the chapter level throughout the month of January. Any changes should come before the Board of Directors at the February meeting to be discussed. Ted is also working on a letter to Indian Creek members. Randy Phipps turned in an article on becoming an effective citizen and grassroots lobbying. He volunteered to do this at the last Planning Retreat.

**Attorney Information:** Covered in the Planning Session Report

**Fossil Museum Display:** Deb Jones has talked with the caretaker of the museum and it might turn out that they will provide a case to us because they are remodeling.

**State Web Page Update:** Mad Dog will do the job for another year, according to Ted. The VISA accommodations offered to us through Carol Farley is not working out.

**Membership Secretary's New Printer:** The printer cost less than budgeted for and Murge has money to return.

**OCOVA Membership:** This came up at the last meeting and Bob Avery looked into it. The Board felt that they needed more information and a recommendation from Bob as to whether or not to join lobbying forces. They are concerned about custom and street rods.

**Washington D. C. Trip:** Many people withdrew from the running and speeches were given by the four remaining candidates. Ted Tracy and Joe Huff will be travelling. Mel Yeager might go and Iris Yeager is the alternate.

## New Officer Elections:

Coordinator: Ted Tracy  
Vice Coordinator North: Jim Niece  
Vice Coordinator South: Bob Avery  
Vice Coordinator East: Bob Hadley  
Legislative Director: Cherie Hembree  
Education Director: Geoff White  
Education Director II: Terry Schaefer  
Membership Secretary: Jill Tracy  
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State Run Coordinator: Rotten Roger  
State Run Coordinator II: Kurt Speas  
Chapter Auditor: Carla Richesin  
Historian: Iris Yeager  
Web Page Editor: Mad Dog  
Sergeant at Arms North: Bob Earl  
Sergeant at Arms South: Cole Hembree  
Sergeant at Arms East: Jim Smith  
BikePAC Representative: Randy Phipps  
Confederation of Clubs: Clark Brooker



## New Business

**Chapter Flags:** Roger will talk to Edd Dahl and bring banners next month.

**Motion:** Send Roger Hendricks to the NCOM Conference in Florida, in May 2001.

**Passed unanimously.**

**Motion:** Send Clark Brooker to the NCOM Conference in Florida, in May 2001.

**Passed unanimously.**

**Motion:** To contract with BikePAC to provide lobbying services during the 2001 legislative session. ABATE will pay \$5000 before 12/21/00 and \$5000 to be paid after 1/1/01.

**Passed unanimously.**

**STEAM:** There will be more information next month.

**State Officer Guidelines:** These are available through Ted Tracy.

**Chapter Officer Rockers:** Please order through Clark Brooker.

**International Motorcycle Safety Conference:** Teresa will come back to the next meeting with a concrete proposal to send both Geoff White and herself to Orlando in March 2001. It is very expensive and it was suggested that maybe the chapters can pitch in to help pay for good representation.

**Billboard Project:** Geoff White says it is in the works and he is waiting for additional information. Clark suggested that the chapters chip in to help pay for this project too. The billboard will be posted on I-5 during May, Motorcycle Awareness Month.

**Bear:** Money is being raised for Bear's cremation. If you can help, please contact the Lincoln County Chapter folks.

**Certificates of Appreciation:** Ted distributed these certificates to those who attended the Planning Session and to his State Officers. He also thanked the State Reps for the work that they do. A special plaque was awarded to Mother for her 18 years of service as a state officer.

Announcements were made and the meeting was adjourned at 3:00 PM.

The next Board of Directors Meeting is scheduled for January 13, 2001 at Noon in Junction City.

Minutes submitted by Melinda McCrossen, State PR Director

# Coordinator's Comments

Greetings and Happy New Year!

I hope you all made it through the holidays without losing your sanity. My first year as State Coordinator is over and I am looking forward to another. The big disappointment for me was losing two chapters last year, Klamath, and Douglas Co. The good news is that I recently received a call from some people who want to resurrect the Douglas Co. chapter. Let's wish them good luck and offer them all the support we can. As far as total membership numbers, we are down somewhat. I feel that the other chapters are healthy and on solid ground. SE Portland hit the 300 mark and Washington County recently hit 200. Central Oregon has had some new members join recently, who are ready to help out. If you haven't been to a chapter meeting recently, please try to attend one soon. They need all the support they can get.

As a whole, ABATE of Oregon is solid. Financially, we are in good shape, thanks to all your efforts. While we still need to be prudent, we have the funds to be a very effective organization. I would like to give a big thank you to the South Coast chapter for their generous donation of \$1500. River City chapter recently donated \$100 for the effort to send 2 ABATE members to lobby in Washington, D.C. Both Lincoln County and Washington County paid for BikePAC memberships with generous donations. Thank you for all your support.

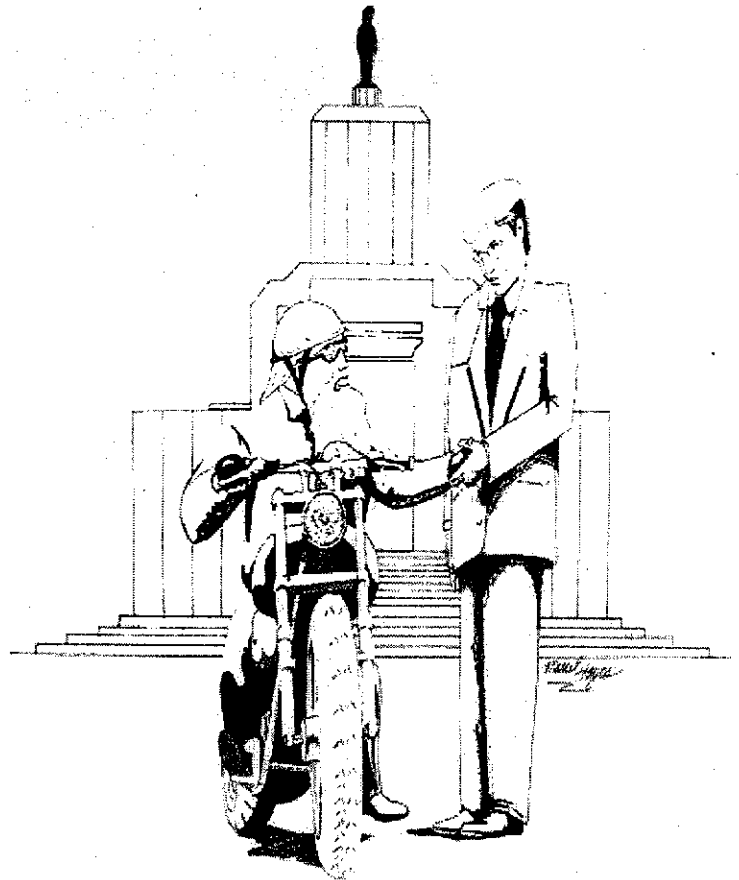
The State Board recently decided to drop the Chiloquin Run, due to poor attendance. This started out as a great event, but seemed to have run it's course. The newly formed Run Committee is working hard to make Fossil bigger and better. They have come up with some great ideas and hopefully will find the volunteers to implement them. They are also hard at work to make sure our spring and fall swap meets are successful.

The most important task at hand is our involvement in this year's legislative session. BikePAC's first Rider's Day is scheduled for January 26th, and the second one will be on February 14th. It is extremely important that we all become involved in the process. First off, make an appointment to see your State Senator and State Representative on one of these days. A BikePAC volunteer will show you your way around the Capitol and escort you to your appointments. They will introduce you to the Legislative Aides, and if you were unable to see your representatives at that time, at least you will know your way around. Most of us have other issues that concern us, and this is a great time to let them know how you feel on matters that are important to you. Please try to find the time to become involved. It can be very rewarding.

Due to all your hard work, ABATE of Oregon is a respected Organization. I am very proud to be your State Coordinator. Feel free to call me with your questions and concerns.

Ride free, ride safe.

Ted



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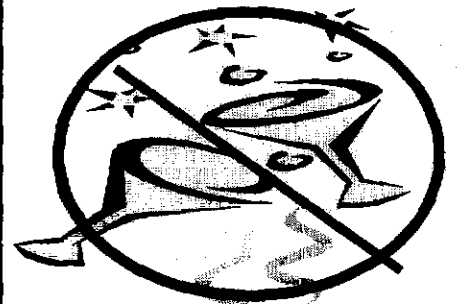
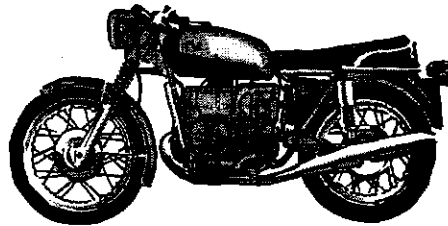
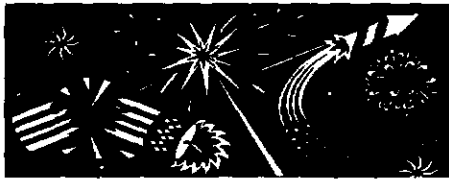
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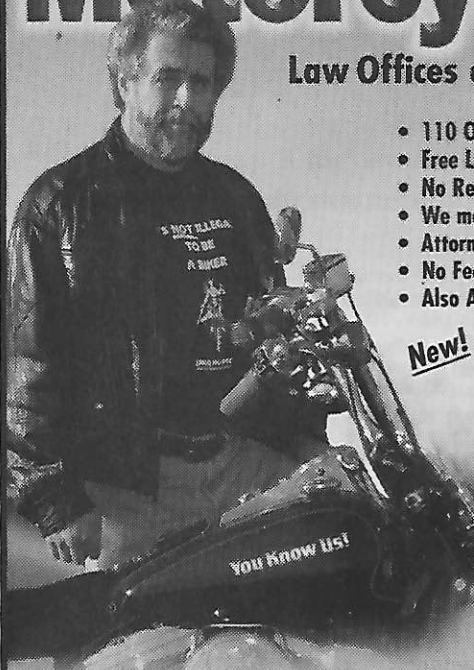
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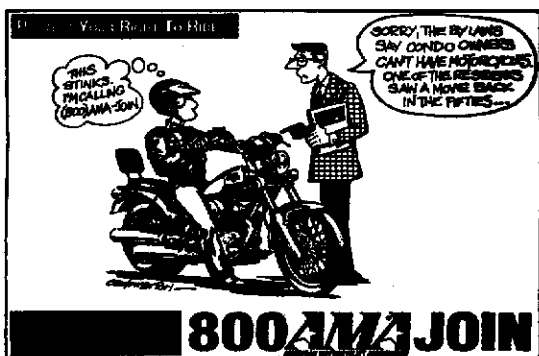
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## **News & Notes for the Politically Motivated Motorcyclists**

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

The federal Bureau of Land Management said it would ban OHVs from 49,305 acres of southern California desert by Thanksgiving. The ban affects part of the Algodones Dunes area that includes the Imperial Sand Dunes Recreation Area, known to OHV enthusiasts as Glamis. The closure is an out-of-court settlement of a lawsuit filed by preservationist groups in March that alleges the BLM violated the federal Endangered Species Act.

The suit alleges the BLM failed to consult with the US Fish and Wildlife Service on the effects of the BLM-administered California Desert Conservation Area Plan on a number of threatened and endangered species.

In announcing the Glamis closure, the BLM warned that settlement negotiations continue and further restrictions may be imposed on public uses in other areas of the California desert.

This land closure is another example of preservationists using the threat of lawsuits to shut down OHV riding areas instead of trying to accomplish their goals through any process that allows for public debate.

The BLM agreed to close more than 49,000 acres in the 150,000-acre Algodones Dunes area in recent settlement negotiations with preservationists. The preservationists alleged the ban was needed to protect the endangered Peirson's milk-vetch plant, a member of the bean and pea family.

The Glamis settlement "is part of the ongoing overall settlement discussions" going on to avoid trial in the lawsuit filed against the BLM by the Center for Biological Diversity, the Sierra Club, and Public Employees for Environmental Responsibility.

A coalition of recreational groups including the High Desert Multiple Use Coalition, Desert Vipers, San Diego Off-Road Coalition, California Association of 4 Wheel Drive Clubs and the BlueRibbon Coalition intervened in the action and were involved in last-minute settlement negotiations to try to protect OHV riding areas.

Also protesting the closure were Imperial Valley County supervisors, who noted that the shutdown could deliver a major blow to the area's economy. County officials estimate that recreational use of the area pumps about \$54 million into the local economy each year.

In addition, county officials said this closure could pose safety risks, since it has the potential to crowd more OHV enthusiasts into a smaller area.

The AMA encourages all OHV enthusiasts to contact BLM California State Director Mike Pool and tell him that we deserve compensation for the lost land. Letters should go to: State Director Mike Pool, Bureau of Land Management, California State Office, 2800 Cottage Way, RM W-1834, Sacramento, CA 95825.

**The American Motorcyclist Association (AMA) Board of Trustees has named Robert Rasor** the Association's new president. The announcement follows the retirement of J. Scott Thornton, who served as AMA president since November 1999.

Rasor has been a member of the AMA staff for nearly 28 years, starting in January 1973 as a legislative analyst. In the early '80s, he became director of the AMA's Government Relations Department, a post subsequently titled vice president for government relations.

In addition to his efforts in this country, Rasor holds two important positions with the Federation Internationale de Motocyclisme (FIM), the international organization representing motorcyclists. He is the president of the FIM's Road Safety Commission and is a member of the Management Council, which guides the FIM in all areas.

Rasor takes over as president during a period when the AMA has experienced the most rapid growth in its 76-year history. In the past year alone, the Association has grown more than 12 percent, from 240,772 members in October 1999 to more than 270,000 members today.

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More information may be obtained by contacting Margaret Borushko at: US Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Transportation and Air Quality, 2000 Traverwood Drive, Ann Arbor, MI 48105; or by e-mailing [borushko.margaret@epa.gov](mailto:borushko.margaret@epa.gov). Telephone: (734) 214-4334.

