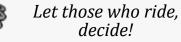
March 2023 A.B.A.T.E. of OREGON

Dedicated to the freedom of the road!





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



BikePAC of Oregon

2023 Bills to watch

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.

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.

BikePac of Oregon is an allvolunteer political action committee funded entirely through annual memberships and donations from A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon and other concerned individuals and groups. We do not hold poker runs, fund raisers, and so-forth to raise money. During legislative sessions we have one or more members lobbying in person for your rights as a rider at the Oregon State Capitol while the legislature is present in Salem. Our only public event is held the first Saturday in May each year on the Capitol steps.

To find your representative go here bikepacoforegon.com

As I write this article, there is no hearing on SB422, Lane Sharing but it will be soon! Stay alert for the call to action from BikePAC!

Lane Sharing message should begin with

- 1) Relieves congestion, fewer cars on the road, more motorcycles, traffic moves faster.
- 2) Protection of environment, flat out motorcycles get better mileage than most of the cars on the road.
- 3) Lastly but most important to us, is its is safer for motorcycles to Lane Share.

The Berkley study shows that it is safer, logic also does, easier to survive a side swipe than squished in between two idiot cars on their cell phones. Those are the three messages we are using to tell Legislators.

SB422 is Lane Sharing, exactly like the bill introduced in 2021, vetoed by Gov Brown. Basically it is for Highways only with posed speeds over 50 MPH and the traffic must be stopped, or doing less than 10 MPH. The rider can do no more than 10 MPH over the traffic (20MPH). The rider must safely merge back into traffic once its moving over 10 MPH. There are a couple of things you can't do-- Drive between curb and bicycle lane or parking lane-- can't share the outside strip of roadway-- and never in a school zone.

No one is making you Lane Share but it would be a great option for those who are stuck in traffic on 217 in 100 degree weather. Please check out bikepacoforegon.com for more information.

Bob Thomas A.B.A.T.E. BikePAC Representative

Working to legalize motorcycle lane sharing in Oregon

LANE SHARE OREGON laneshareoregon@gmail.com

LANE SHARE OREGON SUPPORTS SENATE BILL 422 FOR THE 2023 LEGISLATIVE SESSION.

Senate Bill 422 (SB422) is identical to 2021's SB574, which received exceptionally strong support from both the legislature and the motorcycling community; see below for a brief history of SB574.

We will need your help to pass SB422 - stay tuned for specific requests.

Please subscribe to our email list for more information. We'll never spam your inbox, we only communicate at strategic moments during campaign pushes. You can also contact laneshareoregon@gmail.com with any auestions.

A BRIEF HISTORY OF 2021'S SENATE BILL

Senate Bill 574 would have legalized a limited form of motorcycle lane filtering in Oregon. The

- * passed full Senate and House floor votes, with 3-to-1 bipartisan majorities
- * had 17 sponsors, with a nearly even split of Democrats and Republicans, House and

Senate, from rural, urban, and suburban districts

- * received written support from over 600 Oregon motorcyclists
- * was endorsed by many Oregon businesses and organizations
- * received a "Do Pass" recommendation from the Joint Committee on Transportation

GOVERNOR BROWN VETOED THE BILL ON MAY 26TH, CITING NUMEROUS CONCERNS. INCLUDING NONCOMPLIANCE AND ENFORCEMENT.

Senate Bill 574 was one of the most widely supported bills in the current legislative session. a vivid illustration of elected officials successfully working together to support Oregonians.

Commenting on the veto, Senator Michael Dembrow, first Chief Sponsor of the bill, wrote "the Governor obviously has the responsibility of acting to promote public safety, and I generally agree with her actions towards that end. This time I think she's making a mistake."

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A.B.A.T.E. **Meeting Times** and Locations



STATE BOARD MEETING

DOUGLAS COUNTY (DC)

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

CENTRAL OREGON (CentOr)

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

Ed Miller

Passcode: 421459

541.788.4972

541.294.1123

503.420.9181

Shaun Todd

Susie Wentworth

3rd Thurs 6:00 pm Round Table Pizza, 2040 NW Stewart Parkway, Roseburg

NEW MEETING PLACE

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

7:00 pm meeting

INDIAN CREEK (IC)

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)

1st Mon 7:00 pm

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)

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

12:00 noon 3rd Sun

Rotten Roger TWO RIVERS (TR)

541.729.5785 4th Wed 6:00 pm 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



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

2023 Oregon A.B.A.T.E State Officers

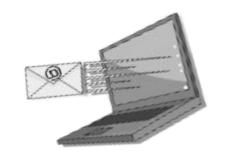
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All VACANT positions are up for grabs. We need our membership to step up and help support our goals in these positions.

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.



A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.
State Board Monthly Meeting
Cidicci's Pizza south, Albany, OR
Also on the ZOOM platform
February 11, 2023
Pledge of Allegiance led by BILL
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

@ 12:20

chapters were represented. EIGHT (8) of the Ten (10) chapters in attendance were eligible to vote. Chapters Excused: NONE Unexcused: .DOUGLAS & N. COAST

Guests &/or first time attendees.

