February 2023 A.B.A.T.E. of OREGON

Dedicated to the freedom of the road!

Let those who ride, decide!



Promoting motorcycle awareness, education, safety & liberty through community involvement and legislative action.



1. Make a Special Delivery

Buy a bouquet of roses, box of chocolates, or Valentine's cards and deliver them to your significant other while riding on your motorcycle. It's a smooth move when you give them these valentines yourself. If you're a secret admirer, a delivery on your bike can be a charming effort for a first impression.

2. Scenic Cycling

Roll out on your motorcycle and escape to a scenic destination. Ride to the mountains, steal some views at an overlook, and count the stars together in the evening. Bike to the beach and watch a sunrise or sunset. Come nightfall, see the city lights while getting around on your motorcycle.

3. Date Night

Put on your best riding jacket and go out for a date night. Pick them up at their place and try a new restaurant or a familiar favorite. Saddle up together on your bike and have a night out on the town as you cruise into the movies, a concert, or performance at a theater.

4. Pack a Picnic

This is a thoughtful gesture that shows off your affection while spending time together outside and leaving your worries behind. Bring a basket on your bike, hit the highway, and find a cozy spot to plan a picnic. You can lay out a blanket, maybe even spread out flowers, and share the picnic food they love most.

5. Get Dirty Off-Roading

If you've got a couple dirt bikes, this is a fun way to get down and dirty on Valentine's Day; whether you're riding through puddles or slinging around some mud, this is guaranteed to be a date they'll remember. Plan a lighthearted day on the trails for some heart-pounding thrills as you ride alongside each other on a pair of bikes. Show off your biking skills with stunts and tricks while you have a playful off-road adventure.

6. Teach Them to Ride or buy them a beginner class

Get up close and personal to the one you care about while letting them in on the other love of your life—your motorcycle. Share more on the experience of riding with a lesson alone together. Provide a tour of your motorcycle and each of its parts, give them all the safety gear and riding attire they may need, then go for a ride together. Maybe even surprise him or her with some gear especially made for them.



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WHAT IS IP-4 - Vote Before Tolls

- Vote Before Tolls is a statewide initiative addressing ODOT's now announced plans to add tolling and a \$/mile tax as the fourth and fifth leg of their future funding
- It gives us the right to vote **before** any new tolls.
- It will force ODOT to be transparent and include the public when planning for tolls

UPDATE

- We have a formal ballot title for 2024's IP-4 from the AG and there were no objections
- IP-41 (the 2022 measure) went to the Supreme Court and took over 14 weeks through
- That delay prevented us from gathering the 200k signatures needed for the 2022 ballot by July 1st2024 is not too late ... IP-4 is retroactive to 2018 and covers the current and future tolls. ODOT knows this is coming!
- Final IP-4 petitions are available
- signature gathering will resume ... we need 200k signatures
- You must use the new petitions, the old PDF and printouts CANNOT be used 0
- We have 18 months to gather these signatures ... but let's start strong!
- ABATE and your individual support is critical ... 200k is a big lift, but it is made easier by many hands.
 - each of you gathering 10 or 20 signatures will be VERY helpful

WHAT TO DO

- Sign up at VoteBeforetolls.org and we will send you a petition to sign and return please gather the addition 8 or 9 signatures before you return - mail or bring to next ABATE meeting)
- Share VoteBeforeTolls.org with your friends and family ... this is a statewide issue tolls are being planned across the state





STATE	BOARD	MEETING
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2nd Sat noon - 3:00 pm Ciddici's Pizza, Albany Join on ZOOM or call in:

Dial in number: 253.215.8782, Meeting ID: 882 2022 4742 Passcode: 421459

CENTRAL OREGON (CentOr)

2nd Sun 11:30 am Pappy's Pizza, N. Hwy 97 at Maple, Redmond 541.788.4972 Ed Miller

DOUGLAS COUNTY (DC)

3rd Thurs 6:00 pm Round Table Pizza, 2040 NW Stewart Park Ave, Roseburg 541.643.1798 Joy Reyes

NEW MEETING PLACE

HUB CITY (HC) 3rd Thurs 6:00 pm social hr Pop's Branding Iron, 901 Pacific Blvd SE, Albany 503.420.9181

7:00 pm meeting Shaun Todd

INDIAN CREEK (IC)

1st Mon 7:00 pm ZOOM Video Conference Meeting online- use ID#: 990 3994 7156 password: abate

phone- call (253) 215-8782 ID#: 990 3994 7156 password: 265523

JOSEPHINE COUNTY (JoCo)

3rd Wed 6:00 pm Fruitdale Grange, 1440 Parkdale Dr., Grants Pass 541.659.8715

LINCOLN COUNTY (LinCo)

3RD Tues 6:30 pm America Legion Hall, 424 W. Olive St., Newport 541.265.7586

NORTH COAST (NC)

3rd Tues 5:30 pm Moose Lodge, 420 17th St., Astoria

RIVER CITY (RC)

1ST Tues 7:00 pm Shiloh Inn, 3223 Bret Codfelter Way, The Dalles 541.298.5502

SOUTHEAST PORTLAND (SE-PDX)

M&M Restaurant & Lounge, 137 N. Main, Gresham 1st Sun 12:00 noon 503.285.43293 3rd Sun 12:00 noon Rotten Roger

TWO RIVERS (TR)

4th Wed 6:00 pm 541.729.5785 Roaring Rapids Pizza, 4006 Franklin, Eugene

Bill Foster

WASHINGTON COUNTY (WaCo)

2ND Mon 7:30 pm Prime Time Restaurant, 4450 Pacific Ave, Forest Grove

4th Mon 7:30 pm Hillsboro Elks, 21865 NW Quatama St., Hillsboro

> Do you see a change that needs to be made? Please email updates to news@abateoforegon.net



Contact A.B.A.T.E. to get involved! e-mail: pr@abateoforegon.net website: www.abateoforegon.net BikePac: https://bikepacoforegon.com





A.B.A.T.E. / BikePac VICTORIES

45 Years of protecting our right to ride!

1977 - Oregon's mandatory helmet law is repealed. ABATE membership CAMPED OUT ON THE CAPITOL STEPS day and night during this time. Legislators overwhelmingly passed the repeal law.

1979 - ABATE of Oregon proposed the state's first rider safety program that was signed into law in 1981 and went on to become the "Team Oregon" training program.

1988 - Helmet choice was again taken away through voter referendum during one of the lowest voter turnouts in Oregon history.

1988 - ABATE members form "BikePac" to have an official presence in the capitol.

1995 - BikePac facilitates the passing of HB 3422 which redefines the Oregon definition of a "motorcycle helmet" and reduces the penalty for not wearing a helmet to a Class D misdemeanor.

1997 - HB 2454 allowing for adult freedom of choice 1997 helmet reform (repeal of mandatory helmets) passes in both the House and the Senate, but is vetoed by then Governor John Kitzhaber.

1997 - Landmark federal court ruling that law enforcement cannot further inquire into whether a rider's helmet meets so-called "federal testing standards" if it meets the Oregon helmet definition.

1999 - REPEAL of the "handlebar height law" in Oregon. Ape hangers are now legal with no restrictions.

2001 - HB 3885 is passed allowing Oregon motorcyclists the right to fuel their own machines.

2001 - **2015**: The political climate for riders during this time was tough. However, at EVERY legislative session BikePac introduced helmet freedom of choice legislation. In addition, laws were stifled pertaining to a wide variety of rider rights issues including: motorcycle sound and emissions, rider law enforcement harassment and profiling, legal firearm transportation clarity, ethanol gasoline usage, all terrain vehicle laws, safety and training laws, and much more. Note: In 2015 Governor John Kitzhaber resigned opening improved relations for us in Salem.

2015 - SB 533 the "Dead Red" Light Bill passes! Riders can now proceed cautiously through a red light after 1 complete cycle of the light if one's bike does not trigger the green light.