**Massachusetts motorcyclist's** now have another Motorcyclists' Rights Organization for Massachusetts. The Alliance of Bikers Aimed Towards Equity (ABATE) of Massachusetts is now an incorporated entity. If you would like more information contact ABATE of Massachusetts, Inc., Box 850724, Braintree, MA 02184.

**Montana Governor-elect Judy Martz** (R) ran for her office publicly opposing the Clinton/Gore land grab and closures dubbed "Wilderness Lite" by the AMA. Martz even donated a shovel to last summer's shovel brigade protest against US Forest Service road closures in Nevada. Montana OHV user groups supported her in her bid for election in part because her opponent had a Sierra Club national director on staff and was supported by the radical anti-access elements of Montana politics. She is also the mother of a former motocross rider.

**European Commission (EC) Transport Section** is preparing a Green Paper on Urban Mobility in order to develop policies to reduce congestion and land use. The Federation of European Motorcyclists Associations (FEMA) have been asked to give the motorcyclists' perspective on the role that Powered Two Wheelers (PTWs) can play to improve mobility in European cities.

A meeting between FEMA and officials is planned to discuss at length the approach to be taken in the Green Paper on the role that PTWs can play in urban traffic.

New Delhi, India government officials have banned the driving of commercial transport vehicles older than 12 years and motorcycles older than 15 years. This follows an earlier Indian Supreme Court directive that removes buses older than eight years old and auto-rickshaws more than ten years old.

The Motorcycle Safety Foundation (MSF), in conjunction with the German Institute for Motorcycle Safety (IFZ-Institut für Zweiradsicherheit e.V.), is a principal sponsor of the March 1 - 4, 2001 International Motorcycle Safety Conference, "The Human Element," in Orlando, Florida, USA.

The focus of the conference is on the motorcycle rider and human behavioral issues. Presentation topics that are scheduled include updates on current motorcycle crash analysis projects, including the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD), Methodology and Motorcycle Accident Investigation Detail Study (MAIDS) research; a discussion of impaired riding and impaired riding programs; a discussion and comparison of Crash Outcome Data Evaluation System (CODES) research projects; highlights of current motorcycle licensing and graduated licensing programs; rider behavior, including rider attitude and hazard perception; rider training program management and evaluation; a preview of the entire MSF Rider Education and Training System; and a review of the National Agenda for Motorcycle Safety.

As part of the conference, MSF is hosting a Riders' Fair that will feature vendors of motorcycle safety-related products, demonstrations and displays of a variety of motorcycles, computer simulation games, and the MSF DirtBike School and RiderCourse range exercise demonstrations.

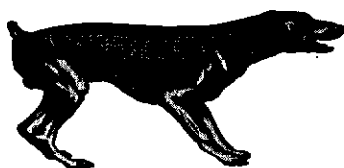
In conjunction with the conference, AMA President Robert Rasor who also serves as the chairman of the Federation Internationale de Motocyclisme (FIM) Commission for Mobility, Transport, Road Safety, Industry, Public and Legal Affairs (CMT), will convene a meeting to discuss international motorcycling issues with commission members from around the world.

The conference will take place at the Hyatt Orlando, 6375 Irlo Bronson Memorial Hwy, Kissimmee, FL 34747, USA. For registration and hotel reservation information contact the MSF-IMSC Registration & Travel Desk toll-free (888) 268-8367.

**A federal court has ruled** that three resorts on the Wild and Scenic Salmon River in central Idaho must be removed. The ruling by US Circuit Judge Sidney R. Thomas found that, "the law is clear: the construction of permanent resort lodges is not permitted in the Wild River corridor" and is clearly "inconsistent with the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act (WSRA)." Wilderness Watch, the national wilderness organization that brought the lawsuit, hailed the 51-page decision as an unprecedented triumph.

The pivotal issue before the Court was whether the Forest Service's decision permitting permanent developments on public lands was consistent with the mandates of the WSRA, which requires that the river and its shorelines must remain essentially primitive. The Court rejected the Forest Service's claim that "essentially primitive" is ambiguous and thus subject to the agency's interpretation. The Court also rejected the Forest Service argument that the Central Idaho Wilderness Act that established the Salmon Wild and Scenic River allowed the resorts.

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## **Bureau of Land Management Releases Draft OHV Plan**

PICKERINGTON, Ohio -- The federal Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has released a draft strategy that governs how off-highway vehicles (OHVs) can be used on BLM-controlled public land, the American Motorcyclist Association (AMA) reports.

While the strategy contains wording that supports OHV use, the document also calls for actions that could lead to far-reaching land closures, the AMA said.

Called the Draft National Off-Highway Vehicle Management Strategy, the document was released Dec. 4 for public comment. The public can comment on the plan until Jan. 3. The BLM will issue its final version in mid-January.

"This draft strategy is aimed at recognizing the interests of OHV users while protecting environmentally sensitive areas on the public lands," said Henri Bisson, the BLM's assistant director for renewable resources and planning.

"It also seeks to focus the agency's scarce funding and staffing resources on OHV management rather than on OHV-related litigation."

Royce Wood, AMA legislative affairs specialist, said the draft strategy recognizes OHV use as a legitimate activity on public land where it doesn't interfere with the agency's efforts to protect the environment, which reaffirms the BLM's commitment to motorized recreation.

The draft plan also seeks more consistency among agencies in managing OHV activities, improved coordination among agencies and better communication with the public. As part of that effort, the plan calls for a full-time OHV coordinator in each state BLM office, a national inter-agency coordinating group, and state and local coordinating groups.

The document also encourages the BLM to acquire easements on private land to provide OHV access to isolated public land. The document notes that up to 20 percent of the BLM's existing road system relies on private access that could be closed at any time by the landowners.

But a major area of concern in the draft strategy, according to Wood, is the plan's call for the BLM to limit or close areas to OHV use on BLM-controlled land that has proposed or listed threatened or endangered species.

"It appears that just proposing a plant to be listed as a threatened species could be enough to close an area to OHVs," Wood said. "We need more information on what would trigger limiting access or a closure, and precisely how the decisions would be made."

The strategy also calls for the BLM to focus on the use of roads and trails for OHV use rather than allowing unregulated open travel through an area, which could be a concern if the BLM disallows staging areas for competitions or open training areas for young riders.

The BLM has posted the draft strategy on its internet home page at [www.blm.gov](http://www.blm.gov).

Comments on the draft strategy should be submitted in writing to: BLM OHV Strategy, U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management, 1849 C St., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20240 or by e-mail to [ohv\\_comment\\_manager@blm.gov](mailto:ohv_comment_manager@blm.gov).

## **OHV Enthusiasts Influence Roadless Lands Issue**

PICKERINGTON, Ohio -- Thousands of motorcyclists, ATV enthusiasts and others interested in motorized recreation mobilized this year in response to President Clinton's plan to manage so-called roadless areas within the national forest system. And the results of their efforts can be seen in the final draft of the roadless plan, released in mid-November, reports the American Motorcyclist Association (AMA).

The U.S. Forest Service reportedly received more than 1.6 million comments on the controversial proposal, which threatened to shut off access by many Americans to nearly 60 million acres of public land, an area nearly equal in size to the state of Wyoming. And thousands of those comments came from off-highway motorcyclists and ATV riders, who attended public hearings and sent in letters, faxes and e-mails.

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"Getting recognition of motorized recreation as a legitimate use of these lands is a vital step for motorcycle and ATV riders," said Ed Moreland, Washington representative for the AMA. "When this proposal was first introduced, it looked as though we could be left out entirely. Now, we have a clear place in the plan to manage these lands."

The AMA cautioned, however, that the full impact of the roadless plan won't be known until two other initiatives being developed by the Forest Service are finalized. The agency recently released its Planning Regulations for managing federal lands, and it is expected to release a Forest Road Management plan soon.

Together, those proposals will determine the future of motorized recreation, as well as other recreational activities, on national forest land.

In addition, the roadless plan remains highly controversial, particularly because of restrictions placed on timber harvests in the affected areas and the Forest Service's last-minute decision to apply the rules to the Tongass National Forest in Alaska beginning in April 2004. Those provisions could result in legal and legislative challenges to the plan.

But when it comes to recreation interests, involvement in the public-comment process clearly had an impact.

"Without the input of recreation groups," said Moreland, "the regulations imposed on vast roadless areas of our national forests could have been much more restrictive.

"We know that thousands of motorcyclists participated in the process," he said, "and they were joined by snowmobile riders, mountain bikers, hikers, four-wheel-drive enthusiasts, rock climbers, equestrians, people who enjoy public waterways, and others.

"Together, we all made a difference."

For more information, see the January issue of American Motorcyclist magazine.

## **EPA To Set New Emissions Standards For Bikes and ATVs**

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The EPA is seeking comment in a variety of areas including:

- \*Technologies that may be available to reduce emissions, and the cost of those technologies;
- \*The timing and level of new emission standards;
- \*Test procedures for measuring emissions from vehicles and engines; and
- \*Compliance programs, including production-line and in-use testing by manufacturers.

The EPA directs those interested in commenting to check the Federal Register notice which is available from the EPA Air and Radiation Docket by calling (202) 260-754 (refer to Docket A-2000-01). Comments also may be made by e-mail to: [nranprm@epa.gov](mailto:nranprm@epa.gov).

Also, you can see the Advanced Notice of Proposed Rulemaking and related documents at the EPA Office of Transportation and Air Quality web site at [www.epa.gov/otaq](http://www.epa.gov/otaq).

The EPA said there will be further opportunities to comment later when it publishes a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in the Federal Register.

More information may be obtained by contacting Margaret Borushko at: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Transportation and Air Quality, 2000 Traverwood Drive, Ann Arbor, MI 48105; or by e-mailing borushko.margaret@epa.gov. Telephone: (734) 214-4334.

### **Edward Moreland New Head Of AMA Government Relations**

PICKERINGTON, Ohio -- The American Motorcyclist Association (AMA) has named Edward Moreland to be vice president of the Association's newly revamped Government Relations Department, assuming overall responsibility and direction for the department, the Association announced.

The AMA also announced that Sean Maher, legislative affairs specialist, has been promoted to the position of director of state affairs, overseeing the state government relations staff in the AMA's Pickerington, Ohio, office. In his new role, Maher will oversee the department's increased emphasis on state activities and programs.

Moreland, who has served as the AMA's Washington representative for the past three years, succeeds Robert Rasor, who took over as AMA president on Nov. 1. Moreland will continue to work out of the AMA's Washington, D.C., office.

"Ed has been at the forefront in some of the toughest battles we motorcyclists have faced in recent years," Rasor said in making the announcement, "including federal efforts to close off millions of acres of public land to off-highway riders, and the misguided attempt to impose a 100 percent import duty on some European motorcycles."

Moreland also joined with representatives of other outdoor recreation groups to form a coalition called Americans for Responsible Recreational Access, which brings together motorcyclists and other responsible public land users to give them more clout in fighting land closures. The coalition is an example of the collaborative approach Moreland has taken on motorcycling issues.

"With Ed in Washington, D.C., and Sean in our headquarters' office, the AMA is fielding the most experienced team possible to ensure that the AMA is in the best position to protect the rights of all motorcyclists," Rasor added.

Maher has been involved in a variety of motorcycling issues in his six years with the AMA. In addition to being part of the technical working group that helped create the new National Agenda for Motorcycle Safety, Maher was instrumental in establishing New York's rider-education program. He is also the AMA's resident expert on the development of intelligent transportation systems which, among other things, use advanced technology to help avoid traffic collisions.

The Government Relations Department is being restructured to more aggressively represent the needs of motorcyclists at all levels of government, from Washington, D.C., to state and local governments, the AMA said. Under the restructuring, Moreland and the Washington staff will concentrate on making sure motorcyclists' voices are heard at the federal level, while Maher will focus on issues at the state and local levels.

"This restructuring puts an increased emphasis on state and local issues, ensuring they get the attention they deserve, while continuing the AMA's aggressive defense of motorcyclists' rights at the federal level for road riders as well as off-road riders," Moreland said.

"We want to continue our collaborative efforts with existing state motorcyclists' rights organizations while fostering grassroots initiatives from our AMA Community Councils," he continued. "We're looking forward to working with all motorcyclists to ensure that issues of concern to them are addressed."

European Parliament to stiffen rules on motorcycle emissions?

**The Rapporteur for the proposal** on new emission limits within the European Parliament (EP), Bernd Lange, brings the confusion with his report. Yet a broad consensus on the original proposal of the European Commission (EC) had previously been achieved within the Motor Vehicle Emissions Group (MVEG) between experts from member states, users and manufacturers.

FEMA is very concerned about the proposal of using the current test cycle for the second stage limits, instead of the one being designed at the International level as suggest by the EC. In addition to it, new concepts developed in the report include durability of exhaust systems & anti-pollution devices for motorcycles, on board

diagnostics for bikes and in use compliance. Another amendment tries to introduce motorcycle roadworthiness testing.

Whilst FEMA is not opposed to all those concepts as such, we think that the deadlines imposed by the rapporteur are unreasonable, that there has been little consultation with users, that feasibility & cost-effectiveness of such measures have not been considered, and that some concepts are inadequate and misplaced. Furthermore it damages the well-balanced proposal of the Commission.

If the Lange report was to be adopted as it is, it would increase the costs for users by having motorcycles fitted with three-way catalytic converters, air-cooled engines being banned and two-stroke engines disappearing. Motorcycle manufacturers would also have to bear strict constraints, particularly the European motorcycle industry that does not have a car industry to back them up with research and/or technical solutions.

Fortunately, thanks to the letter campaign and the lobby efforts undertaken by FEMA and its member organisations by the Members and Substitutes of the EP's Committee on Environment, the Lange Report did not get much support.