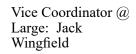
Welcome everyone.

BOB from.HUB CITY chapter made a motion to accept the minutes printed in last month's monthly ABATE newspaper. Seconded by JACK from the LINCOLN CO. chapter.
Corrections? Yes. I didn't mention our new Membership secretary Glenna Grosen from the Washington county chapter. So sorry Glenna! ALSO V.COORDINATOR (E) IS ED MILLER (pro tem).
Accepted? YES.
Note: (EB) = Executive Board (EB) Coordinator: Joy Reyes coordinator@abateoforegon.net Opening comments: Welcome to our

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Opening comments: Welcome to our new Membership Secretary Glenna
Grosen and to the newest Chapter
Reps, Brad Hollis from the SE
Portland chapter and Mike Middleton from River City chapter. JOY
MENTIONED HOW OUR CELL
PHONES CAN BE AGAINST US.
SOMETIMES MESSAGES DON'T
SEND OR ARRIVE AS EXPECTED
AND IT CAN CAUSE CONFUSION.
COMMUNICATION IS
EVERYTHING.

(EB) Vice Coordinator (N):
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Ed Miller Ed mentioned that this
position is temporary. Riding in
winter is hit and miss but when it's
nice, he rides.

STATE BOARD MINUTES



Rheault-Kasner

7 new in January.

Grosen

Witmer

vcal@abateoforegon.net

for 2023. I appreciate it.

(EB) Recording Secretary: Deb

secretary@abateoforegon.net Thank

you chapter Secretaries for starting to

get me your new officer's information

(EB) Membership Secretary: Glenna

There are 700 members if you count

multiple chapters. Active members

are 679. 45 expired. 50 renewals and

will have the totals next meeting. She

asked if we wanted a monthly report

or accumulated. Cindy requests a

(EB) Sanctioning Officer: Cindy

copy of the yearly ABATE income.

sanctioning@abateoforegon.net She

reports that we were turned down for

meeting with a company to go over

General Liability next week. Also

renewals are coming up for AMA.

have memberships in the AMA to

insurance. She mentioned that it is

more expensive to go through their

membership get ahold of Deb with

insurance. Karen suggested that those

OLD BUSINESS: Operations manual/

They will meet online on Monday at

auditor@abateoforegon.net Karen

said Larry will complete the 2022

taxes but will not be Auditor. She

also let us know that the taxes in lieu

and current are completed. \$1,200.00

for both years (2020 & 2021). There

regarding the Portland PO Box. This

was a question from Rotten Roger

box will close at the end of the

qualify for their sanctioning and

members who have a AMA

their membership numbers.

(Date(s) & time)

ByLaws committee meetings.

NEW BUSINESS: NONE

State Auditor: VACANT

ABATE has to have 10 members who

the Insurance for the campouts. She's

membership@abateoforegon.net

those members who belong to

(EB) Treasurer: Karen Tolle

treasurer@abateoforegon.net



month. The current address for ABATE of Oregon is the Albany address. Newspaper Editor:

T" Velazquez

news@abateoforegon.net She's been doing the paper for 13 months now and is doing her best. Send her pics, articles etc. Thanks for a great paper! There was mention that an advertiser had paid for a ½ page ad and last month it was reduced to ¼ page. "T" will check into it. BREAK

Public Relations: Troy Stevens pr@abateoforegon.net No report Web Page Editor: James Niece webmaster@abateoforegon.net Chapter's need to keep him informed of any changes when they happen, ie; meeting date, times, location etc. He has changed the email forms on the website. You can now do more than 1 at a time. Everything is up to date. Bob asked if there was or could there be a "Call to Action" contact for information to be distributed? James will check into it.

State swap meet Coordinator: Jimmy Kasner

swapmeet@abateoforegon.net He said he received some information from James regarding the swap meets. Jimmy & Deb will be at the first swap meet in April for the SE chapter to get a feel of how it's done.

FOSSIL Coordinator: Dave & Cindy Witmer fossil@abateoforegon.net
The garbage cans were delivered to Gene's address. If your chapter was going to donate, the price is about \$45.00. Advertising through Cycle Fish is up. Send any garbage can money to the Treasurer. The music genre is wide. Bert will be the MC again. Lincoln county will be in charge of games. She needs to talk to Bob Highfill about running the bike show again. It will be at the run site and NOT in the town of Fossil this year.