2017 - HB 2598 "Vehicular Assault Bill" passes! - a "reckless" driver who injures a motorcyclist or their passenger can now be charged with vehicular assault — a Class A Misdemeanor. Driver can be sentenced to up to one year in prison and a maximum fine up to \$6,250. Great thanks to our A.I.M. attorney Christopher Slater!

2019 – SB 810 "Driver Accountability Law" Passes - effective January 1, 2020, adding motorcyclists to the "vulnerable users list." It also requires convicted careless drivers who injure riders to attend driver safety school and perform community service. Great thanks again to our A.I.M. attorney Christopher Slater!

2019 – HB 2314 "Lane Sharing Bill" for the third session in a row did not pass (blocked always in the Transportation Committee.) Great thanks goes to Patrick Leyshock for often taking the lead on this issue as he did an absolutely awesome job. We gained significant traction on this concept in recent years and continue to be confident in passing it!

2021 -- SB 574 "Lane Sharing Bill" would have legalized a limited form of motorcycle lane filtering in Oregon. Bikers and Riders working together got the bill to pass in the Senate and House with great bipartisan majorities. Unfortunately Governor Brown vetoed the bill citing a number of concerns which included the thinking riders would go beyond the law and it would be difficult to enforce. It is too bad because SB 574 was one of the most widely supported bills in that session. Bikers and riders will take another shot at it in 2023.

GET INVOLVED, MAKE A DIFFERENCE

All VACANT positions are up for grabs. We need our membership to step up and help support our goals in these positions. If you are not familiar with what the position details, give us a call and we'd be happy to go over what each one details.

Thank you for your support.





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A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc. **State Board Monthly Meeting** Cidicci's Pizza south, Albany, OR Also on the ZOOM platform January 14, 2023

Pledge of Allegiance led by BILL (TWO RIVERS CHAPTER) , followed by a moment of silence for any downed brothers and sisters and our military. Welcome all. This meeting was called to Order by Coordinator Joy Reyes @ . 12 NOON NINE (9) chapters were represented. NINE (9) of the Ten (10) chapters in attendance were eligible to

Chapters Excused: .N. COAST Unexcused: . NONE Guests &/or first time attendees. Will Foster from Two Rivers chapter, Heather Crawford from Douglas county chapter, Brad Hollis from SE Portland chapter, Susie Wentworth from Douglas county chapter and Mike Middleton

Welcome everyone.

from River City chapter.

JACK from.LINCOLN COUNTY chapter made a motion to accept the minutes printed in last month's monthly ABATE newspaper. Seconded by BOB from HUB CITY chapter. Corrections? Accepted? YES .

Note: (EB) = Executive Board (EB) **Coordinator**: Joy Reyes coordinator@abateoforegon.net JOY IS HAPPY TO BE HERE AND REMINDS US THAT WE ALL HAVE TO WORK TOGETHER. THERE IS NO "I" IN TEAM! (EB) Vice Coordinator (N): VACANT vcn@abateoforegon.net

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(EB) Vice Coordinator (E): VACANT vce@abateoforegon.net

Vice Coordinator @ Large: Jack Wingfield vcal@abateoforegon.net Jack gave kudos to T for the great job on the newspaper and she thanked Rotten Roger for all his support.

(EB) Recording Secretary: Deb Rheault-Kasner

secretary@abateoforegon.net 1) WELCOME EVERYONE TO A NEW YEAR AND TO NEW IDEAS TO HELP MAKE ABATE OF OREGON THE BEST IT CAN BE. 2) CHAPTER REPS., PLEASE FORWARD MY PHONE NUMBER to YOUR CHAPTER SECRETARY AND HAVE THEM CALL ME ASAP. THANKS.

(EB) **Membership Secretary**: Jackie Kilpatrick

membership@abateoforegon.net Troy asked if any of the Indian Creek new members had transferred from another chapter? Jackie didn't have that information at hand.

(EB) Treasurer: Karen Tolle treasurer@abateoforegon.net

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(EB) Sanctioning Officer: Cindy Witmer sanctioning@abateoforegon.net

OLD BUSINESS: ByLaws committee meetings. (Date(s) & time) will meet next week on ZOOM. T will send the link.

NEW BUSINESS:

1) Nomination for State swap meet Coordinator, Jimmy Kasner 9 of 9 floor votes passed. .

2) Answer from Central chapter regarding additions to current ByLaws. Yes

3) Nomination for V. Coordinator (E), Ed Miller He will consider Pro/Temp

State Auditor: VACANT auditor@abateoforegon.net

Newspaper Editor: "T" Velazquez news@abateoforegon.net Email her with any pic's, info., for the paper. She reminds us that each member in good standing has FREE classified ad space in the paper. T asked Karen if the advertising sponsor's are paid? Karen said she will forward them their yearly invoice this month. Joy & James N. asked about the mis-prints or the lack of, and was going to be taken care of. It was just brought to T's attention today and she will contact our newspaper printer after this meeting. Guest Heather gave T her card regarding printing prices and she'll compare prices with our current printing company. They will be in touch. **Public Relations**: Troy Stevens

pr@abateoforegon.net Troy received a xmas picture from ABATE of Washington. Deb will put it in the Historian book. He is still monitoring the ABATE group facebook page. There was talk about offensive pictures being posted. No offensive pic's will be posted

Web Page Editor: James Niece webmaster@abateoforegon.net He is continuing to update the web site. 2023 officers page & the Fossil page are a constant. HJames mentioned that when he sends a group "test" email, with a response requested. He's not

just doing it for fun. There is an important reason he's sending them, so please let him know if you received it or

State swap meet Coordinator: Jimmy Kasner swapmeet@abateoforegon.net The 1st swap meet is Sunday June 25th in Milwaukee @ The Elks Lodge. He says although he has only been in this position for a few minutes he is excited and asks all those who ride to start racking their brains about who they know that might want to be a vendor. Let him know.

Historian: Deb Rheault Kasner historian@abateoforegon.net NOTHING TO REPORT AT THIS TIME **State run coordinator:** Dave & Cindy Witmer fossil@abateoforegon.net The bands are under contract. The price of firewood has gone up to \$1,000.00, up front. They are asking for a minimum of seven (7) door prizes from each chapter. There was discussion regarding the Fossil run becoming a 21+ and older run. Deb mentioned that the contract with Wheeler county expires in March 2024. Wheeler county

doesn't want to do a long term lease for

Products Committee: VACANT products@abateoforegon.net Education Director: "T" Velazquez education@abateoforegon.net No report

Bear Hollow Park.

Sergeant at Arms (N): VACANT sergeantnorth@abateoforegon.net Sergeant at Arms (S): Bill Foster sergeantsouth@abateoforegon.net He will be at all the State events. Sergeant at Arms (E): VACANT

sergeanteast@abateoforegon.net **Legislative Director:** Bob Thomas legislative@abateoforegon.net There is a GAC (Governor's Advisory Committee) meeting on Thursday January 19th at 4:00 pm in Salem at 4040 Industrial Dr. The meeting is in person, online or by phone. You must pre register. They will be addressing motorcycle issues. BikePAC suggests ABATE officers or members be there. SB422 is the Lane Sharing bill being introduced. There are 13 bi-partisan sponsors. Contact YOUR local Senator and let them know you support this bill. Quartermaster: Gene Mortimore

quartermaster@abateoforegon.net No report MRF Representative: Bill Foster

MRF@abateoforegon.net HR366 Resolution passed on December 23, 2022. There were 103 Co-sponsors. Go to www.mrf.org/alerts for more info and to see what else is happening at the federal level.

BikePAC Rep. for ABATE: Bob Thomas bikepac@abateoforegon.net All riders need to contact their local representatives and let them know you support SB422, the Lane Sharing bill. Donations to BikePAC ARE deductible on your yearly taxes and a charitable contribution. You can deduct \$50.00 for a single person or \$100.00 for a couple. For more information go to www.bikepacoforegon.com

Motions: There are three (3). Motion #1 was brought forward by Tina (Douglas county) to give Joy Reyes, State coordinator, access to the State Facebook group page. Second by Jack (Lincoln county chapter). In Favor Nine (9). Against Zero (0). Motion passed. Motion #2 was brought forward by Jack (Lincoln county chapter) to add Joy Reves to the State checking account at OnPoint Credit Union. Second by Mike (River City chapter). Amended to remove the past State Coordinator, Troy Stevens at the same time. In Favor, Nine (9). Against Zero (0). Motion passed. Motion #3 brought forward by Jack (Lincoln county chapter) to nominate James Kasner for State swap meet coordinator. Second by Mike (River City chapter). MOTION WITHDRAWN.