FEMA has now drafted amendments on the controversial points and will submit them before the deadline of 4th January 2001.

Next step is the vote in the Committee on Environment taking place by the end of January, followed by the first reading by the end of February in the EP in Strasbourg. The Council of Ministers then comes into play, where the Member States are expected to reach a common position by the second half of 2001 and second reading in the EP should take place by the end of the year.

FEMA will be acting on this issue during the next stages of the legislative process until the situation is solved.

Plans are well advanced for motorcyclists to meet worldwide...

Columbus, Ohio. Earlier this month, a meeting took place of the working group developing arrangements for the 3rd International Public Policy Conference. This conference is organised every two years by the Commission for Mobility and Transport (CMT) of the FIM (Fédération Internationale de Motocyclisme). The next one will take place in Columbus, USA on 27-29th April 2001.

The objective of the conference will be to gather members of the International motorcycle community in order to discuss subjects that are of concern for motorcyclists.

The items on the agenda this year will be the global harmonisation of motorcycles standards, ITS (Intelligent Transport Systems) and how riders will be affected, and road safety.

FEMA will be present to make contributions on the increasingly important subject of global harmonisation and the Swedish threat of "Zero Vision" aiming to zero death on the roads. FEMA member organisations will also be present as representatives of European motorcyclists.

Legislation goes global.... So do motorcyclists!

From The

## **GUNNY'S SACK**

Halloween, Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Hanukkah, along with a slew of other holidays, topped off with contested elections were the last gasp of 2000. What a way to start the New Year. Bikers across the country now have the opportunity to really be effective in our quest for freedom of the road, and we begin a new century to boot.

Let's work together this year, more than ever before, to accomplish our goals in the year 2001.

We have countless groups all working for separate agendas and most of us are fighting for the same things. Don't you all think it's time we got rid of the animosity between groups and worked for the common good of us all? This is my prayer for 2001 folks, please give the FREEDOM FIGHTERS in this country and around the world all the support you can muster. If we work together we can work wonders. It's a proven fact of life brothers and sisters...let's just DO IT.

## NEWS BITS 'N PIECES:

**OHIO:** There are plenty of reasons to take a Motorcycle Ohio safety course: polishing technique, increasing control, fun. And the biggie is doing it could keep you among the living.

Starting Jan. 1, there's one more reason. Graduates from Motorcycle Ohio safety courses can take their certification directly to OBMV and obtain a motorcycle endorsement on their license. This is good news indeed. Now if we could get all states to work that way, wouldn't this make things much easier on everybody?

**WASHINGTON D.C.:** While President Clinton was in Viet Nam he made very clear to the world that he is a motorcycle helmet advocate by encouraging the use of the things for children in that country. I'm amazed that I am still living having ridden thousands of miles before helmets were considered a deterrent to motorcycle accidents.

**NEW DELHI, INDIA:** The sales of two wheeled vehicles is mixed in this country but motorcycle and moped sales are doing just fine with Honda in the lead. Scooter sales are down for some reason. I don't understand it. I'd ride one if I owned one.

**NEW DELHI AGAIN:** Hero Honda is India's largest motorcycle maker and right now they sell the 10-year-old CD series and the six-year-old "Splendour" model in the 100cc motorcycle segment. In the middle of 2001 they plan a new model and later in the year there is even another coming out both in the 100 cc range. The roads there won't handle much more power than that I guess. I was there in the 50's and most rural roads were dirt.

**WASHINGTON:** Recently we have read that the FBI has tested a new beast of software called CARNIVORE that takes all privacy away from Internet users and makes confidential information their baby to play with. This is scary folks. Privacy experts say they are worried about the breadth of Carnivore's capability and questioned why the FBI even conducted such a test in June if it intends to use the tool only for narrow purposes. Hopefully the courts will step in and set VERY strict standards for this stuff. I guess our Constitution and Bill of Rights really don't carry any authority anymore.

**EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT DIRECTIVE ALERT:** I don't think anyone with a restored classic car, or for that matter without a restored classic car, could be against protecting the environment. Highways littered with discarded plastic cups and other modern junk don't improve the looks of the countryside.

With these ideals in mind, the European Parliament based in Strasbourg passed a law called (ELV) End of Life Vehicles. After vehicles pass a certain age they are to be scrapped and not recycled or restored as happens to many old cars. This law also affects MOTORCYCLES in many countries. You say, OH, IT'S JUST IN EUROPE!!

Don't be smug simply because you, Mr. or Ms. Biker, don't mess with old cars. Look around carefully at your next ride or rally and if you know the difference between the various models of Milwaukee Iron and other machines, count the number of bikes that are over 20 years old.

Harley-Davidson is well known as the most recyclable motorcycle in the world and holds its value mainly because of that fact. Some Junker proposals have included motorcycles.

**VENICE BEACH, CA:** Here we go again folks. The Italian motor scooter Vespa (built by Piaggio) is invading our shores again and starting in California the land of the fad beginnings in this country.

Rising fuel prices, clogged freeways and smog might be a good reason for some of the rest of us to save a bag full of coin and get one of these cute little critters for ourselves.

**BRASILIA, BRASIL:** China isn't the only country that's making hay while the sun shines when it comes to the motorcycle. Brazil's exports of motorcycles rose to 51,404 units in the first 10 months of the year (2000), a 94-percent increase over the same period of last year. I wish I could get that kind of interest on my piggy bank.

**SUPERMAN HELPS LIAM NEESON WALK AGAIN:** CHRISTOPHER REEVE is helping LIAM NEESON recover from a near fatal motorcycle crash. Neeson was riding his motorbike earlier this year when he slammed into a deer and shattered his leg - and he's still learning how to walk properly after the accident. After talking with Reeves on the phone Neeson said "He got my head in order."

**JAKARTA:** If you buy a motorcycle in Indonesia, watch out. Seems money isn't the only thing you can find that's counterfeit. Apparently there are fake motorcycles being sold here under the guise of legitimate Chinese manufacture. Hah! My boss Sam Hochberg likes odd bikes -- we should find him one of these scooters. It's right up his alley.

The 110-page National Agenda for Motorcycle Safety, compiled by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and the manufacturer-sponsored Motorcycle Safety Foundation, also did not suggest that any new regulations be imposed on manufacturers.

NHTSA Deputy Director Rosalyn Millman said the federal agency will use the report to guide future motorcycle safety policy. She pointed out that the number of motorcyclists killed in the U.S. in accidents last year was 2,472, an increase of 188 over 1998. Fatalities have sharply declined, however, in the last decade. In 1989, the number of deaths was 3,141.

Other key recommendations are that programs be developed to discourage the mixing of cycling with alcohol and drug use, the increased use of effective helmets and educating motorists to make them more conscious of the presence of motorcycles.

The report, unveiled Friday in Long Beach where a motorcycle exhibition is being held over the weekend, states in its introduction that specific legislative recommendations were omitted "in an effort to maintain harmony among all groups holding a stake in motorcycle safety."

That language reflects the influence of organized rider groups that have lobbied against many motorcycle laws, especially those concerning helmet use.

"Helmets were the toughest issue," said NHTSA spokesman Rae Tyson. "We had to recognize there are a number of different ways in addition to legislation of increasing helmet use. We are not saying that one is necessarily better than another."

Members of motorcyclist rights groups were grateful that no suggested legislative measures were included. At a news conference, Bill Bish of the National Coalition of Motorcyclists thanked the panel that produced the report for "hearing our voice."

Kawasaki Motor Co. spokesman Roger Hagie said the manufacturer-sponsored safety foundation got involved because "the success of the motorcycle business depends on paying attention to safety issues."

The only comprehensive scientific analysis of motorcycle accidents ever done in the U.S. was a federally funded study produced at USC and released in 1981. In urging that another study be done, the new report points out that motorcycles, driving conditions and the demographics of cyclists have changed significantly since the USC study. For example, motorcycles today have far more power, and the average rider is 38 years old, compared with 24 in 1980.

The report does not shy away from saying that regulation helmets are a rider's best protection in case of a crash.

"There are no compelling medical arguments against helmet use", it states, citing studies showing that mandatory helmet laws have been effective in reducing head injuries and fatalities in states where enacted.

Although the report says that current motorcycles in general have better brakes, stability and controls than those of even a decade ago, some aspects of design do "raise safety issues and suggest further research." Among these are high-rise fuel tanks that can cause pelvic injuries in impacts.

Dear friend of liberty,

When we witness a grievous wrong, we want to scream. We want to release frustration, but more importantly, we hope people will listen to us so that a grievous wrong can be set right; a lie can be replaced with truth.

Since the presidential election on November 7th, politicians, political pundits and operatives, reporters, pollsters, broadcasters, commentators, columnists, lawyers and judges are unwittingly or deliberately perpetuating a grave falsehood. They constantly refer to our form of government as a democracy, instead of as a republic. The founders of our nation, as well as the thousands of men and women who have died defending our country during the last 224 years, must be screaming from their graves.

As of this evening, we, as citizens, have the opportunity to help correct a wrong. Representatives Ron Paul, Jack Metcalf, Bob Stump, and Mark Sanford submitted House Concurrent Resolution 443 early this evening. The resolution reaffirms that our form of government is a republic - not a democracy. In addition, the resolution reaffirms our electoral college system.

The difference between a republic and a democracy is the difference between liberty for everyone or tyranny of the majority.

We must not allow the lie to continue. To those people who deliberately perpetuate the lie that our country is a democracy with the hope that our nation actually becomes

one, we say, "No!" To those people who unwittingly accept this falsehood as truth, we say, "Stop. Think and understand."

Citizens in every one of the 435 congressional districts throughout our 50 states must know about H. Con. Res. 443. They then must urge their U.S. Representative to reaffirm his commitment to our republic by cosponsoring this fundamental resolution.

Inside-the-Beltway-professional-political types must also know about H. Con. Res. 443. To serve notice on them that we won't stand for their lie, we will have the resolution published in a Washington newspaper.

You can do four things to help.

1. Please read the resolution for yourself.
2. Please urge your U.S. Representative to cosponsor H. Con. Res. 443.
3. Make a contribution so this resolution can be published in a D.C. newspaper to serve notice on the Inside-the-Beltway types who spawned this lie.
4. Tell your family and friends about the resolution and ask them to help.

Please join our campaign to right this grievous wrong. Go to <http://www.thelibertycommittee.org> to read the resolution, write your representative, make a contribution, and ask your friends to help.

Kent Snyder

The Liberty Committee

<http://www.thelibertycommittee.org>

### **Executive Board Replacements Appointed**

In a special election held at a Full Board of Directors meeting on December 4, 2000, three appointments were made to the BikePAC Executive Board to fill out unfinished terms.

Appointed to finish the term of Executive Director recently vacated by Frank Saxton was Ken Ray, the current Legislative Director. Ken has been very active in both legislative work and the recent election cycle.

As this appointment removed Ken Ray from the Legislative Director position, Teresa Hepker was chosen to fill out that term. Ms. Hepker has been very active in BikePAC since its beginning. She holds the prestigious "BikePAC Legends" award, and has been instrumental in developing BikePAC's written lobbying materials, as well as many other accomplishments.

Mel Yeager was selected to fill the Membership Secretary position. Mel is a long time BikePAC supporter, ABATE member and officer and constant citizen lobbyist. He spearheaded the development of ABATE's Better Biking Program and helped spread it to numerous other states.

With these appointments, only one position on the BikePAC Executive Board remains unfilled. That is the position of Development Director. This Director is needed to help bring together the many motorcyclist groups around the state and to work with the Membership Secretary to secure more members.

### **THE LAST DAYS OF A FRIEND**

For many years I have known and associated with Robert "Bear" Alford. We first met at one of the many motorcycle runs that stretched over those many years. Upon meeting "Bear" for the first time you could not help but be intimidated by his sheer bulk. The man was HUGE. He delighted in a captive audience and would take time out of his busy schedule of partying to expound at great length on the issues facing motorcyclists from the political arena.

Bear was never shy in letting you know his viewpoint, and would discuss the matters with Biker Joe or Elder Statesman with equal assurance. He was never intimidated but would listen with his mind going a hundred miles an hour to understand what he heard in reply. He took his job seriously when he was assigned to security duty at the many runs he went to. He would sit at the gate for hours and make sure that anyone coming through the gate was legal and had a right to be there. If Bear found someone was not legal, he would personally escort them back out of the gate, sometimes by the ear, counseling them all the way. He took his job seriously.

About two months before he died, Bear helped Iris and me in teaching a couple of Motorcycle Awareness classes in the Albany/Corvallis area. He was limping and said he had hurt his left foot. He had to get someone to kick his old Harley to life so he could ride. He was embarrassed about it but tolerated the shame in order to ride.

Finally, his foot caused him so much grief that he went to see a doctor about it. His doctor told him that the bones of his foot were badly broken because Bear had been walking on it for so long. A consultant also looked at the x-rays and declared that the foot had to be amputated. Bear had a LOT of trouble seeing the wisdom in that idea, and refused to allow the amputation.

He was installed in the hospital in Corvallis for further treatment and observation. Iris and I visited him there every day because we lived nearby and since his nearest family (stepfamily) lived in Washington. He really needed somebody he could talk to about then. He told us that he would never allow his foot to be cut off, and that he would rather die first. He was pretty despondent and felt he would not be "a whole man".

Iris and I visited him every day to keep his spirits up and to help him make the right decisions concerning his leg. After a couple of days, we can convince him that he would not be less a man if they removed his foot; that they would still love and respect him as an individual, that what is in his heart is how people would judge him. He changed his mind and signed the papers to go with the amputation.

The day of the amputation, we visited him at the hospital and were informed that the surgery would take place late in the afternoon. When I got home from work, Iris and I went to the hospital to be there when he came out of surgery. We got there about 5:30 PM and waited till nearly 11:00 PM when they brought him back to his room. Meanwhile we could not get any word as to his condition or when he would get out of recovery. He was still doped up but recognized that we were there. We left for the night. We called his stepfather on our cell phone to keep him advised.