Closing comments: Joy thanked everyone for coming today and looks forward to this coming year.

Announcements: Hub City's Chilly Buns run is February 19th THE NEXT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING IS FEBRUARY 11TH. www.abateoforegon.net

Motion to adjourn made by Joy (Douglas county chapter), Second by Jack (Lincoln county chapter Adjourn 1445 (2:45pm) Deb Rheault Kasner secretary@abateoforegon.net 01/14/23 secretary@abateoforegon.net



PROPOSED:

Wording change to current ByLaws Chapter Guidelines A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.

ARTICLE VI CHAPTERS Section 2 (F) reads: Any Chapter in non-compliance 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.

LETTER (F) Change to read as follows:

Any Chapter in non-compliance with any of the aforementioned items for:

- 1. Over thirty (30) days will result in being put on Probationary status. This Probationary status shall include a letter/email sent to the appropriate parties and the Chapter coordinator.
- 2. Over sixty (60) days, will result in continued Probationary status in addition to forfeiting their right to vote at the State Board of Directors meeting. Any event Sanctioning shall be suspended during this time. This step shall include a Certified letter, email and any other means of communication to the appropriate parties, the Chapter coordinator, and the Chapter Executive Board.
- 3. Over Ninety (90) days will result in continuation of the above sanctions, in addition to this incident being brought before the Board of Directors for a vote on whether to revoke the Chapter's Charter.
- a. If the resulting vote by the Board of Directors is "Yea", (yes to revocation), a third Certified letter and email and any other means of communication shall be sent to the appropriate parties and the Chapter's Executive Board.
- b. In addition to the Certified letter and email, the next Chapter meeting shall be attended by the State Coordinator, State Treasurer, One (1) State Sergeant at Arms and the State Recording Secretary to try and help bring the Chapter back in compliance.
- 4. In the event, that after following the aforementioned steps the Chapter is still non-compliant, only then shall the Charter be revoked and the Chapter be dissolved. All Chapter assets and funds will be surrendered to the State Board of Directors of A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc., if not already done.

PROPOSED:

Additional wording to current ByLaws Chapter Guidelines A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.

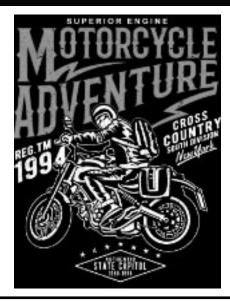
ARTICLE VI CHAPTERS Section 2 (G) reads:

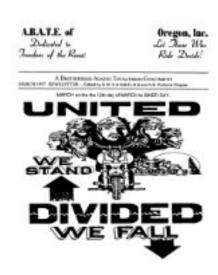
G. The Charter of any Chapter may be terminated upon receipt of a written request by the Chapter Coordinator, delivered by the Chapter Representative to the State Board of Directors. The State Board of Directors have the final authority in this matter.

Additional wording to be added is:

(1): Any Chapter, voluntarily or otherwise prior to surrendering their Charter, shall not transfer, give away, donate or dispose of any chapter assets or funds in any manner that has not been approved by the State Executive Board and the Board of Directors, prior to dissolution. This includes all monetary and physical assets.

secretary@abateoforegon.net







STATE COORDINATOR

Hello my fellow riders,

We as members, volunteers, and as an organization, believe in what this ABATE stands for and what it means to be a motorcyclist in Oregon under it's motorcycle laws. In Oregon, we have approximately 125,000 motorcycle riders and ABATE of Oregon only has 700 members. As your new State Coordinator, I would like to change that by getting the chapters out in the community participating in local events and spreading the word. As ABATE members, we need to support other local organizations and communities as well. We have some chapters, especially the ones up north, doing this very thing. Let's get all the chapters involved!

I'm really glad as your new State Coordinator that we will all work together not just as a team but as a whole organization to better itself in modern times. New laws are coming ahead in the next 10 years because of all the new electric cars and possibly electric motorcycles as well. Let's keep informed so we can make better decisions of our rights.

In the next year or so, we're planning of a huge ABATE rally of sort in the Pacific NW. Four states such as Washington Oregon Montana and Idaho will participate in a three day event. Possibly happening maybe next summer if planning goes accordingly. I have talked to a couple of state coordinators about a 4 state Rally and they are on board.

We have a new agenda coming up in the next couple of months of updating the BYLAWS for Abate as a whole organization to better function in modern times. Any changes that come to the bylaws is already formed by a committee of such and will be printed in the newsletter first to all members before voted on by the state board

I look forward coming into this new year with ABATE OF OREGON and I look forward in working with each and every one of you at some point in time. I'd like to also take the time out to visit all the chapters as well throughout the state this coming year and thank you so much !!!! for your support, help and volunteerism in ABATE of Oregon. Without its VOLUNTEERS this organization would not be possible!!!

Joy Reyes ABATE of Oregon State Coordinator



STATE MEMBERSHIP

We welcomed 8 new members in December: Jeremy Lemesany and JayLynn Sharpe in Hub City Chapter, Mark and Betty Rose in Indian Creek, Monica Kendall and Rebecca Nguyen in S.E. Portland Chapter, and Jack

Tautfest and Jolynn Enos in Washington County Chapter. These are applications I processed thru December 31st.

Twenty members sent in their renewals in November. The renewals are still slow coming in. Total Statewide we have 656 active members and 60 members are expired. I just sent out 81 renewal notices for March so those members will have time to renew before their insurance expires, I also sent out some second notices for those who expired in December.



Those of you who haven't sent in your renewal, remember using Paypal is still the fastest way to renew by using the link on the ABATE of Oregon web page, abateoforegon.net. You can also see what runs or parties are being planned at the web page. Also on the web page are links to see what legislation will affect all motorcycle riders. Check it out and keep informed.

I will be training someone to take over State Membership Secretary next month and I look forward to passing on the duties. I will still be active in ABATE as my chapter's Secretary and State Representative. Be safe out there on the highways and byways and enjoy being in the wind.

State Membership Secretary

Jackie Kilpatrick



Jeremy Lemesany JayLynn Sharpe Mark Rose Betty Rose Monica Kendall Rebecca Nguyen Jack Tautfest Jolynn Enos Hub City
Hub City
Indian Creek
Indian Creek
S E Portland
S E Portland
Washington Co.
Washington Co.



STATE SANCTIONING

Sanctioning Report

Every Chapter needs to look over this list of Events and runs. Once this is submitted to the insurance Company dates cannot be changed. If you need to make changes, please email me at sanctioning@abateoforegon.net.

2nd Saturday of each month is state meeting in Albany

1/21 Anniversary Party-Douglas County chapter

2/19- Chilly Buns Run/Hub City Chapter

4/1- Lincoln County Run

4/15- STEAM all day event

4/22 River City cherry festival run-the Dalles

4/22 Easter Run-Douglas County

4/23 Swap Meet.

5/1- May Awareness Rally

4/20 SE Poker Run

4/29-4/30 Swap meet-Jaco

5/25-5/29 Fossil Campout

6/3-Rocks, Lakes and Bridges-Central Oregon

6/11 Roll and Ride - Washington County

6/24-Thundering Water Run-Douglas County

6/24 Around the Saddle Mt. Run -North Coast

7/15- Roll and Ride-Hub City Chapter

7/15- Scavenger Hunt - Washington County

7/28-7/30 SOS Campout

8/5 Run to the Coast-Josephine County

8/11-8/13 Lincoln County Beaver Creek Campout

8/19 End of the Summer Run-Washington County

8/26 Poker Run-5E Portland

9/16 Teddy Bear Run-Central

9/16 Hub City Pienic

9/23 SE picnic

10/7 Toy Run-Josephine County

11/18 Toy Run- Washington County

11/18 Spaghetti Feed North coast

12/9 Chill feed and run-North Coast

Plus, it is very important for you to send me the venue name and address of every non policy run event. (campouts, swap meets, parties) that you need insurance for.

Thank-You Cindy Witmer

STATE TREASURER



No report



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MOTORCYCLE WIND CHILL CHART &

Riding		Air Temperature (°f)											
(mph)	15°	20°	25°	30°	35°	40°	45°	50°	55°	60°			
25	-4°	3°	9°	16°	23°	29°	36°	43°	49°	56°			
30	-5°	1°	8°	15°	22*	28°	35°	42°	49°	56°			
35	-7°	0°	7°	14°	21°	28°	35°	41°	48°	55°			
40	-8°	-1°	6°	13°	20°	27°	34°	41°	48°	55°			
45	-9*	-2°	5*	12°	19°	26°	33°	40°	47°	54°			
50	-10°	-3°	4*	12°	19°	26°	33°	40°	47°	54°			
55	-11°	-3°	4"	11°	18°	25°	32°	40°	47°	54°			
60	-11"	-4°	3*	10°	17*	25°	32°	39°	46°	54°			
65	-12°	-5°	2°	10°	17°	24°	32°	39°	46°	53°			
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NEWSMAG EDITOR

Well I can't believe it, this is my 13th edition of the newsmag. I feel like I've come a lone way. Hope you're enjoying the read! I'm still working off my small laptop and I think I'm kinda getting the hang of it. I'm always looking for contributors to send me articles and other things to share, and of course pictures of your chapter events! Please send me an email or give me a call, I'd love to hear from you.



Goodbye 2022 and hello 2023. Last year was rough and and I'm welcoming better things to happen in the coming months. I'm excited and looking forward in working with our new State Coordinator and team. There are also lots of event's going on throughout the year all over the state and I have planned to attend at least 1 event in all the chapters. Work less, play more! Yah, we'll see how that goes. I do have a 2 week motorcycle trip planned this summer along with a few long weekends with my motorcycle. The closer to summer it gets, the more excited I get! Life is good.

Thank you for all your support.

See ya in the wind~ T A.B.A.T.E. Newsletter Editor A.B.A.T.E. Education Director Motorcycle Trainer Motorcycle Advocate Motorcycle Enthusiast



Well, Hello All

I can only assume everyone survived the Holidays. If you are reading this, you will know I did as well.

I hope everyone had a great Christmas and New Year welcoming and had time to enjoy good times with Family and friends, Brothers and Sisters, Grandkids and MOTORCYCLES.

Motorcycles, that is what seems to have brought us all together in this organization. Whether it be from a Bikers Rights aspect or just the ride itself and the comradery of belonging to a like mind organization. With good people to share the road with and partake in runs and rallies, or long rides to that secret fishing spot, or "hey you gotta check" out the view from the turn out I found the other day" up in the hills. Whatever has brought you here, we need to spread the word to others and bring more people to the table so we can keep this organization running like a freshly oiled machine that it once was. Because with more and new people we get new and better Ideas as to which direction we need to go, to keep everyone interested and that seems to be what everyone enjoys. GO FOR A RIDE AND HAVE SOME FUN

DOING IT! But we still need to keep an eye on what others, NON-RIDERS, seem to think they have a say in how we should be doing with ourselves while enjoying what WE do, when THEY have NO concept of what WE DO.

I can only assume that with the new powers to be in our state government, that things will continue to be interesting, IF we want keep having the FREEDOM do as WE choose and ENJOY LIFE TO THE FULLIST, as long as WE DO NOT infringe on others, or let THEM infringe on US!

Support BIKE PAC, and ABATE, and get involved to let them know what WE want and what direction to point their efforts to support US.

RIDE FAST RIDE FREE RIDE FAR

Ed Miller, coordinator Central Oregon Chapter of ABATE of OREGON

DOUGLAS CO. CHAPTER



It's still raining, but 2023 is well underway. I'm sure we are all looking forward to some sunny weather! In the meantime, there's an opportunity for some winter maintenance, and cleaning up the machines... and to davdream a little about upcoming events and runs.

While we are entering a new year and have a bit of time, take

a few minutes to pull out, or look up on the Oregon A.B.A.T.E. Webpage the January Newsletter and read two articles: On page 2, the A.B.A.T.E./BikePac Victories; and then on page 1, The 12 Ways to Kill Most Any Organization (from 1981), just for the sake of information for new members, and as a reminder to those of us who have been around for a while.

Thank you to everyone that attended our Anniversary Party, we hope you all had a good time. We're looking forward to seeing you again soon.

Until then.

Ride Safe, Ride Educated, Ride Sober.

Becky Garino, Secretary



HUB CITY CHAPTER

Don Nash Chilly Buns is rapidly coming up, February 19. We start in Bi-Mart parking lot in Stayton and end at the Eagles in Albany. This year we have a sponsor stop at Cycle Country in Salem. Should be a great ride 75 miles or less, with fun stop and fun prizes at the end. Come out and join us.

With new year come our new officers and we have had several new members step up and take charge, again come out to our meetings at Pop's Branding Iron in Albany, food at 6PM, meeting at 7PM.

As your State Board Representative and Legislative Rep, I urge you all to contact your State Representative and ask them to support our missions, Lane Sharing and the fight against unwanted road tolls. Come to the meeting, I report on the current bills that affect our freedom to ride and enjoy our motorcycles. Several issues on fuel and helmets are under discussion and need to see the light of our membership.

Lastly check out our Don Nash Chilly Buns flyer in this paper and support Hub City in Education and awareness of motorcycles.

Hope to see everyone on the road.

Bob Thomas

State Rep



JOSEPHINE CO. CHAPTER



Happy New Year everyone! 2023 has officially begun. Welcome new state board officers as well as all new chapter officers. Good luck. With your guidance we will make 2023 the best one yet.

Dates for Josephine County events include April 29&30 Swap Meet July 28-30 SOS Campout Aug 5 Run to the Coast October 7 Toy Run

Not much has started, but all members are committed to chip in and do what is needed. We look forward to welcoming new friends and family at all our events and invite you to attend our monthly meetings. We are always open to suggestions and new ideas. Please come to a meeting and share yours with us. The third Wednesday each month at 6pm at the Fruitdale Grange, 1440 Parkdale Dr, Grants Pass.

Our March meeting will be a dessert potluck. Bring your favorite dessert and share with us. In June we are planning a meet and greet picnic at the park. Details will be released soon. Watch our Facebook page for spur of the moment rides or meetings. If you have any questions, please let me know.

Karen 541-660-8730

> Are you a member? Do you have something you'd wished you could sell?

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LINCOLN CO. CHAPTER

Happy New Year everyone!

There's not much to report yet. We are hanging in there and still meeting once a month. Our meeting place is at the Newport American Legion hall on Olive St. in Newport, OR.

We have been searching for a possible new venue for the Annual Beaver Creek Campout. As of writing this article, we are planning on continuing the campout this year along with a couple of poker runs. Stay tuned during the next few months for updates.

We hope everyone had a safe holiday season. If you haven't taken the new BikePAC rider survey yet, DO IT now!

It can be reached on their new website:

www.bikepacoforegon.com. Well that's all I've got for now.

May your HAPPY always be too loud.

Deb Chapter secretary

Keep your knees in the breeze!

NORTH COAST CHAPTER

Greeting for the last time my fellow members and riders. By the time you get this newspaper I will no longer be Coordinator of the North Coast Chapter. It has been a pleasure serving and making the lives of others in the community better. I truly loved what I did as did my wife.

This year marks 35 years of North Coast ABATE and I hope it sees 36; however if officers do not do their jobs properly, and the old guard doesn't step out all together with the exception of advice, then this chapter will go the way of others in this state. Disrespect of officers in a meeting and lack of action by other officers had led this chapter to lose membership as well as hard charging officers.