After work the next day, and each day while he was in Corvallis Hospital we visited him and we were delighted with his response to the surgery. He was looking forward to getting his leg in shape to accept his first prosthesis.

He was making plans for the future and knew that it would only be a matter of time before he would be on his own again, going back to college and riding his bike, and fighting the good fight for motorcyclists' rights in Oregon. He was a Beavers fan and watched the civil war on TV in his room. He was still pumped the next day.

Bear delighted in the visitors who came to see him and wished to thank them all. We talked about his experience as Captain of a huge fishing and processing ship when he was a lot younger. The details of that ship and crew were still as clear in his mind as if it happened yesterday. He could recall an astonishing amount of details.

He was released from the hospital to continue to recover in a rehabilitation center in Newport, where he would be near his most and dearest friends in Oregon. He was an independent cuss to the end. He got out of bed to go to the toilet. That's where he was when his heart quit.

We all lost a good friend and a great freedom fighter that day. We, who knew him, will miss him.

The day after he died Iris and I received a 'thank you' card from him for the attention we gave him. He put up the good fight, and won! He was 51 years old. Marvelous Mel and Iris Yeager

### **Greetings from Geoff White and Terry Schafer,**

I would like to begin this message with a special thought for one of our members who is no longer with us. I personally was very sad to hear that Robert Alford (he will always be "Bear" to me) did not make it home from the hospital after his operation in November. I was preparing to be a cheerful, caring, thoughtful support system, a friend of a fellow rider, a brother of the road for Bear when he needed us. I was not prepared for the news of his passing. I was shocked at the report when I read it. I really wasn't ready to deal with this possibility. I have had the fortune of getting to know Bear through my dealings within A.B.A.T.E. and BikePAC of Oregon. I have, what I feel, had only a short time to be part of his life, but I'm grateful for that friendship. Bear was so involved with many different subjects involving motorcycling and our freedom I cannot help to be inspired. He impressed me with his ability to become immersed in the various issues, and bring a very intelligent perspective to the table. I remember jokes about "don't get



Bear started", and I enjoyed finding out what folks meant by that. He could often supply enough information to fill the time up very swiftly. It was still usually quite valid and noteworthy commentary even though it was a bit lengthy. I'm going to miss this. Bear was not just interested in a few topics within our organization either. Thank you Bear for taking an interest in our Motorcycle Awareness Program. He had attended classes with Mel and Iris Yeager in their program area as an instructor or support person. Bear enjoyed the social activities of A.B.A.T.E. and was in attendance at many of our functions. He usually spent much of his time at these events working to ensure that our business was taken care of. I often noticed that Bear would put in long hours working these events to enable others to enjoy themselves. This was a truly generous act. I know that I'll miss Bear, but somehow I feel that there is still his presence with us now.

We've had a brief break from Motorcycle awareness classes during the holiday season. There are not any classes that I know of in the months of December and early January in the Portland area. Don't worry people. As soon as the Driver's Education classes start up again after the holidays, I'm quite convinced that the phone will start ringing and the e-mails will start coming in again. If they don't, I'm going after them. I'm really very happy to say that we have reached a point in our program where the schools are looking for us instead of us having to keep calling them to "sell" the subject. I will continue to reach out to more schools as long as our instructors can feel that they are able to fulfill the requests. We have many schools, I believe, that would be very pleased to have us deliver the message to these new drivers. Thanks to you people that are involved, this program is so successful. I know that I say this a lot, but I believe that it's the absolute truth. I believe that Mel and Iris have a class coming up in January if I remember correctly.

If anyone is interested I will be happy to get the information to you. The first class that I believe that we have up here in the Portland and surrounding area will be in February. I will submit all dates for this area into the Southeast Portland chapter Webpage as soon as know of them. Keep looking in the section under education. I believe that Mike Farmer of the River City chapter has an upcoming class in Hood River with two of our new instructors, Lynne and Greg Kadlec. Good luck on this class ya'll. Any members of any chapter are very welcome to come and be part of the presentation. Please contact Mike Farmer for the details. We're rollin'. Southern Oregon has reported that they have a class coming up. This will be the first class for their new certified instructors, Tom, Nora, Tim, Barbara, and Michael. I'm really excited that this program seems to growing and stretching out to new areas. Our instructors are doing a terrific job. Everyone get out there and support them. Motorcycle Awareness could save your life someday. The students really do get a charge out of our presentation, and they do like to see us show up in numbers.

Good luck to all of you folks.

I was invited two weeks ago to the Rose City H.O.G. (Harley Owners Group) chapter to introduce our Motorcycle Awareness Program to any of their members that might be interested in becoming certified instructors. I was welcomed with open arms into their meeting, and quite a few people were interested. I am rather excited because it means that this program now has a way to expand to a scale that could cover more schools that would not be within the capabilities of our A.B.A.T.E. Chapters alone. I hope this is the beginning of a mutually beneficial service that we can offer each other. The people that I talked with were very enthusiastic, and supportive of our program. I would recommend that any chapter reach out to other motorcycle interest groups with this idea. I will be more than happy to give any assistance that I can to help to involve others that can help to grow the program. At one time I stated that we haven't even made a dent in the Portland area schools.

Well, maybe we can now look forward to making that dent. Thank you Rose City H.O.G. chapter. I'm looking forward to a terrific team effort in Motorcycle Awareness education. Thank you Rich of Rose City H.O.G. for getting this process started. Fantastic idea man!

I will put the school tallies in my next newsletter installment. I apologize for not having all the information prepared this month. I'll also have another session of "student comments" for your viewing pleasure. I hope that everyone had a very happy and safe holiday season this year. Thank you to everyone who has been so supportive of our education efforts. Please see the information in the newsletters and at your local area chapter meetings regarding S.T.E.A.M. (Seminar To Educate And Motivate). This is an invaluable item for any one who has become an officer or anyone who wishes to understand

how the business, political, and educational side of A.B.A.T.E. functions. The date for the Seminar is February 17th. It will be held at Chemeketa Community College in Salem, Oregon (contact Mel Yeager at 541-967-1286, yeagermel@aol.com for more information). I cannot stress enough how useful this seminar is to anyone who wishes to know how they can become an active member of A.B.A.T.E., and help to bring the strength that comes from our membership. Until next month have a terrific New Year. We hope that you and your families had a very happy holiday season. Keep those digits warm while riding. Express these friendships now. Later might not be the best choice of time. In memory of Robert "Bear" Alford, Robert "Uncle Bob" Jackson, and Shirley Pearson. Take care. Spread the awareness.  
Geoffrey White

## **Politics 101**

By Ken Ray

Executive Director, BikePAC of Oregon

### **Democrat or Republican?**

Which one are you? Have you ever thought about the meaning of what these parties stand for? I don't mean the platforms. They change all the time. I mean have you thought about the fundamental differences in the two main political parties. Now I am not going to try to promote one over the other. I want to discuss the roots of each party and what that means to our political system.

### **Democratic Party**

The Democratic Party had its beginnings as the opponents to the Federalist Party. Many of the most influential founding fathers, such as Alexander Hamilton, were Federalists. They believed the keys to success as a nation was through a strong national government. The Democrats believed more strongly in a weak national government and stronger state powers. After the War of 1812, the modern Democratic Party was born. Although Democrats didn't invent conventions, platforms and professional campaigning, they brought these things to a new level. The core of the Democratic Party's support was in southern slave plantations, farms, and immigrants in the large eastern cities. One of the first popular Democrat presidents was Andrew Jackson. By the 1830s the opposition party, called the Whigs, were gaining in strength in the North and areas dependent on trade. But the Democrats had become the nation's majority party. Democrats held most of the nation's elected positions and they held this strength until the Civil War. By the election of 1860, slavery had become a dominant issue in the country. The Democratic Party's strong ties with slave plantations and the South cost it much support up north. Also the issue of slavery caused a split among the Democrat ranks in 1860. At the convention, Democrats couldn't agree on a candidate and the southern delegates left. The convention reconvened in Baltimore and nominated Senator Stephen Douglas who was famous for the debates with Abraham Lincoln two years prior. The Southern Democrats nominated Vice President John Breckinridge. Abraham Lincoln was elected and this precipitated the Civil War.

After the Civil War, the Democratic Party gained strength once again, especially in the south. The "Solid South" was to be a dominant part of the American political landscape until the 1890's. This period gave rise to the urban "Democratic Party Machines" that dominated politics in most large cities. The most consistent Democratic principle was the limitation of government. The 1890s began a decline in the Democratic Party under the leadership of William Jennings Bryan. Under Bryan, the party began an anti-urban message that rubbed the urban Democrats the wrong way. Both sides agreed on things like progressive reforms to help the poor and a system that would later be called welfare. But the divisive messages kept the power diminished of the Democratic Party.

In 1912 Woodrow Wilson was elected due to a split in the Republican Party. He was the first president to put forth the Democratic Party ideals of using government to regulate financial systems and to improve working conditions at the lower economic classes. Wilson also began a liberal international activism to protect American interests worldwide. This was a major shift in not only the philosophy of government, but also in the authority of the president. The next major shift came in the Franklin D. Roosevelt administration. Roosevelt's administration began a revolution in American politics. The

"New Deal" as it was called, began as primarily economic reforms. But it soon encompassed social welfarism, banking reforms, and the social security system. The progressive Democrats believed that social ills were best served by permanent and vigorous government spending and authority. The shift from the once sacred principle of limited government power was profound.

### **Republican Party**

The Republican Party first appeared in 1856 as an anti-slavery faction of the once dominant Whig party. The Republican Party's strength at first was primarily concentrated in the industrial North. The Republican Party rose to prominence quickly when Abraham Lincoln was elected in 1860. Lincoln's election was assured when the Democratic Party split and fielded two candidates. The Civil War created the image of the Republican Party as the party that freed the slaves and won the war. The southern states became firmly Democratic after the war and this lasted for over a hundred years.

After the war the Republicans pushed promotion of industry through high tariffs. They also promoted a policy of Radical Reconstruction in the south. But in order to secure four southern state's electoral votes in the disputed presidential election of 1876, the Republican Party abandoned the radical reconstruction policy. In so doing they also abandoned the cause of black civil rights and surrendered the South to the Democrats.

In the late 1800s, the Republican Party became the dominant party in the nation. These were times of relative prosperity and the nation seemed inclined to leave things alone in elections. This dominance continued until 1912 when the Republican Party split into two. They fielded two candidates, Theodore Roosevelt and William Howard Taft. When Taft won the nomination, Roosevelt formed the Bull Moose Party. The split between Reformers (Roosevelt), and Economic Republicans (Taft), ensured Wilson's ascension to presidency. During the 20's the policy of "laissez-faire" or "hands-off" pro-business Republicans set the Party as the one of continued good times. This lasted until the depression hit and Franklin Roosevelt was elected for the Democrats.

Franklin Roosevelt was so popular and so dominant during the 30's and 40's, that the face of government was forever changed. In 1936, the Republican Party basically ran as the anti-Roosevelt party. The hostility the Republicans felt toward Roosevelt's popular New Deal policies caused the GOP to end up with only seventeen Senators and 89 Congressmen. After this, the Republicans learned not to oppose the new government programs quite so loudly and the GOP recovered enough that they formed coalitions with the more conservative southern Democrats to oppose Roosevelt's more radical proposals. This "conservative coalition" controlled both houses of Congress until the early 1970s.

Today.

Now in the beginning of the 21<sup>st</sup> century we seem to be going through another change in the political parties. During the 70's and most of the 80's there was a bipartisan together spirit that accomplished much. Tip O'Neill and Ronald Reagan could argue policy and battle during the day and drink whiskey together during the night. In the late 80's, possibly around the time of the nomination of Bork for Supreme Court something changed. The younger members and newer members of Congress were less willing to compromise and less willing to work outside of their party. During practically all of the 90's there has been a lot of acrimony and little respect between the two major parties. Many people feel that the Republican led impeachment of Bill Clinton was retribution for the Democrat led torturous confirmation process Clarence Thomas was put through as a Supreme Court nominee. Both way the tone was very divisive and the American people seem to have responded to this by evening up the Congress and Senate. Although currently the Republicans hold a majority, it is razor thin. This may bring in a new cooperative spirit like we used to see in Congress.

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**HAPPY NEW YEAR!**



# Chapter Reports

## Central Oregon

Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday, 2:00 PM

Moose Lodge #823, 3199 N. Hwy 97, Redmond  
Chapter address: P.O. Box 926, Redmond, Or. 97756  
Chapter contact: Jay Swartz 541-389-6773

Greetings and Happy New Year, from the Central Oregon Chapter.

I hope everyone's Holiday season was happy, safe, and sane. If you're reading this, we survived the new millenium controversy. 1-1-2000 or 1-1-2001?

The Central Oregon Chapter is looking forward to a prosperous New Year and new membership increase. Thanks to new faces, involvement, and enthusiasm, it's contagious. More and new events, a monthly ride or two. It's about time.

I'm very proud to announce we have an East Side Coordinator, Bob Hadley, and an East Side Sergeant at Arms, Jim Smith as State Officers. Thank you both, the opportunities to learn, share, and teach are infinite. The rewards will be self-evident as you meet and interact with some of the most talented people in the State of Oregon. Most of them belong to ABATE of Oregon, Inc, and BikePAC. There are other people and opportunities that you will meet in your journeys.

Congratulations to all of our new and old State Officer, I'm glad to see Gordon Hieronimus is still at the helm of this great rag! A big thank you to mother for all of her rock hard work- good job! I have watched people come and go, some I will never forget. Most of us are ordinary citizens, but some become extraordinary. Is that an oxymoron? I feel like an oxymoron sometimes!

A couple of years ago, during our chapter elections, I was re-elected Chapter Coordinator. I replied that I must have "stupid" tattooed on my forehead. It was agreed upon that the chapter would pay for the tattoo. Now I want the chapter to pay for the removal!!!

Our new chapter officers as of 12-10-2000 meeting are...

Coordinator	Jay Swartz
Treasurer	Terry Molendyk
Secretary	Jim Smith
State Board Representative	Bob Hadley
Membership Secretary	Linda Roelle-Dixon
Vice-Coordinator	Loren Larson
Sergeant at Arms	Bob Hadley
Ways and Means	open
Education Director and instructors	open ** need some!
Legislative Director	open big need Jay Swartz declined due to work load.
Public Relations Director	Linda Roelle Dixon
Historian	Loren Larson
Road Captain	open ** need one or more
Chapter Chaplain	open ** where are you

I want to thank all of the new and old officers, past, present, and future! For the hard work you've done or the fun you're about to get into! As our chapter grows, through participation and involvement, as I believe it will, the empty officer positions will be filled and doubled to lessen the workload. I look forward to bringing back a motorcycle awareness program to the East Side, it's about time. Good things take time, it will happen.

We've had instructors in recent years, thanks to Nic Oliver, but not the leadership. To my knowledge, there has not been a MAP class east of the Cascades in the last six years! O.K., five, I don't remember. I went to one in Silver Lake in '95 or '96, seized a side car axle 15 miles short of the high school, long story, not my sidecar!

We are planning our 1st annual Crescent Lake Run - Weekender. This looks like a to-be-at-event that will grow big! Gotta be there! More info as it progresses. We discussed our chapter flag, we almost have a 2nd Chapter banner, the first banner went to Arizona or the dump, don't know - do I? We have a possible killer design for the chapter flag, will have to research it. We are on a roll!

Bear? Who the hell is Bear? I met Bear on the steps of the State Capitol, in Salem at a Biker's Day, '97 same place, '99 and a State Board meeting in 2000, in the spring. I saw

Bear as a man willing to speak up and be heard, as an active individual with a well-founded opinion. He was involved and wanted to be more active, even on the Federal level. We will never know the greatness he could have achieved! But, we do know our Bear. God bless him and his! Robert Alford, R.I.P. P.S. I want yer Weizer Rodeo T-shirt, the big red one! We will miss you.

I'm proud to say that our chapter is made up of all makes of motorcycles, regardless of origin, and all makes of motorcycle enthusiasts, whether they currently ride or not. We are not a Harley only group, everyone of all ages is welcome. It's distressing to hear when prospective members are turned off by a few Harley Only- Big Bad Biker attitudes. That is not what ABATE is about and not why I joined and got involved. We need to sing from the same page, if we are to prosper and grow as a SMRO. State Motorcycle Rights Organization! United we stand...divided we fall!

Over the years, I have known some great men that rode Japanese, European and American motorcycles. These men were riding and or racing Harleys, Indians, etc. before most of us were a wet spot! To mention a few of many.... Wino Willie Forkner, founder and president of the Booze Fighters M.C., John Cameron and Lance Tidwell, members of the BFMC, these guys were and are my heroes, among others. I've also met some great men and women through ABATE that ride a variety of motorcycle makes. Tina Wright, Teresa Hepker, Brian Stovall, Lyle Irons, Gunny, etc.. I remember Fossil '97, a husband and wife riding Hondas? Or...with sidehacks packed with five to seven children, one of them 3 months old! That beats anything I've seen on a Harley, including "Idaho" Mike Cole with two women and a dog on a panhead at the Weizer, Idaho Parade in 1982. End of story!

A special thank you to the State Board and the State Officers for your support through the Central Oregon Chapter's difficult times.

Gotta Go! Adios and Del Taco!

Jay

P.S. anyone interested in attending STEAM, please call me. We are forming a car pool. All new officers are required to be there, but everyone is welcome.

P.S.S. Our December meeting was very productive and the best Chapter meeting we've had in years! I challenge you, the Central Oregon Chapter, to bring a prospective member, ex-member or guest to our next meeting January 14th, 2001. (2nd Sunday) at 2 pm at the Redmond Moose Lodge. Look forward to seeing you. That would be present enough for my birthday, I just want your presence.

### **Columbia River**

**Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday, 12:30 PM**

**Pizza Perfect 6815 N.E. Killingsworth, Portland**

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

**Chapter Contact: Spike 503-282-4604**

To start the New Year, we need to recognize the efforts of our chapter members which have resulted in our chapter's growth over the past year. Way to go folks, keep up the good work.

Recognition is due for the work of the chapter officers: Angie, Treasurer; Janet, Secretary; Crazy Steve, Historian; Aaron and Nick, Sergeants-at-Arms; Art, State Board Representative; Bev, Membership Secretary; Bill, Vice-Coordinator.

We should also recognize the special effort by our chapter's members on the Shriners' Toy Run Committee: Gary, Julie, Jimbo and Janet. This year's run was a great success and was due to the committee members' devotion to that worthy cause.

Thank you, one and all.

We will have chapter elections at the meeting on January 14, 2001, so please attend the meeting. All positions are open and we welcome anyone who wishes to run for a position. We also have some vacant positions that we really need to fill.

This year is a legislative session and we must be on our highest alert. There are rumors that the State Police will attempt to rewrite the helmet law so that beanies will be outlawed. If they succeed, we will be back to the bad old days of getting stopped because we aren't wearing what the cops think are "approved" helmets, in other words: HARASSMENT. We must immediately make contact with friendly legislators and line up their support to oppose the State Police's effort. We must use our contacts in the Republican and Democratic Parties for their support as well.

Finally, everyone is invited to come to our 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Sweet Heart Dance on February 10<sup>th</sup> at the River Road House in Milwaukie.

Spike

### Lincoln County

Meets the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday, 7 PM  
Moby Dick's Restaurant, Newport  
Chapter Address: P.O. Box 614, Waldport, OR 97  
Chapter Contact: Ralph Janes (541)265-6850

Happy New Year!

2001 is here! I was just barely getting used to writing 2000. This past year has gone by so fast.

On a very sad note, our friend Bear passed away Thanksgiving morning. He was near and dear to so many of us. We Love you Bear, and we will miss you very much! His intelligence and persistent fight for our Freedoms will be impossible to match. On January 20th, 2001 (this month), we will be celebrating Bear's life at the Logsdon Community Hall. Please bring a potluck item, BYOB, and sleeping bags. For more info call Ralph & Wanda @ 541-265-6850.

We've held nominations for Officers and I'll have results from elections next month.

Did everyone enjoy their Christmas? I'm pretty sure I will. It's so hard to report on events that haven't happened yet. We've adopted families again this year, and on Dec. 17<sup>th</sup> Santa and his biker elves will be delivering their gifts.

I have volunteered to be Lincoln Co. Secretary AGAIN, so I'll talk at ya' next month.

RIDE SAFE!

SHIRLEY

### N.E. Portland

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

No report, Third Time.

Not Eligible to Vote at State Board Meeting in January unless Report turned in at State Board.

### North Coast

Meets 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday, 7:00 PM  
Astoria Eagle, 894 Commercial, Astoria  
Children are Welcome  
Chapter Address: P.O. Box 854, Warrenton, Or. 97146  
Chapter Contact: Joel Hackney 503-717-8794

No report, First Time.

### River City

Meets 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays, 7:00 PM  
ZIM'S BRAU HAUS, 604 E. 2nd. St., The Dalles  
Chapter Address: P.O. Box 1422, The Dalles, OR 97058  
Chapter Contact: Lee Eikanas, (509) 773-5076, or Mike Farmer (541) 386-8744

We had a small quick meeting tonight and elected our officers for the year 2001. They are:

Coordinator	Lee Eikanas
Vice Coordinator	Cindy Judah
Recording Secretary	Brian Stovall
Membership Secretary	Mike Farmer
Treasurer	Lynne Kadlec
Public Relations Officer	Bob Larson
BOD Representative	Mike Farmer
Alternate BOD Rep	Teresa Hepker
Legislative Officer	Teresa Hepker
Sgt at Arms	Tim "French" Kuechmann
Ways and Means Officers	Mike McDermott
Historian	Cindy Judah and Johnna O'Neil.

Chris Turner would have won the membership drawing for \$30 if he had been at the meeting. Lee won the 50/50 at \$5/5 and donated his share back to the Chapter. Thanks Lee.

Brrrrr!! It's cold outside! We met anyway. No bikes out front, though some hardy folks went for a ride last Sunday. First they went to K-Mart for some battery-warmed gloves, then on to Goldendale and back after some warm food and a stop in Wishram for coffee. We had ten people at the meeting tonight and had a good fun discussion of my nickname list. Speaking of nicknames, where's Waldo? (Brian Aaron) That's who would have won the membership drawing for \$25 if he had been at the meeting. The 50/50 was won by Greg Kadlec at \$7/6 and he generously donated his portion back to the Chapter. Thank you, Greg.

We got nominations for our last two offices and will be able to elect a full complement at the next meeting on December 5. It was Johnna's birthday today, so we sang for her and more than made up for our lack of quality with our volume. I tell you, she doesn't look anywhere near her real age and, in fact, just gets better looking all the time! She was a little embarrassed about the singing, but survived. Hey, River City has the best looking women bikers, handsomest men bikers and the best damn looking bikes anywhere! Of course, you'll never know the truth of it unless you come on out and ride with us sometime.

Brian

### Salem

Meets 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday, 1:00 PM

Pietro's Pizza, 1637 Hawthorne Ave NE

(Call 503-581-3188 or 503-581-8637 for information)

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

Chapter Contact: Cherie and Cole Hembre(541)-791-1640

Yeehaw! and a Snappy Nude Year y'all,

Time to saddle up fer another legislative session, girls and boys. Start talking with (not at) yer Reps and Senators \*now\*. Let 'em know what's on yer mind, what's important to ya as motorcyclist. Got a whole new crop of newbies in our House and Senate, so they're gonna need educating before the opposition starts filling their innocent little minds with misinformation, half-truths, and downright lies.

Be informed:

Be involved.

We can't ride in a vacuum any more folks. (Our engines wouldn't run fer one thing.) The standards being proposed over in the European Union could well end up becoming the standards here and worldwide if we don't continue to be vigilant and involved with policy-makers at the state and local levels. You are the best source of motorcycle information for your Rep or Senator because you know first-hand what it's like out there on the road of real life.

Rot Path is writin' this back in December just after gettin' back from Salem Chapter's annual Toy Run. Badges and candy canes were handed out at the assembly site to participants. Weather was kinda iffy: cold and dampish. But the sun kept peeking out as we headed out and the misty rain abated until we was done. The Gypsy Jokers lead us off, providing road guard services along the route. (Thanks fer yer help Big Mike and all the Jokers.) Had three Santas in the mix which mighta confused some youngsters, but as Rot Path pointed out: "Ya can never have too many Santas." The P-40 Warhonda had been painted over bright red and renamed "Santa's Cycle" fer the occasion, carrying one of the jolly old elves.

First stop was the Teen Center on Union where a lot of sorely-needed supplies and toys were carried up and deposited in their facility. The cookies and coffee they provided were a welcome change from the candy canes and cold we'd been experiencing so far.

Next stop was at the Salem Outreach Shelter on Silverton Road. There was a great group of kids there who were thrilled to have Santa drop in on them with a group of black leather-clad elves to bring presents and food. As the bikers thundered up and prepared to head over to Salvation Army, all the residents of SOS were out on the front steps waving and thanking us for being there. (Think any of those kids will buy into the biker stereotypes in movies after this experience? We think not. Take \*that\* Hollyweird).

Rot Path stopped by a store on the way over to a Chapter meeting a couple of months ago. Coming back out to the bike, saw a note tucked under the gas cap flange. It said: "I think of Tom too -- Say hello to the family". She was referring to what is painted on the bike's trunk: "In memory of Tom Thorson 1999". (He was a member of Salem Chapter who used to do some terrific cooking at Fox Creek and other biker functions. He was killed near Dallas when his log truck rolled.) Thank you Rose for sharing your words with others who miss Tom and his pedestrian-snagging throttle cable.

Unfortunately, late November saw the need to add another name or two to the trunk. Warm memories of this last Thanksgiving took on a distinct chill when we learned that the night before our member Sherman Penick had gunned down his ex-girlfriend, her new boyfriend and himself in Williams, California. He had been living with Cherie and Cole, so they were both quite shaken by the news. We probably don't have all the details on what happened (and may

never have them) so it's kinda difficult to have an informed public opinion on what Sherm did. But on the surface, there's gotta have been some other way he could of handled the situation. And maybe we could have helped, had we known or been able to spot the warning signs.

Unbelievably, on Thanksgiving Day, we lost Bear to a massive heart attack while he was recuperating from an operation in Newport. Rot Path didn't so much know Bear as know \*of\* him. Only met him a few times. The last time was at the Albany 4th of July parade where Bear was riding just ahead of the P-40 Warhonda. Heard about his loss at the 26 November Chapter meeting. Had just read Bear's article in the December newsletter about his experiences at Meeting of the Minds. He was fired up and ready help change the world fer bikers. Yeah, there were folks in our groups put off by his rantings, but ya gotta admit that his bear-heart was in the right place.

One memory of Bear: It mighta been at S.T.E.A.M. a couple of years ago where Rot Path heard Bear relating how when he'd been stopped by a cop, he'd turned on a microcassette recorder tucked in his overalls to catch what the cop said. Bear went to court over the stop and the cop denied the statements that Bear claimed he'd made. Then Bear pulled out his microcassette recorder and plopped it onto the table and turned it on, playing the cop's voice and statements fer the judge. Well, the cop's face got real red because he'd been caught lying in court. And that judge gave him a right reaming over his conduct as well. Bear? All charges dismissed. (Go figure, eh?)