I hope others will step up to keep the chapter moving forward, but this remains to be seen. I also hope members step up and realize this organization does not work if you don't volunteer instead of letting others do all the leg work. Our rides are for charity, not for getting drunk and putting others at risk. Every member should be stepping up to help the organization, you wear the patch you pitch in and help with the success otherwise there will be failure.

Best of luck in the future and keep it rubber side down.

Doc Holiday Ex-Coordinator North Coast ABATE

RIVER CITY CHAPTER

River City ABATE January Report

Our annual Teddy Bear Parade and Poker Run held in conjunction with the Northwest Cherry Festival on April 22 is starting to take shape. Laura has volunteered to be the event coordinator. We are looking forward to sharing this fun event with you all.

Next chapter meeting will be Tuesday, February 7, 2023!

May the wind be always at your back....

Laura "Dilli"

River City Chapter Secretary

The River City Chapter of ABATE of Oregon meets the first Tuesday of every month at 7 PM.

Location: The Shilo Inn Suites The Dalles, 3223 Bret Clodfelter Way.







December 23, 2022

For Immediate Release

NHTSA Put on Notice Regarding the Profiling of Motorcyclist

This week, the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives agreed to a \$1.7 trillion omnibus spending package that funds the federal government through September 2023 and avoids a government shutdown. Attached to that 4,155-page bill is a request by Congress to learn more about the profiling of motorcyclists.

Within the funding section for the Department of Transportation, language was included that states: The Committee is concerned that National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) may be conducting activities that encourage states to adopt legislation, regulation, or other policies that unjustly profile motorcycle riders. The Committee directs NHTSA to report to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations on the extent to which the agency works with states on motorcycle passenger policies within 120 days of enactment of this Act.

For years the Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF) has worked to address the profiling of motorcyclists. We believe this action by Congress is an important step that will continue the dialogue on this topic. We cannot thank Rep. Susie Lee of Nevada enough for her leadership on this issue. Her willingness to seek answers from NHTSA is why this language was included in the final bill.

We hope that when NHTSA responds to the request from Congress, we will have more information to share with you.

Thank you for your continued support of biker rights and the MRF.

As always Ride Safe and Ride Free.

Support MRF by Becoming a Member!

SE PORTLAND CHAPTER

Hope you all had a very Merry Christmas and ready for a wonderful and Happy New Year.

The new year is upon us and lots of fun events are being planned by SE Portland ABATE. We will be having a 42nd Anniversary "get together".

We have decided to start out earlier in the day. (We are not getting any younger so earlier is easier for so many of us.) Time will be from 3:00 to around 9:00. There will be door prizes and a 50-50. Cover will be \$5.00. We were hoping for a band, but we thought it would be nice to have some back ground music instead. Bands will come in due time. when membership and participation builds back up.

As in the last few months, we are still fighting hard on getting petitions signed for the no tolls on our freeways. I hope everyone can get, at the very least, one full petition page signed and turned in. Go to NOTOLLSARMY.ORG to download a petition or come to a meeting a get some.

We still need a Co-Director and a Swap Meet Coordinator for the

chapter. Hope someone can take on a position. It is not a lot of work but could be a lot of fun!!

Here is a list of our upcoming events, please mark your calendar.

Anniversary party: March 18,

2023

Swap Meet: April 23, 2023 May Awareness Rally Poker Run:

May 5, 2023

Mother's Day poker Run: May 20,

2023

Downed Rider Fund Poker Run: June 24, 2023

Anna's Poker Run: August 26, 2023

Family Picnic: September 23, 2023

ABATE Shriner's Toy Run: December 2, 2023

Looking forward to seeing more of your faces at the upcoming meetings. Meetings are at the M & M Restaurant and Lounge 137 N Main Street in Gresham, on the first and third Sundays of the month starting at noon.

Anna Dahl - Chapter Secretary

Chapter Coordinator is Rotten Roger - 503-285-4329

TWO RIVERS CHAPTER

Hello from Two Rivers Chapter. We got all of our officers voted in for 2023. Until we have more members in our chapter, all we can do is keep our meetings going and work on getting new members. Everyone is looking forward to the new year and what it brings with it.



WASHINGTON CO. CHAPTER

N You Be

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Wouldn't you feel like I didn't give you a proper salutation if I hadn't said that? Everybody is saying it. It's a new year. A coupla' days after the 1st I unplugged the Christmas lights. They haven't been removed from the bushes yet but they aren't using any electricity now. They were run off a timer anyway, so brightened the

neighborhood only between the dark hours of 4:45pm to 11pm daily. Most other people on this street had lights up. So, I put up a very few lights.

Writing this short blurb causes me to sit and reflect

about things happening around me. Reading our newspaper reminds me that promoting motorcycling is good for everybody. Of course we all want clean air. Motorcycles create less smog than cages and don't use as much fuel.

Wash. Co. Chapter meetings have resumed. No Run Committee meeting in Jan. but a regularly scheduled membership meeting will have been held Monday the 23rd of Jan. 2023 at the Elks Lodge in Hillsboro. 7:30pm

Have you been riding? When the weather is looking dry and maybe the sun is even glaring, the thought of puttin' down the road becomes a vision in my mind. Then, it's raining again. I'm not whining. Yes, we need and want rain. Another complaint: All that little sandy

gravel on the pavement can get your attention. So, for now I'll iust start the bike up and let it rumble for a few minutes.

We had a great Christmas party/Meeting/Dinner on Dec. 17th at the Elks Lodge in Hillsboro. It was a fun event and good way to end the year. Upcoming events will be printed in this newspaper and presented on our website, also

facebook.

Watching bits and pieces of some of the 1960's "Outlaw Biker" movies makes me ponder how the average citizen views those films? Do those movies

influence the thinking of the viewers? What has Hollywood done to or for us? All those movies depict bikers as rascals. They usually do have some good riding scenes though.

Registered voters can sign IP4. Getting a ballot measure to the voters in 2024 gives us a voice concerning Tolls. The powers that be want to bleed us all they can. Tolling is a good scam for them. The ability of the people to vote on new revenue tactics gives us power. We can say NO!

Ride Hard. Cooper















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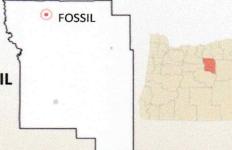
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Safety is always a top concern for motorcycle enthusiasts, and that is especially true when it comes to winter motorcycle riding. You can ride your motorcycle all 12 months of the year if you properly prepare for cold weather motorcycle riding. From the right cold weather gear to important winter motorcycling tips, keep reading for the ultimate winter motorcycle riding guide for cold weather.

Can You Ride Your Motorcycle in the Winter?

For some, riding their motorcycle in the winter is automatically out, and that's okay. If you are uncomfortable with winter motorcycle riding or feel unsafe, you absolutely should not do it. However, if you are determine to not let the cold stand in your way, plenty of bikers every year ride their motorcycle in the winter.

While some people really enjoy cold weather motorcycle riding, winter weather conditions can quickly become unsafe. Before you set out to ride your motorcycle in the winter, make sure it is legal in your area. Some regions prohibit motorcycle riding in the winter or enforce requirements when it comes to traction tires. Be fully informed about your local laws if you plan to ride in the winter.

If you are legally allowed to ride your motorcycle in the winter, make sure both you and your bike are prepared. The right cold weather motorcycle gear can keep you safe while you ride, and regular bike maintenance ensures your motorcycle is up for the task of winter riding. How Cold is too Cold for Motorcycle Riding? It's not recommended to ride your motorcycle below freezing 32 Degrees Fahrenheit (0 Degrees Celsius). Since motorcycles are smaller more exposed vehicles they are not built for extreme winter conditions.

Ultimate Winter Motorcycle Riding Guide for Cold Weather

Should You Warm Up Your Motorcycle Before Cold Rides? The answer is YES! You should always warm up your motorcycle before cold winter rides because certain rings, valves, & seals perform properly when oil is circulating at a minimum temperature.

This is the same reason that people need to <u>warm up diesel</u> engines in the winter because diesel becomes thicker in colder temperatures causing more stress on the engine.