Ya gotta admire that kind of cunning in one of our own. Bear is gonna be sorely missed -- as a biker, as a friend.

## 2001.

A spaced odyssey or a biker odyssey?

We haven't reached the future that Arthur C. Clarke envisioned for this year when he penned his novel or that Stanley Kubrick brought to the screen with his 1968 movie. So it's up to us bikers to make this "2001: A Legislative Odyssey". We don't have a mysterious monolith to teach us how to move up to the next level, so we have to rely on what we've learned from past legislative sessions. We don't have an advanced computer running amok to foul up our efforts to reach our goals, (though many of us \*do\* have to contend with Windoze and Microsloth) so we can't be diverted by technology. It's up to us to stay constantly vigilant through the next legislative session and to rise above anything our opponents may try to do to our efforts. They would do well to remember: we're the monkeys with the jawbones in our hands.

Lookin' forward to ridin' \*totally\* free,  
Rot Path

### South Coast

Meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday, 11 AM

Gino's Pizza, 1324 Virginia Street, North Bend

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

Chapter Contact: Charlie Hill (541) 888-8081

[SouthCoastABATE@yahoo.com](mailto:SouthCoastABATE@yahoo.com)

A new year is upon us, where did the old one go? The dates for Rider's Day are set, please check the Newsletter. Go to Salem, meet with your Legislators and find out what is on the agenda. It is important to be there if you can. The more bodies they see, the more they realize we are serious and stand behind our cause.

It is time to set our sights for Spring and Summer and all that comes with them. Bike shows, rides, runs, just plain old get togethers means seeing old friends and meeting new ones. Please be sure to support your Chapter by holding an office, participating on a committee, or helping at an event.


Our Chapter has a break right now before we start our busy year with the Mall Show in May. If you haven't been to it yet, try to come this year. We always seem to get a good variety of bikes and people.

I guess that's all from me for a while.

Ride safe and have a Happy New Year!  
Karen Bauder

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### Southern Oregon

Meets 3rd, Sunday, 2 PM

Oregano's Pizza, Gold Hill

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

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

Tim Rohde 541-821-1487

Well here I sit writin' this just before Turkey day so's ya all can read this before Christmas! We got a lot goin' on down here now and not much time to do it in. Hope everybody read what Bear had to say in his MOTM 2000 report, I know I fer one got a real shocker out of it!

So, on to my report, as you all know SOS is coming back and we have run dates set for August 24, 25, 26, and I even got Roger to commit those dates (or at least the end of August) specifically for that run. Thank you Roger! I also want to thank all the chapters who want to get involved because I'm sure there's gonna be plenty of work trying to pull this off!

We also had to vote on motions, all of which passed.. with no recounts! HAHHA! We elected to have our elections in December with new officers taking their positions in January. We motioned to elect Mike Horn as our new Chapter Secretary cause he really wanted the job, thank you Mike! Motion passed

We motioned for Vice-Coordinator Tim Rohde to take over as Coordinator until Elections and this motion passed too.

We motioned for our Treasurer, Barbara Vincent, to double as Membership Secretary until elections and this motion passed as well.

Our last motion was to bring back the "State of Jefferson Run" any of you remember that? That was a great run that you took at leisure and collected souvenirs to prove you were there and then at the end was a Bar-B-que and prizes or awards. This motion passed too!

Speaking of awards we gave out five beautifully framed Awareness Instructor Certificates to five of our Chapter members! These members were Tim Nora Rohde, Mike and Barbara Vincent, and Tom Boyd, Great job people! Now we have five certified instructors in our Chapter and there is room for more! Thanks goes out to Geoff White our State Education Director for those great Certificates to present!

We finally chose a design for our Chapter flag so we can have something by our camp tellin' who we are! Also chosen was the design for SOS flyer (Bikes and mountains Background '93) so be lookin' fer it next year in a few months.

Well people, Chapter elections are in Dec so please make that meeting and if yer out being a rollin' popcycle, ride safe!

Nuff said fer now!

Tim Rohde

Chapter Coordinator

### S.E. Portland

Meets 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays, 12 Noon

M/M Restaurant & Lounge 137 N. Main, Gresham

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

Chapter Contact: Lee Austin 503-760-9015

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I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself to every one. I am Tami Pitkin a.k.a. Mammy Tami. I am new to ABATE and I am really excited to be involved with such a great group of dedicated people. I hope to do well in the position this chapter has entrusted me with and I am sure with Anna's mentoring I will (Thanks Anna).

Thank you to EVERYONE who showed up at the Shriner's Hospital Toy Run. The weather was great, the ride was great, and the kids were great. As it turned out a member of our chapter sold the winning ticket for the Harley, earning her a new nickname: Lucky Lois!

Our chapter's membership has fallen, but only by a few souls. Our Membership Secretary has reported that this is because of failure to pay dues. I would like to take this opportunity to remind EVERYONE to check their membership card for expiration dates and to keep your dues current, this is YOUR responsibility.

By the time you read this, Christmas and New Year's Eve will have come and gone. I hope that every one of you was blessed with a great Christmas and had a happy and safe New Year's Eve. My best wishes to all of you this year.

Hey guy's: Tad Dodd you lost out on \$40.00 for the member ship drawing at the 12-03-00 meeting, and Jack Dick you lost out on \$35.00 the time before and Glen Loiza you lost out on \$30.00 the time before that. Attend the meetings or this could be you!

I am sending Gordon a list of our chapter's new officers and invite you to come to our

meetings to meet them all.

Happy New Year,  
Mammy Tami

**NEW OFFICERS**

Coordinator	Lee Austin
Vice Coordinator	Kerry (MadDog) Trotter
Secretary	Tami Pitkin
Treasurer	Vicki Messinger
Membership Secretary	Phyllis (Pee-Wee) Helzer
Legislative Director	Dick Edmonds
State Rep	Barb Cooley
State Rep (Alternate)	Wayne Pitkin
BikePAC Rep	Geoff White
Education Director	Geoff White
PR Director	Bill Cameron
Chapter Chaplain	Vic Voltz
Historian	Wyoming
Ways & Means	Barb Cooley
Products	Anna Dahl
Web Master	Kerry (Mad Dog) Trotter
Sergeant at Arms #1	Ron Conway
Sergeant at Arms #2	Wayne Pitkin
Sergeant at Arms #3	Carl Clauder
Sergeant at Arms #4	Bruce Crawford
Toy Run Rep #1	Edd Dahl
Toy Run Rep #2	Dick Edmonds
Toy Run Rep #3	Chris Anderson

**Washington County**

Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays, 7:30 PM

Prime Time Sports Bar & Rest, 4202 Pacific Ave, Forest Grove

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

Chapter Contact: Ted Tracy (503) 640-5766

Let the millenium begin! New officers will be announced in next month's newsletter, and elections will be held after the deadline for the newsletter.

Because of the same deadline, we won't know who will be the next President of the United States. A review of previous newsletter submissions reminds me not only of my excitement at the end of the elections, (who was I kidding!) but also the frequent admonishments to GET INVOLVED!!

We will have new officers in a variety of positions, and can always use help in setting up runs and events. Feel free to call me if you are interested, I'll try to get you in contact with the proper people.

We had no winners for the membership drawings in November, hopefully, Paul Edwards and Rich "Ricochet" Smith will be present for our December meeting where we will draw until someone wins.

Thank you to everyone who made 2000 successful, not only with your membership, but also with your support. We were able to donate \$1200 to the Hillsboro Fire Dept.'s Toy and Joy Program, as well as \$500 to the Women's Domestic Violence Resource Center, along with the food we have collected throughout the year.

Thank you, be safe, be merry, and watch out for the other guy.

Linda Wells,  
WaCo Secretary

**Willamette Valley**

Meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday, 7:00 PM

Blarney Stone Bar & Grill, 86498 College Rd. Eugene

Chapter Address: please address to:

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

Chapter Contact: Michael Taylor 541-485-2352

or Rick Maish 541-746-7837

It's been a great year here in the Willamette Valley. Membership has almost doubled, we made some great rides, created some fun events and have a large, active core bunch of folks

involved in everything from planning to execution of it all. With this inspired bunch we should be able to make some real progress in the political arena this next year.

Rider's Day is happening to start this off on January 26th and again on February 14. This will be the best chance to have each of you familiarize yourself with the legislative process and visit those critical reps in Salem: about freedom of choice issues and the self-serve gas for bikes agenda. Also in February a good size group of active chapter members and officers plan to attend STEAM, which to me is another indication of the dedication we have in the chapter.

In the plans for the year 2001 are, besides the usual runs and dinner rides, another weekend run to participate in. Also we are working on a getaway weekend to the East somewhere for the chapter to just ride away, campout, and ride back. Aside from the usual membership drive that is constantly underway, we'll be doing two casino nights this year, putting together an Independence Day run on the 4th of July (open to all clubs and riders) and, of course, the SOS (Southern Oregon Summer) Run is well underway now. We might even do another chapter end of year campout. And don't forget the second annual Veterans Day Parade in Eugene. Lots happening.

Thanks to all for the help and support. It's been a real pleasure working with all of you. Hope all your holiday entertainment and celebration was a success and I'm looking forward to a great year ahead.

Ride Safe, Ride Free

Michael

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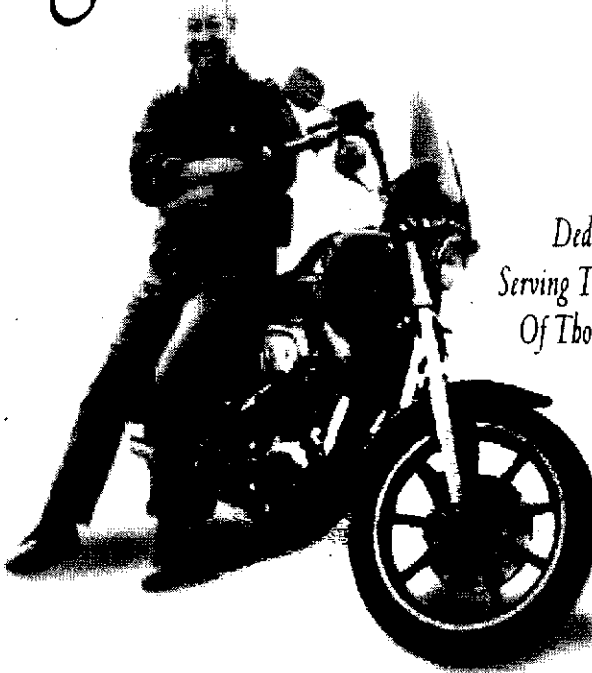
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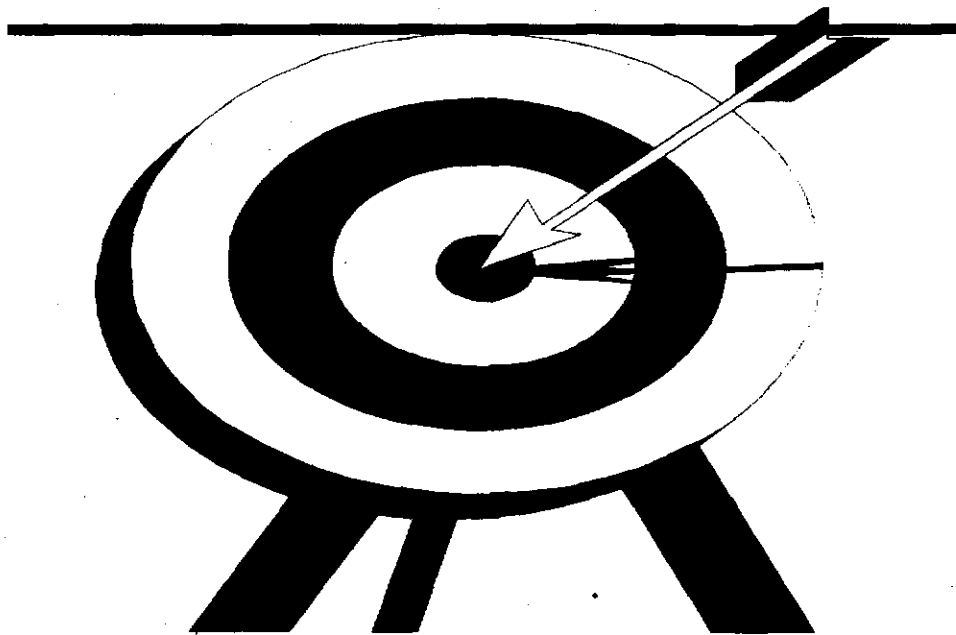
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### **To S.T.E.A.M. 2001**

**(Seminar To Educate And Motivate)**

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**MARK THIS DATE ON YOUR CALENDAR NOW!!!!**

**STEAM 2001 will be held at Chemeketa Community College in Salem, Oregon on FEBRUARY 17th., 2001.**

**All motorcyclists are invited to attend this training session which is designed to help officers do their job better, and to help members become more motivated towards protecting the rights of all motorcyclists to ride safely and free in Oregon.**

**A special guest speaker is planned for this event.**

**We all can learn how to use the political process to insure that our rights are protected for now and in the future. As usual, there is no cost to attend.**