Winter Motorcycle Riding Safety Guides Winter motorcycle riding can quickly go from fun to fearful in just seconds. From hidden ice and unexpected snow to frozen fingers and limited visibility, there is a lot to consider when riding in the winter. Keep the following motorcycle safety guidelines in mind if you plan on cold weather riding. Determine your level of comfort:

Not everyone has the same level of risk tolerance. Decide how comfortable you are with riding in the winter and set your limits. Go slow: Winter riding can be very dangerous and you are likely to face unexpected obstacles on the road. Slower speeds provide more time to react.

Know the winter obstacles: Salt on the road can cause a lot of issues for motorcyclist. Snow plow trucks also cause new cracks to form in the road that can damage your

Spot black ice: Stay away from anything that looks like ice on the road to avoid sliding or skidding. Increase your visibility: Plan to look further down the road while you ride in the winter in order to spot potential hazards as soon as possible.

Maintain a larger following distance: Adding more space than normal between the car in front of you can provide extra time to react. Stop riding if it snows: If snow starts to fall, it is best to go home as soon as possible. Snow can

quickly accumulate, creating new hazards on the road.

Accommodate cold tires: Cold tires can lead to less traction and slower reaction times. Consider how braking, accelerating, and leaning will be impacted by the weather. Stay up on maintenance: From salt building up on components to sticky cables, there is a lot to maintain in the winter. Staying on top of maintenance ensures you are ready to ride.

Top 6 Winter Motorcycle Riding Tips

In addition to general safety tips, there are several ways to make cold weather motorcycle riding more enjoyable. It is important to remember that the cold weather will impact your body is ways you might not expect or even notice at first. Even if you feel perfectly fine, it is crucial that you follow good safety practices to stay safe and comfortable.

Plan extra stops: Your body works harder in cold weather and you will need to rest more than usual. The temperature and weather may also change unexpectedly, and you are likely to see sundown sooner than normal.

Eat regularly: Staying full and fueled can help you keep warm in the cold weather. It is important to eat right if you want to ride in the winter.

Stay hydrated: Hot weather is not the only time to get dehydrated. Winter air can suck out moisture and you may not even realize it. Have a backup plan: If you are taking a winter motorcycle trip, prepare with backup stops to rest, work on your bike, warm up, and refuel.

Find a local tow and repair shop: Connect with a local shop that specifically services motorcycles to ensure you can always get help when you need it. Dress properly: The right cold weather gear can go a long way towards keeping you warm, comfortable, and safe.

How to Ride Your Motorcycle in the Snow

If it starts snowing while you are riding, you should find a safe place to stop as soon as possible Actively falling snow can quickly alter weather and riding conditions, making it unsafe to drive. If snow is already on the ground, but not currently falling, use the following tips to stay safe.

Ride on freshly fallen snow instead of compacted snow.

Only do one thing on your bike at a time, including braking, steering, and accelerating.

Use a higher gear to better control your bike.

Start braking earlier, and turn slowly and deliberately.
Avoid sudden inputs and stay light on your controls.

Always stay alert to changing conditions.

Make sure you are warm with proper cold weather riding gear.

What to Wear for Winter Motorcycle Riding

What you wear can make all the difference when it comes to winter motorcycle riding. Avoid chattering teeth, numb fingers, and a wind burned face by properly layering your cold weather motorcycle gear. Follow these tips to layer your motorcycle gear when riding in the winter.

Start with a base layer that is moisture-wicking.

Add a mid-layer of fleece or wool to make an insulating barrier. Invest in outerwear that is waterproof and breathable. Find gloves that fit snugly, and add heated grips if needed.

Wear a winter face mask and neck warmer that fit comfortably under your helmet to protect your face. Use heated gear if simple layering does not keep you warm enough.

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SALEM, Ore. — For Oregonians who drive, chances are that the vehicle they use to get around is much more fuel efficient than models from just a few decades ago — particularly if it's a hybrid or electric vehicle.

That's a net positive for drivers and for the environment, but not for the Oregon Department of Transportation. The agency relies heavily on revenue from gas taxes, and the money pays for upkeep on roads, bridges and other transportation projects.

In Oregon, the state part of the gas tax is 38 cents a gallon. For

Washington drivers, it's 49 cents a gallon. Both state transportation agencies are feeling the fuel efficiency squeeze.

As more people go hybrid or electric, there's a looming eventuality that gas tax revenue will fall off a cliff. In fact, it's something that both Oregon and Washington have ostensibly embraced. Following California's example, both states are set to ban the sale of new gas vehicles by 2035.

The problem has been a while in the making, which is why Oregon started a task force way back in 2001 to study the issue. It's been pumping out reports regularly ever since.

Along the way, ODOT created a website and program <u>called OReGO</u> where drivers can sign up to volunteer for a program where they pay a fee for every mile they drive on public roads. Currently it's just under 2 cents per mile.

The program isn't gaining much traction. About 700 people have signed up so far, either reporting their mileage to the state or by using GPS devices to track their travel.

The people driving hybrids are still paying for gas at the pump, so each quarter their account is balanced to credit the mileage fee against the gas tax, ensuring that they don't end up paying both.

Even though the number of OReGO drivers is small, the idea has grown and spread across the country. It's beginning to look like an inevitable solution — and not just for Oregon, but for other states as well.

On Wednesday, KGW's Pat Dooris spoke with state Rep. John Lively of Springfield. He's been a part of the pay-per-mile task force for 10 years, and said it's important to get this program up and going for everyone.

"We've been at it for a decade — came close last session when the bill passed out of the joint transportation committee, but did not get out of the ways and means committee," Lively said.

Lively said that there's a reluctance in the legislature, particularly among lawmakers representing rural areas who think that this system would disadvantage their constituents.

"There's some perception that a road user fee from the standpoint of charging per mile would penalize people, in theory, in rural (areas)," Lively said. "They believe they drive more miles (than people in urban areas). What we've shown though, in the studies, that's just not true. People in urban centers make multiple short trips but those short trips in many cases add up to far more miles than are being driven by farmers and that. So, first this perception it would cost them more is not correct."



According to ODOT's own accounting, the average driver in rural Oregon pays \$386 per year in state gas taxes. In Portland, the average driver pays \$229. So rural drivers do end up paying more on average.

However, there's nothing about the new pay-per-mile plan that disproportionately punishes rural drivers in a way that the gas tax doesn't already. Rural drivers already pay more gas taxes because they drive more. They would continue to pay more using pay-per-mile.

If the legislature passes a bill this year to take up pay-per-mile, it would likely take effect for new cars and trucks sold in 2028. Those buyers would be forced to get with the program, while anyone else would not — at least, not until they

purchased a new vehicle.

Another concern of Oregonians, according to Rep. Lively, is privacy. Many people worry about the state having the ability to keep track of the miles they drive, of "Big Brother" monitoring their movements.

"I understand that concern, but anybody that has a cell phone — the ability is already there for it to be tracked," Lively said. "Your cell phone is probably the most trackable device we own and almost everybody has one. But there are several options. We made options that people could just annually, monthly turn in their mileage. So they can tell us where the mileage started, where the mileage didn't, so that's one way they can report versus reporting from the car — so there's several ways in which people can report their mileage.

"But the key in doing it automatically is the systems now in place allow us to know whether they're driving on state highways or private roads, because our goal isn't to charge you for driving on private roads but only when they're using the state transportation system."

But once the program is launched and running, OReGO has already anticipated that local governments like cities will likewise want to use its technology to charge you for driving on their roads.

"Geo fencing" would track your car, and if you were in one of their designated areas, the city could send a charge that would be added to your pay-per-mile account.

For the time being, this idea still seems to be a hypothetical one — but it shows what officials are thinking about for the future.

In the meantime, Lively is gearing up to try and push the pay-per-mile plan through the 2023 legislature. And, he said, it's something he was willing to try himself.

"I volunteered several years ago, I'm part of the program. And I've installed one of those devices in my car that they automatically track my mileage. And then I get, on a quarterly basis I get a bill that I either own them more money ... depending on the efficiency of my car and the trips I'm taking, I either owe them some money or I break even," Lively said. "The fee now is just calculated on what the mileage would be based on the gas tax. So what the gas tax would be per mile. So I think on any given quarter, the most I pay is \$16 over the quarter where my car wasn't as efficient as I thought it was going to be."

The program won't become a statewide and mandatory one until lawmakers pass a bill like the one Lively has been pushing for. And because it's a tax bill, only a supermajority in the legislature can make it happen — meaning there will need to be some bipartisan agreement first.

Opinion: Former ODOT finance director says
Oregon needs to slam the brakes on tolling plans

ODOT crews began working on the Abernethy Bridge last year. The work is a part the project to widen and seismically strengthen Interstate 205. A "Frequently Asked Questions" page that ODOT has prepared regarding the tolling projects is very general and essentially has the tone that ODOT will mitigate traffic diversion impacts and look at ways to reduce the impact of tolls on low income persons. Their traffic studies conclude that tolling will reduce trip times on I-205 by 14 minutes over the 7 miles between the Tualatin River Bridge and just north of the Abernethy Bridge 20 years in the future, compared to the alternative not to implement tolling.

I doubt this will be the case, as these forecasts always miss the mark. Traffic speeds always slow and congestion resumes much sooner than projections. Of course I am talking about congestion on the freeway, not the traffic diverted to local roads. These roads will be gridlocked the day the tolls are in effect, in my opinion. Traffic studies would need verify that these opinions are true.

There are no improvements I am aware of that can offset the effects of growing population and employment numbers in the greater Portland area. Of course, adding lanes to I-5 and I-205 will increase traffic capacity and allow temporary (probably less than five years) improved traffic speeds, even with increased traffic volumes on I-205. Future increases in population densities allowed by land use plans will produce more trips than can be accommodated by the projects in the current 20-year transportation plans.

Traffic diverted to roads and streets not designed to handle this traffic is unavoidable with I-205 tolling. There is already diversion to the local roads when there are accidents on 205 and when there are periods of congestion in the absence of crashes. Traffic diversion will have a significantly adverse impact on schools, neighborhoods and commercial areas in Tualatin, West Linn, Oregon City, Lake Oswego and Canby. These areas will be degraded by these diverted trips and will experience increased traffic accidents and be less safe for not only cars and trucks, but pedestrians and bicyclists as well.

It will be important that traffic studies address this as well as the social justice element of the forthcoming environmental assessment required by the federal government. These impacts appear to warrant the preparation of a draft and final environmental impact statement (EIS). An EIS process will allow much more debate and time to find another funding source — one that does not have the significantly adverse social and economic impacts. Again, traffic studies should address the net traffic diversion impact that tolls will have on local communities. These numbers should make the point that a non-tolled capacity improvement is needed on I-205. There should be a comparison of travel time savings on the freeway to the adverse impacts of traffic diversion on local roads and streets. Frankly, the traffic diversion that happens today should have led long ago to the traffic impact mitigation measures briefly touched upon in ODOT's FAQs information.

In my opinion, if ODOT is to increase the capacity of I-5 and I-205 in the areas under study, they should not use a funding quirk in FHWA's tolling regulations to do this. One wonders what transportation projects/funding the Oregon congressional delegation lobbied for and got in the recently adopted federal omnibus spending bill. The JPACT table should address this and debate whether funds now assigned to other projects or federally earmarked funds can be transferred to the I-5 and I-205 projects. These types of transfers happened 30 years ago to get the extension of light rail to Hillsboro. Eventually, ODOT built the street and highway improvements these funds were diverted from.

Finally, the setup for congestion pricing using bridge tolls now under consideration is not beneficial in the I-5 and I-205 corridors. The adverse impacts of traffic diversion to roads and streets not designed to handle this traffic will degrade livability of neighborhoods taking the brunt of diverted traffic, harm businesses and be a major financial hardship on many users of I-205. My assumption is tolling will divert significantly more traffic than the alternative of building the improvements without using toll revenue to fund the projects.

ODOT and the region should find another source of funds to replace tolls before proceeding with the proposed projects.

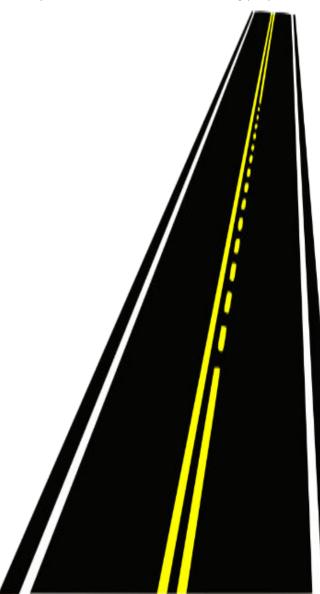
Cam Gilmour is now retired from serving as ODOT's deputy director of finance and administration, Clackamas County's director of transportation and development and the state of Washington's transportation department's chief operating officer.

Find out the wheres, whats, whens and whys of the fees coming soon to Portland's roads.

Activists call for public input on incoming tolls

<u>Clackamas County group hopes to put tolling on the ballot in 2024</u>

County commissioners blast I-205 tolling proposal



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U.S. HOUSE JOINS SENATE IN OPPOSING MOTORCYCLIST PROFILING

On December 23, 2022, in one of the last actions of the 117th Congress before adjourning, the U.S. House of Representatives approved H. Res.366; "Promoting awareness of motorcyclist profiling and encouraging collaboration and communication with the motorcycle community and law enforcement officials to prevent instances of profiling."

The House now joins with the U.S. Senate in passing separate resolutions opposing the discretionary profiling of motorcyclists by law enforcement, defining it as; "motorcyclist profiling means the illegal use of the fact that a person rides a motorcycle or wears motorcycle-related apparel as a factor in deciding to stop and question, take enforcement action, arrest, or search a person or vehicle with or without legal basis under the Constitution of the United States."

Sponsored by Rep. Tim Walberg (R-MI), House Resolution 366 garnered 103 bipartisan cosponsors, and is similar to Senate Resolution 154 passed by the U.S. Senate in 2018 which likewise urges state law enforcement officials to condemn the discriminatory policy.

Accordingly, H.Res.366 states;

"Now, therefore, be it Resolved, That the House of Representatives –

- (1) promotes increased public awareness on the issue of motorcyclist profiling;
- (2) encourages collaboration and communication with the motorcyclist community and law enforcement to engage in efforts to end motorcyclist profiling; and

(3) urges State law enforcement officials to include statements condemning motorcyclist profiling in written policies and training materials."

Meanwhile, in addition to the federal efforts to prevent anti-biker profiling, the five states of Washington (2011), Maryland (2016), Louisiana (2019), Idaho (2020) and most recently New Hampshire (2022) have all enacted laws at the state level to curb profiling.

NHTSA CHALLENGED ON ANTI-MOTORCYCLIST PROFILING

On December 20, 2022, the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives agreed to a \$1.7 trillion omnibus spending measure that will fund the federal government through September, avoiding a government shutdown, but attached within the funding section for the Department of Transportation is language from House Report 117-402 inserted at the request of Rep. Susie Lee (R-NV) that questions the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) about their role in the promulgation of anti-motorcyclist profiling;

"The Committee is concerned that National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) may be conducting activities that encourage states to adopt legislation, regulation, or other policies that unjustly profile motorcycle riders. The Committee directs NHTSA to report to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations on the extent to which the agency works with states on motorcycle passenger policies within 120 days of enactment of this Act."

SAVE THE PATCH: MONGOLS M/C KEEP THEIR TRADEMARK LOGO

The Mongol Nation Motorcycle Club can keep their trademark logo, a backpatch typically worn on jackets and vests by members, thanks to a Ninth Circuit ruling handed down on January 6, 2023. But the three-judge panel also declined to overturn the 2018 criminal conviction of the organization on federal racketeering charges, reports Courthouse News Service.

Stephen Stubbs, the Mongols general counsel, called the ruling "a victory not only for the Mongols Motorcycle Club, but for all motorcycle clubs, freedom, and America as a whole."