**Watch for future announcements.**

**yeagermel@AOL.com (541) 967-1286 for more information**

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**Salem, Oregon**

# 2001 RUN CALENDAR

## ABATE OF OREGON

January 1 <sup>st</sup>	Polar Bear Run	503-774-5149
January 6 <sup>th</sup>	Washington County Ice cycle run	503-357-1727
January 26 <sup>th</sup>	Rider's Day at the Capitol	541-298-1317
February 10 <sup>th</sup>	Sweetheart Dance	503-282-4604
February 14 <sup>th</sup>	Rider's Day at the Capitol	541-298-1317
February 17 <sup>th</sup>	STEAM Conference (Chemeketa)	541-967-1286
February 18 <sup>th</sup>	Casino Night Willamette Valley	541-746-7837 Rick
February 25 <sup>th</sup>	ABATE of Washington Swap Meet	360-568-2868 Buck
March 3 <sup>rd</sup>	ABATE of Oregon Swap Meet	503-285-4329
March 17 <sup>th</sup> (day)	Washington County Pool Shoot	503-357-1727
March 17 <sup>th</sup> (night)	SE Anniversary Party	503-760-9015
March 24 <sup>th</sup>	Lincoln Co. Long John Poker/Anversy	541-563-3711
March 25 <sup>th</sup>	AMO Swap Meet Albany	541-967-8137 Ted
March 25 <sup>th</sup>	Desert Race	503-656-5801 Billy
March 31 <sup>st</sup>	IceBreaker Salem Chapter	503-791-1640
April 1 <sup>st</sup>	Oregon 250	503-6414734
April 21 <sup>st</sup>	Renton WA Swap Meet	
April 22 <sup>nd</sup>	True Apostles Swap Meet	503-643-4725
April 22 <sup>nd</sup>	ABATE of Wa Spokane Swap Meet	
April 28 <sup>th</sup>	JJ's Benefit Poker Run N. Coast	360-665-6513
April 29 <sup>th</sup>	China Hat Race	503-656-5801 Billy
May 5 <sup>th</sup>	Motorcycle Awareness Rally and FREEDOM RALLY STATE CAPITOL Deb	503-469-0622
May 12 <sup>th</sup>	Oregon 500	503-641-4734
May 12 <sup>th</sup> - 13 <sup>th</sup>	Pony Mall Show	541-888-8081
May 18 <sup>th</sup>	Open HOG Brown Bag	503-335-3686
May 19 <sup>th</sup>	Willamette Valley Rhody Fest Poker Run	541-485-2352
May 19 <sup>th</sup>	Law Enforcement Poker Run	503-585-5114
May 20 <sup>th</sup>	Wash Co Poker Run	503-357-1727
May 20 <sup>th</sup>	Dual Sport Poker Run	503-670-9060
May 25 <sup>th</sup> -28 <sup>th</sup>	FOSSIL Campout	503-285-4329
June 2 <sup>nd</sup>	SE Portland Poker Run	503-760-9015
June 2 <sup>nd</sup>	GAY 90's Parade	541-888-8081

June 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Western States 1000	503-641-4734
June 16 <sup>th</sup>	Wash Co Roll-N-Ride	503-357-1727
June 15 <sup>th</sup> - 17 <sup>th</sup>	Washington Spring Opener	253-473-2276
June 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Angle's Run Columbia River	503-282-4604
June 30 <sup>th</sup>	N. Coast Around Saddle Mt Poker Run	360-665-6513
July 1 <sup>st</sup>	Hair Scrambles ??? Eugene	541-688-6352
July 4 <sup>th</sup>	Willamette Valley Chap Independence Day Run	541-485-2352
July 8 <sup>th</sup>	Salem HOG Poker Run	503-829-7005
July 13 <sup>th</sup> - 15 <sup>th</sup>	Coos River Run	541-888-8081
July 13 <sup>th</sup> - 15 <sup>th</sup>	Cow Chip Boogie	
July 27 <sup>th</sup> - 29 <sup>th</sup>	Run 21 SE Portland Chapter	503-760-9015
July 27 <sup>th</sup> - 29 <sup>th</sup>	Ocean Shores Rally	
July 28 <sup>th</sup>	BikePAC at the Sea	503-469-0662 Deb
July 29 <sup>th</sup>	Flying M Dual Sport Race	503-656-5801
August 3 <sup>rd</sup> - 5 <sup>th</sup>	Fox Creek Salem	503-791-1640
August 10 <sup>th</sup> - 12 <sup>th</sup>	Beaver Creek Lincoln Co	541-563-6526
August 17 <sup>th</sup> - 19 <sup>th</sup>	Summer Run Portland Chapters	503-777-5121
August 24 <sup>th</sup> - 26 <sup>th</sup>	SOS Run So. Oregon Chapters	541-821-1487
August 25 <sup>th</sup>	Rotary Air and Bike Show N. Bend	541-888-8081
August 26 <sup>th</sup>	Dual Sport	503-670-9060
September 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Sunset HOG Poker Run	503-335-3686
September 8 <sup>th</sup> - 9 <sup>th</sup>	AHDRA ALL HARLEY DRAGS Woodburn	
September 14 <sup>th</sup> - 16 <sup>th</sup>	End of Summer Run Wa Co/ N. Coast	503-861-1703
September 16 <sup>th</sup>	Show-N-Shine Coos Bay	541-888-8081
September 23 <sup>rd</sup>	ABATE of Oregon Fall Swap Meet	503-285-4329
November 4 <sup>th</sup>	AMA run sanctioning meeting	503-538-0979
November 17 <sup>th</sup>	Wash. County Chapter TOY RUN	503-357-1727
November 18 <sup>th</sup>	South Coast Food Drive	541-888-8081 Charlie
November 30 <sup>th</sup>	International Motorcycle Show	
December 1 <sup>st</sup>	International Motorcycle Show	
DECEMBER 1 <sup>st</sup>	SHRINER'S TOY RUN	503-771-0188
December 9 <sup>th</sup>	Salem TOY RUN	503-791-1640
December 15 <sup>th</sup>	TOY RUN Lincoln Co. Chapter	541-365-6850
December 16 <sup>th</sup>	S. Coast Toy Run	541-888-8081
December 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Shore Acres	541-888-8081

January 1, 2002

Trinity Road Riders Polar Bear Run

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January 5, 2002

Washington County Ice Cycle Run

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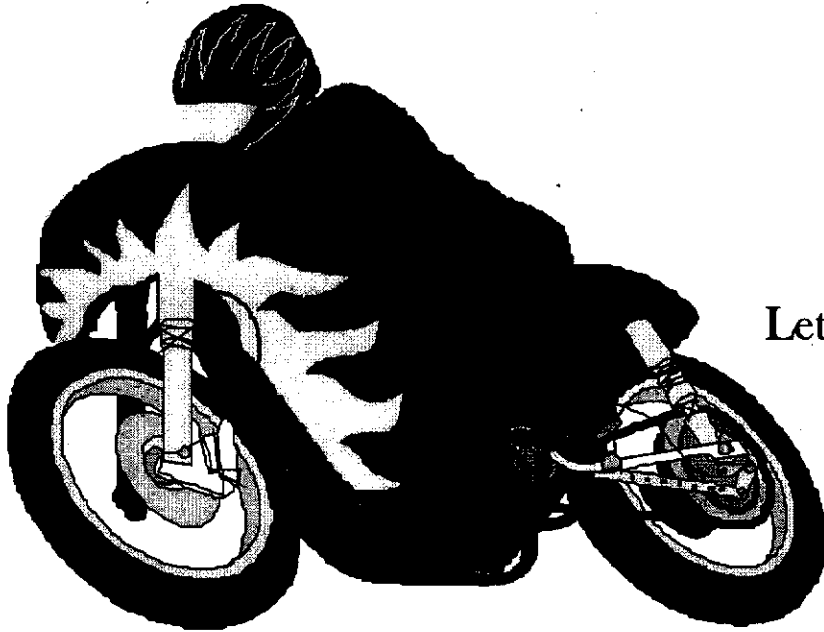
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## SUBMIT YOUR RUN DATES FOR 2001 TODAY WITH YOUR STATE RUN COORDINATOR.

Be a part of the solutions or quit complaining about the problems.

Please remember that your fliers need to go to the Sanctioning Committee and then to the Newsletter. A good thing to do is get them submitted **EARLY!** Try to give your flier a four-month head start so your event has a great chance of being talked about and people have time to plan so they can attend. Help your event be successful, **PLAN AHEAD!**



Let us all plan and go in the same direction so we are a stronger force as a united front.





# SUMMARY OF PROPOSED BYLAW REVISIONS

The legal workings of our nonprofit corporation are governed by a variety of sources: the Law, our Articles of Incorporation, our Bylaws, and the resolutions made by the State Board of Directors.

At the Abate planning session that occurred in October of 1999 the workgroup on corporate health recommended a review of the Bylaws and Rules of Operation. In April of 2000 the first proposed Bylaw revisions were submitted to the State Board of Directors for review and discussion. A decision was made by the Board of Directors to not take immediate action on the proposed Bylaw revisions. Action on this matter was postponed until after the Abate planning session in October 2000.

In August 2000, a corporate attorney did a review and evaluation of the original Bylaws and Rules of Operation, and also a review and evaluation of the proposed Bylaw revisions. From this review, a new Bylaws document was produced which was submitted to the State Board of Directors and the State Executive Board.

At the October 2000 planning session a Bylaws workgroup reviewed the proposed Bylaw revisions. From this a short-term committee was formed to make the final adjustments. Adjustments were made, then the Bylaws document was sent to the corporate attorney for final review. The revised Bylaws of December 4, 2000 are the result of the attorney's final review.

The proposed revised bylaws contain 95% or more of our original Bylaws and Rules of Operation. These two documents have been combined to form one document. The sources of the proposed revisions came from the IRS code, our Articles, the "Oregon Nonprofit Corporation Handbook", Dunn Carney Allen Higgins & Tongue LLP and the Bylaws committee members.

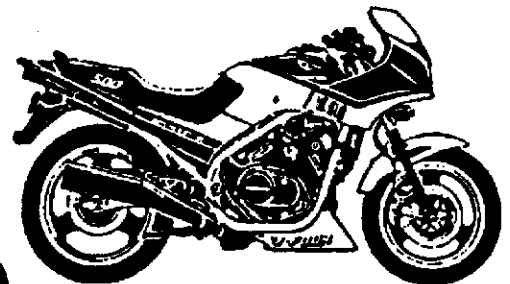
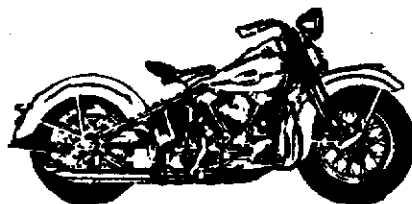
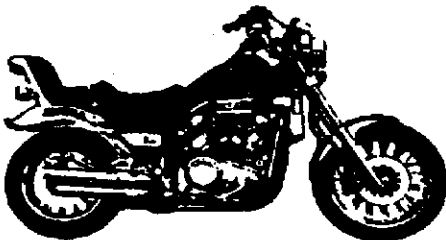
## REVISION SUMMARY:

The revised Bylaws are drafted in an "Article" type format.

(All changes / additions are in italic print.)

Article I	Name	addition of wording (A)
Article II	Jurisdiction	No changes
Article III	Purpose	addition of wording (A) (B1) (B2) (C)
Article IV	Organizational Structure	NEW
Article V	Membership	addition of wording (Sec 3) (Sec 4 A, B) (Sec 6)
Article VI	Chapters	addition of wording (Sec 2 A, B, F, G)
Article VII	Board of Directors	addition of wording (C, D, E, G1&2, H, I, J, K)
Article VIII	Committees	NEW
Article IX	State Officers	NEW
Article X	Grievances	NEW
Article XI	Discipline	NEW
Article XII	Finances	addition of wording (B2, B4)
Article XIII	Amendments to Bylaws	NEW Addendum

Jim, VC North



Section 2 - To remain as a Chapter in A.B.A.T.E. the Chapter must:

- A. Abide by the A.B.A.T.E. BY-LAWS, The State Guidelines for Forming a New Chapter, the A.B.A.T.E. Financial Policies and Procedures, the A.B.A.T.E. Media Guidelines, the A.B.A.T.E. Event Sanctioning Guidelines and any other A.B.A.T.E. documents that are relevant to Chapter operations or the corresponding future provisions of the aforementioned items.
- B. Abide by the decisions rendered by the State Board of Directors.
- C. Send copies of Chapter minutes to the State Coordinator within seven (7) days of the Chapter meeting.
- D. Insure the participation of Chapter State Representatives at State Board of Directors' meetings, unless excused by the State Coordinator.
- E. Submit a monthly Chapter report to the State Newsletter by the 10th of each month.
- F. Any Chapter in noncompliance with any of the aforementioned items for over:
  1. Thirty (30) days, will be put on probationary status
  2. Sixty (60) days, will not be allowed to vote at the State Board Meeting.
  3. Ninety (90) days, action will be taken to revoke the Chapter's Charter.
- G. The Charter of any Chapter may be terminated upon receipt of a written request by the Chapter's Coordinator, delivered by a Chapter Representative to the State Board of Directors. The State Board of Directors has the final authority in this matter.

## **ARTICLE VII BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

- A. The State Board of Directors will be the governing body of A.B.A.T.E. and will meet at a time and place to be determined by the State Executive Board.
- B. The State Board of Directors will be composed of one State Representative elected by each Chapter, which will constitute the voting membership of the State Board of Directors.
- C. The term of office for a Director is one (1) year.
- D. Director resignations or vacancies will be filled by election by the responsible Chapter.
- E. A majority of the State Board of Directors must be present and eligible to vote, to constitute a quorum.
- F. The State Board of Directors will use Robert's Rules of Order as a guideline to conduct meetings.
- G. Motions brought before the State Board of Directors which will directly affect the general membership will be referred to the Chapters for discussion and voted on at the next State Board of Directors meeting, unless a delay in voting will cause a disruption in the transaction of business by the organization.
  1. Only a Director may bring a motion before the State Board of Directors.
  2. Any member in good standing may draft or originate a motion.
- H. No Director shall receive payment for services rendered/provided to A.B.A.T.E..
- I. There shall be no voting by proxy.
- J. Special meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held at the time and place to be determined by the Board of Directors.
  1. Notice of such meetings, describing the date, time, place and purpose of the meeting, shall be delivered to each Director not less than seven (7) days prior to the meeting, by means of voice, mail or electronic devices.
- K. Any regular or special meeting of the Board of Directors may allow the usage of telecommunication devices to enable remotely located Directors to participate in the meeting, so long as all parties can hear each other.