As backdrop to the now-infamous courtroom battle with far-reaching implications for America's biker community; after a decade-long prosecution 77 members were convicted, as was the Mongols organization itself, under the Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act (RICO). A federal jury ordered the club be fined \$500,000 and forced to forfeit a large stockpile of vests, guns and ammunition seized by federal agents in raids. The jury also decided the club should forfeit their trademarked patch over to the government.

Months after the verdict, U.S. District Judge David Carter said the Mongols could keep their trademark, ruling that such a forfeiture would violate its First Amendment rights to free speech and association, and would also constitute an excessive fine prohibited by the Eighth Amendment

Both parties appealed. The Mongols argued the organization wasn't an indictable "person" under the RICO statute. The federal government asked the Ninth Circuit to simply dissolve the Mongols' trademark, effectively allowing anyone to buy and sell products with the design.

In a unanimous opinion, U.S. Circuit Judge Holly Thomas wrote that the RICO law's forfeiture provision only allows the government to seize property, not destroy it.

Attorney Stubbs applauded the appellate ruling, saying that the "Mongol Nation is thrilled to push back against government overreach and win this important freedom of speech battle, first in the federal district court, and then at the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals," and adding that "The Mongol patch is a symbol of the esteemed brotherhood of its members, and the Ninth circuit stood strong against the government's unconstitutional attempt to ban and extinguish important symbolic free speech."

HARLEY-DAVIDSON GOING ALL-ELECTRIC American motorcycle company Harley-Davidson, known for its large-engine heavyweight cruiser motorcycles, is transitioning to become an allelectric brand, explains its CEO Jochen Zeitz.

"At some point in time, Harley Davidson will be all-electric," he told Dezeen in an interview. "But that's a long-term transition that needs to happen. It's not something you do overnight."

The Motor Company launched its first electric motorcycle in 2018, named LiveWire, and according to Zeitz electrification is the next logical step in the evolution of the brand that was established 120 years ago.

"If you look at the past 120 years, the company has always evolved, never stood still," he said. "Now, like the founders did at the time by trying to

reinvent or invent something unique, that's obviously something that we as a company brand need to do as well."

Harley's planned timeline to become fully electric is longer than many other auto companies, however, with several leading car brands stating that they will be all electric by 2030.

WYOMING LAWMAKERS PROPOSE BAN ON ELECTRIC VEHICLES

A group of GOP Wyoming state lawmakers want to end electric vehicle sales there by 2035, saying the move will help safeguard the oil and gas industries, which employ thousands of people in the state.

The measure, introduced to the state legislature on January 13, was sponsored by six state legislators, who said in it that electric vehicles will hinder Wyoming's ability to trade with other states. According to "The Hill," the bill states that citizens and industries would be encouraged not to purchase electric vehicles before the ban goes into effect.

"The proliferation of electric vehicles at the expense of gas-powered vehicles will have deleterious impacts on Wyoming's communities and will be detrimental to Wyoming's economy and the ability for the country to efficiently engage in commerce," the bill reads. The legislation further states that adding new power charging stations would require "massive" amounts of new power to "sustain the misadventure of electric vehicles"

Fifteen other states, meanwhile, including New York and California, have moved to ban gaspowered vehicle sales.

UGANDA TO GIVE RIDERS A FREE ELECTRIC MOTORCYCLE

Ugandan President Yoweri Kaguta Museveni is looking to go green, by handing out a free electric motorcycle to all of the region's riders. President Museveni is planning on tackling pollution by providing riders with a completely free electric motorbike, including the region's 100,000+ Boda-Boda riders, who are self-employed motorcycle taxis.

The system will be a trade-in, with riders swapping their current petrol bike for a new fully electric motorcycle, and the government is installing a network of charging stations across the country to support the move.

With around 70 percent of East Africa's transport being handled by lightweight small-capacity bikes, the scheme looks set to remove many of those machines from the region's roads.

LEGENDARY MOTORCYCLE DAREDEVIL ROBBIE KNIEVEL -- R.I.P.

'Kaptain Robbie Knievel' followed his famous daredevil father, Evel Knievel, into the high-flying, bone-shattering world of motorcycle stuntriding, going on to break all of his dad's jump records and even successfully clearing the fountains at Caesars Palace that famously nearly killed the elder stuntsman. Decked out in star-spangled leathers, Robbie Knievel landed more than 350 jumps over a death-defying 30-year career, and he died January 13, 2023 of pancreatic cancer at his home in Reno, Nevada at age 60.

FORMER MOTORCYCLE RACER AND OTHER YOUNG ATHLETES 'DIE SUDDENLY'
A former NFL defensive tackle and a champion motorcycle racer are the latest examples of

apparently healthy people dying suddenly amid evidence the COVID-19 mRNA shots are causing serious heart damage at a rate exponentially higher than for previous vaccines.

Citing the available scientific evidence, an article on WND.com claims that "Prominent cardiologists tie alarming trend to COVID shots" and they believe the best explanation for the rampant "sudden and unexpected" deaths and cardiac events in otherwise healthy people, such as 35-year-old Keith Farmer, a four-time British motorcycle racing champion, and 45-year-old Adrian Dingle, who spent five seasons with the San Diego Chargers, is the COVID-19 vaccines.

In the past, long before the COVID vaccines, athletes who died suddenly typically were diagnosed with hypertrophic cardiomyopathy, an abnormal thickening of the heart, or premature heart blockage. Nowadays, athletes are thoroughly screened to rule out those conditions.

Peer-reviewed literature shows the vaccines can cause myocarditis, the article reports, which is an inflammation of the heart wall that can lead to heart failure and sudden death.

STURGIS CHARITABLE DONATIONS SURPASS \$2 MILLION

Motorcyclists who took part in the Sturgis Buffalo Chip charity events for 2022 raised a generous \$400,000 for Veterans, charities for children and the community. The figure pushes the grand total that Sturgis Buffalo Chip has raised for charity during the Sturgis Rally to over \$2.1 million.

"We are continually blown away by our guests' desire to give back," said Rod Woodruff, president of Sturgis Buffalo Chip. "People from all over come here to let loose and have a fun vacation, and yet they still take the time and spend their hard-earned dollars to give through Buffalo Chip charity events. With the help of all our friends, we've raised over \$2 million to help children, injured American war veterans and our local community. Just two years ago, we broke the million-dollar mark, and now we're over two million. We are so blessed to be part of the giving spirit of the motorcycle community."

2023 NCOM CONVENTION IN PHOENIX -- MARK YOUR CALENDAR

The 38th annual Convention is scheduled for Father's Day weekend, June 16-18, 2023 in Phoenix, Arizona, so plan ahead to join with hundreds of fellow concerned riders from the ranks of Motorcycle Rights Organizations (MROs), clubs (Confederations of Clubs) and independent riders, with agenda items dealing with legal and legislative issues affecting all motorcyclists, so check back at www.ON-A-BIKE.com for further details from the National Coalition of Motorcyclists as they become available.

QUOTABLE QUOTE: "Daredevils don't live easy lives."~ Kelly Knievel, brother of 'Kaptain Robbie Knievel' (05/07/62 – 01/13/23)

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2023 BILLS WE'RE TRACKING:

HB2426 AND THE POTENTIAL AMENDMENT

Authorizes self-service dispensing of Class 1 flammable liquids at retail dispensary.

HB 2707

Requires sentencing court to order person convicted of drunk driving offense that resulted in death of victim to pay restitution to surviving child of victim in form of child maintenance.

HB 2316

Expands offense of driving while under influence of intoxicants to include any substance that, when taken into human body, can impair the ability of person to operate vehicle safely.





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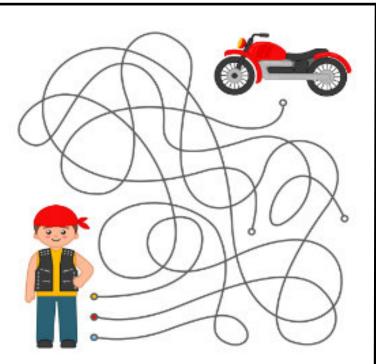




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Here's the bill HB 2426

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