**ARTICLE VIII**  
**COMMITTEES**

- A. The State Board of Directors may establish such other committees as it deems necessary and desirable. Such committees may exercise functions of the Board of Directors or may be advisory committees.
- B. Any committee that exercises any function of the Board of Directors shall have a minimum of one (1) Director or one (1) State Officer as part of the committee's composition.
- C. A quorum at a Committee meeting exercising Board functions shall be a majority of all Committee members present before the meeting begins.
- D. No committee may authorize payment of any part of the income or profit of the corporation to its directors or officers; may approve dissolution, merger, or the sale, pledge, or transfer of all or substantially all of the corporation's assets; may elect, appoint, or remove directors or fill vacancies on the Board or any of its committees; nor may adopt, amend, or repeal the Articles, Bylaws, or any resolution by the Board of Directors.

**ARTICLE IX**  
**STATE OFFICERS**

Section 1. State Executive Board (required positions)

- A. Coordinator
- B. Vice-Coordinator (1 to 3 positions as required)
- C. Treasurer
- D. Membership Secretary
- E. Recording Secretary

Section 2. Other Officer Positions

- A. Other State officer positions, not being Executive Board positions, may exist or be created as authorized by the State Executive Board and Board of Directors.

Section 3. Duties

- A. All State officers are to abide by the State Officer Guidelines, A.B.A.T.E. BYLAWS, and any other relevant A.B.A.T.E. documents in the performance of their offices.
- B. No State officer shall receive payment for services rendered/provided to A.B.A.T.E..

Section 4. Authority

- A. The State Executive Board, by simple majority, has the authority to:
  - 1. Issue statements on the behalf of the organization.
  - 2. Expend funds.
  - 3. Take any action deemed necessary to accomplish the goals of the organization

Section 5. Elections and Vacancies

- A. The election of State Officers shall be held at the last meeting of each year by the voting membership of the State Board of Directors.
- B. The number of State Officers shall be at least, but not limited to, five (5).
- C. Vacancies of State Officer positions may be filled by appointment by the State Coordinator, pending ratification at the next State Board Meeting, by the State Board of Directors.

Section 6. Rules and dates

- A. The nomination and election of State Officers shall be conducted under the supervision of the State Coordinator. The State Coordinator shall have the authority and responsibility to see that nominations are conducted in accordance with these BY-LAWS, with reasonable opportunity for each Director to vote.
- B. All questions concerning the conduct and challenges of elections shall be determined by the Executive Board, subject to the right of appeal by the Board of Directors.
- C. The term of each elected office shall be one (1) year, or until their successors have been duly elected and qualified.
- D. The State Coordinator will notify the Membership prior to November 1st of the election year that he/she will be receiving nominations for all offices, and that all Members eligible to hold office are eligible to be nominated at the next regularly scheduled meeting.
- E. Any member in good standing may make a nomination.
- F. The State Coordinator shall advise each nominee not eligible for election of the reason he/she is not eligible for nomination. The Coordinator shall also obtain assurance from each eligible nominee that he/she will accept the position for which he/she has been nominated.
- G. The nomination of an eligible absentee member can only occur when the absentee member indicates their acceptance of nomination, in writing to the State Coordinator.
- H. Only Members in good standing shall be eligible to vote or hold office.
- J. No elected Officer shall qualify to take office unless and until he/she meets the qualifications/requirements, set forth in these BY-LAWS
- K. All elected Officers will assume office on the first meeting in January.

**ARTICLE X  
GRIEVANCES**

Section 1. Procedure

- A. Member complaints, disputes, dissatisfaction, problems and etc., with or about A.B.A.T.E., shall be handled as follows:
  - 1. The interested parties are urged to talk to each other with a view towards agreement, resolution, or compromise.
  - 2. If necessary, the interested parties can present the issue at hand to the Chapter for discussion and possible handling.
  - 3. If conditions warrant it, the interested parties can request a hearing before the State Board of Directors.
  - 4. The State Board of Directors has the final authority in resolving grievances.

**ARTICLE XI  
DISCIPLINE**

Section 1. Procedure

- A. In the event that a Member of A.B.A.T.E. acts in such a way as to cause damage to A.B.A.T.E., its' Chapters, its' Officers or its' Members, a complaint may be lodged with a member of the State Executive Board.
  - 1. The State Executive Board will determine if there is merit to the complaint, and if so will initiate disciplinary procedure.
  - 2. Disciplinary actions may be one or more of the following:
    - a. A verbal warning or discussion.
    - b. A written reprimand.
    - c. Suspension
  - 3. The affected Member can request a hearing before the State Board of Directors.
  - 4. The State Board of Directors has the final authority as regards disciplinary actions. (As per Article V, Sec. 5A)

**ARTICLE XII  
FINANCES**

- A. The fiscal year of A.B.A.T.E. shall be January 1 through December 31.
- B. All funds obtained from membership fees, donations and organizational benefits shall be used for:
  - 1. Rider and non-rider education.
  - 2. Distribution or dissemination of organizational information.
  - 3. Legislative action.
  - 4. Organizational requirements and general costs incurred in the operation of the organization itself, none of which shall go to any member or officer with the exception of reimbursement of out-of-pocket expenditures directly related to A.B.A.T.E. activities authorized by the State Board of Directors and/or the State Executive Board.

**ARTICLE XIII  
AMENDMENTS TO BYLAWS**

- A. These Bylaws may be amended by the Board of Directors by a majority of directors present, if a quorum is present.
- B. Notice of proposed changes to the Bylaws must appear in the State Newsletter before being voted on by the State Board of Directors.

**Addendum:**

Articles of Incorporation history:

established 8/22/1975  
amended 9/27/84

Bylaw history:

established 8/26/1975, ratified 1/3/77  
amended 5/9/78, ratified 1/13/78  
amended 10/93, ratified 11/1/93  
amended 11/95, ratified 1/13/96  
amended 12/4/00

Rules of Operation history:

established 7/1/1980  
amended in 4/83, 4/84, 4/86, 6/89, 11/93, 1/96, 12/4/00 - included in the amended Bylaws of 12/4/00

BYLAWS Effective \_\_\_\_\_

As approved by the A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc. Board of Directors.

Editor's note: This is printed in accordance to the existing laws of the organization. Please read these and make comments to your Chapter Representative so they may take your comments and ideas of this major change in how our/your organization is structured... Any questions may be directed to Ted Tracy your State Coordinator. Copies of the original By Laws and Rule of Operation may be obtained through Ted also so that you may compare the difference.

This should be voted on at the February 2001 State Board. Voice your opinion or let someone else run your life for you.

Gordon



## **DRINKING AND DRIVING LIGHTS UP YOUR LIFE.**

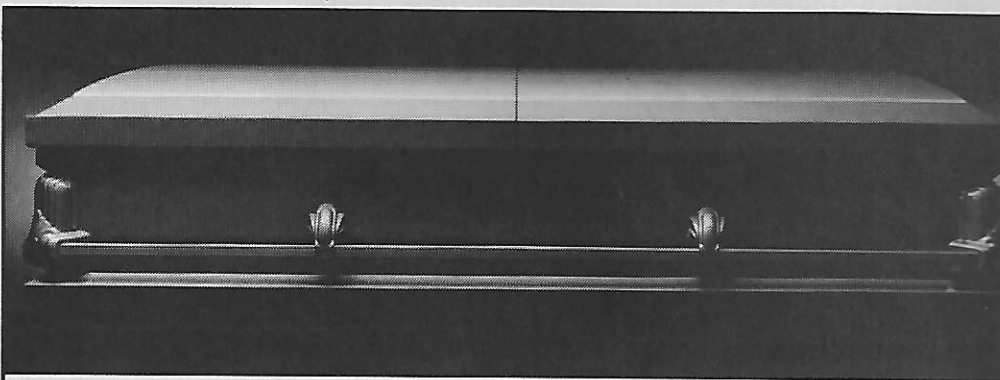
We'd like to shed some light on the subject of drinking and driving laws in Oregon. It's illegal to drive with a Blood Alcohol Content of .08% or more.

If you fail the breath test by blowing .08% or more, you'll lose your license for at least 90 days. If you refuse the test, you'll lose your license for at least a year. It's automatic. It's immediate.

Don't make light of the consequences. Drinking drivers kill and seriously injure over 10,000 Oregonians every year. That's why our laws are tough.

**The least you'll lose is your license. Guaranteed.**

Oregon Traffic Safety Commission



## **FOREVER YOUNG.**

Most of us don't think about dying. It seems like we'll stay young forever. And some of us do: drinking and driving is the number one killer of people under 25.

But if the thought of dying doesn't stop you from drinking and driving, think about losing your license

**If you drink and drive, the least you'll lose is your license. Guaranteed.**

Oregon Traffic Safety Commission

instead. Because you will.

Oregon has tough drinking and driving laws. And they just keep getting tougher. You'll lose your license for at least 90 days.

Automatically. Immediately.

It will seem like forever.



## **Drinking and riding crosses the line.**

Even a little alcohol can affect your timing, balance and judgment. You might not even feel it, but its effect can be deadly—even if you just drink one.

Don't let alcohol bring you down. Don't drink and ride.

**Ride Sober.  
The Way To Go.**

Oregon Department of Transportation

**HELMET / INFRACTION / STOP REPORT FORM**

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

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

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

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

**WHAT HAPPENED WHEN YOU WERE STOPPED?**

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

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

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

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

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

CITE # \_\_\_\_\_ 1st appearance: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ TIME: \_\_\_\_ : \_\_\_\_ am/pm

COURT LOCATION: city / county: \_\_\_\_\_

ANY OTHER CHARGES ISSUED AT THE SAME TIME? LIST: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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

If no explain: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Was your helmet confiscated? YES / NO Explain: \_\_\_\_\_

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

If YES was the explanation? WRITTEN VERBAL BOTH

If verbal, describe: \_\_\_\_\_

**WHAT HAPPENED IN COURT?**

Have you gone to court? NO: When is court Date? \_\_\_\_\_

YES : How did you plead? \_\_\_\_\_

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

If you pled NOT GUILTY, have you gone to trial? \_\_\_\_\_

NO : When is your court date? \_\_\_\_\_

YES : What was the verdict ? GUILTY NOT GUILTY

If guilty, what was the sentence? \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**DESCRIBE THE HELMET YOU WERE WEARING**

BRAND: \_\_\_\_\_ MODEL: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Label permanently fastened inside? YES NO

Was helmet modified? YES NO

If modified describe: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_



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

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

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

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

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

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

E-MAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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

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

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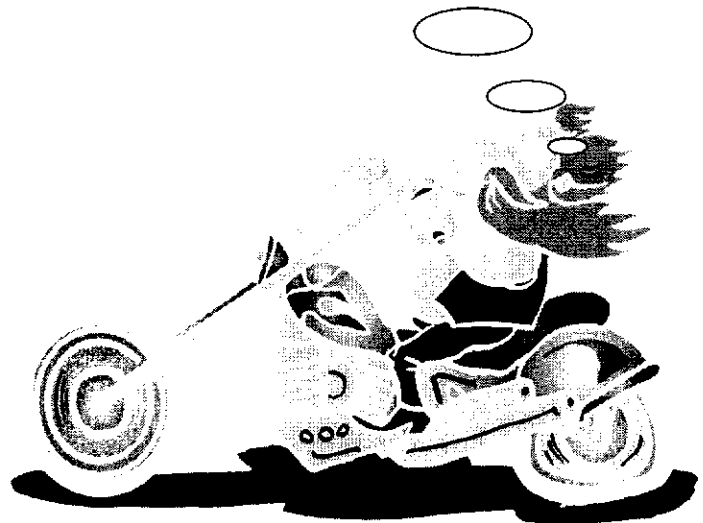
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Sunshine, sunshine, sunshine, sunshine,  
sunshine, sunshine, sunshine, sunshine.  
Well what do you think off when you  
ride in the winter rain?  
Oh yeah looking out for the other guy!



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**Happy New Year.  
Legislative Session is now in progress.**

**Take a moment.  
Now give it all ya got!**

**Chapter Meeting Places - Where & When**

1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY	S.E. PORTLAND	12:00 Noon, M/M Restaurant & Lounge 137 N. Main Gresham
2 <sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY	CENTRAL OREGON	2:00 PM Moose Lodge #323 3199 N. Hwy 97, Redmond
3 <sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY	SOUTH COAST	11:00 AM, Gino's Pizza, 1324 Virginia Street, North Bend
	SOUTHERN OREGON	2:00 PM, Oregano's Pizza, Gold Hill
2 <sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY	COLUMBIA RIVER	12:30 PM, Pizza Perfect, 6815 NE Killingsworth, Portland
2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> SUNDAY	SALEM	1:00 PM, Pietro's Pizza, 1637 Hawthorne Ave. NE, Salem
1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> TUESDAYS	RIVER CITY	7:00 PM, Zim's Brau Haus, 604 E 2nd St., The Dalles
2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> TUESDAY	WASHINGTON COUNTY	7:30 PM, PrimeTimeSportsBar&Rest, 4202PacificAv, ForestGrove
1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> WEDNESDAY	NORTH COAST ABATE	7:00 PM Astoria Eagles, 894 Commercial, Astoria
3 <sup>rd</sup> WEDNESDAY	N.E. PORTLAND	7:30 PM, RoundTable Pizza, 4141 NE 122 <sup>nd</sup> , Portland
3 <sup>rd</sup> THURSDAY	WILLAMETTE VALLEY	7:00 PM, Foxfire Restaurant 4740 Main St., Springfield
1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> FRIDAY	LINCOLN COUNTY	7:00 PM, Moby Dick's Restaurant, Newport