Products Committee: VACANT products@abateoforegon.net After some discussion, Deb will store ABATE products in Newport at her storage unit and Karen & Joy will be the contacts. They will get together

with Troy to make arrangements for transfer

Education Director: "T" Velazquez education@abateoforegon.net STEAM is CANCELED for 2023. She made arrangements for the venue, etc., had a date from Sanctioning, then was told after the fact that she couldn't use the date due to a conflict with N. Coast chapter's annual Spring run. Team Oregon is putting on an all female ride @ Lane Community College in Eugene on May 6th. There was a suggestion to try and have them attend the May Awareness Rally in Salem on the same day. Troy mentioned he tried to invite female rider groups to the May rally last year. Legislative Director: Bob Thomas legislative@abateoforegon.net SB 422, the Lane Sharing Bill has 13 sponsors. Two Senators who voted yes last session have now decided to vote no this session. There will soon be a standardized letter available on the BikePAC website for Oregonians to use who are in favor of SB 422, to send/email to their districts' representatives. Bob was at the latest GAC meeting and gave his opinion on the HB 218, Definition of a Helmet. It seems to be another way for law enforcement to be able to "profile" motorcyclists. HB2707 holds accountable a person who kills a motorcyclist. HB2316 adds some clarity to DUII as any drug, prescription or illegal substances, marijuana, alcohol, etc., you would be monetarily responsible for any minor children of the descendants until age 18 years of age. Troy mentioned the new helmet he just purchased and how it is impossible to tell if the new helmet would meet the possible new standards, if passed, without taking off the helmet and looking inside. Oregon to the MRF next month. He's going to contact the nearby states' reps Sergeant at Arms (E): VACANT sgteast@abateoforegon.net Historian: Deb Rheault Kasner historian@abateoforegon.net NOT MUCH TO REPORT AT THIS TIME Quartermaster: Gene Mortimore quartermaster@abateoforegon.net no report

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..state board minutes continued..

Motions: There was one motion. 1. A motion made by Jack, Lincoln Co. chapter, to accept the change to be added to the current Chapter Guidelines that was published in the February newspaper. Second by Bob, Hub City chapter. Six (6) in Favor. One (1) against. One (1) Abstention. Motion passed. Closing comments: Let's work together and

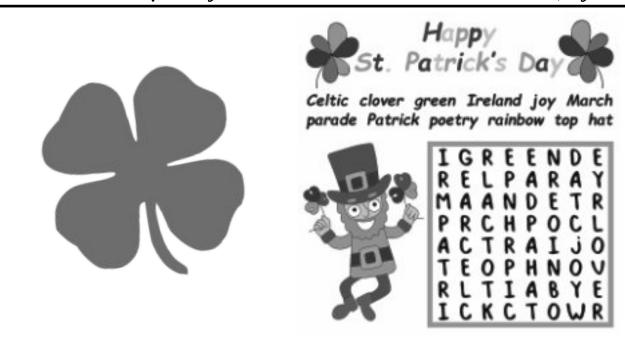
support each other.

Announcements: March 18th is SE Portland Chapter's 42nd Anniversary Party. THE NEXT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING IS March 11, 2023 Stay up to date at our website: www.abateoforegon.net Motion to adjourn made by Bob, Second by Glenna .
Adjourn 1444 (2:44pm) Deb Rheault Kasner



secretary@abateoforegon.

net 2/11/23





Mission

The Vote Before Tolls Committee exists to give Oregon voters direct input on state and local tolling decisions.

Congestion Tolling on the I-205 Corridor (near West Linn/ Oregon City) and on I-5 (near the Rose Quarter) is being considered as a result of Oregon Legislation HB 2017 where tolling was identified to help fund selected Transportation needs and projects.

We are working to organize and empower citizens to have a voice and a vote, on these and future tolling decisions!

About Us

The Vote Before Tolls Committee is a grassroots, citizendriven non-partisan statewide effort.

Goals

Legislation calling for a public vote on highway tolls before they go into effect

ODOT transparency on their decision processes, toll amounts, use of funds, and plans for sunsetting of tolls

An open discussion as to how tolls fit into ODOT's short- and long-term funding strategy for local and state-wide projects

Beliefs

Highway tolls are a new form of taxation in Oregon

Automobiles, trucks, bicycles, public transit, and sidewalks serve different, but co-existing transportation needs.

The current Oregon Tolling Proposal

Is not equitable and places a disproportionate financial and traffic burden on segments of citizenry and businesses

Is a gateway to expanded and permanent tolling across the Portland tri-county region ... and the rest of the state

votebeforetolls.org

STATE COORDINATOR





Thank you for everyone's support.

I'm excited to see all the events coming up in A.B.A.T.E. and look forward to see every chapter being active in the community.

2023 is a legislative year, there are bills coming up that require your attention and support. Find out who your representative is and let your voice be heard.

Joy Reyes **Chapter Coordinator**

STATE MEMBERSHIP

Hello, I'm taking Jackie's spot as Membership Secretary, thanks for working with me.

Jackie drove from Josephine County to Washington County in order to pass the "boots and saddles" list and files to me. We had such a comfortable and nice time while she stayed for a few days to share all the software program ins and outs. I've made good friends while being active with ABATE, there's a lot of fun going on while making things happen. We mailed out a lot of packets to our renewed and new members and emailed rosters to chapter membership and coordinators. I'm anxious to get my rhythm at completing new tasks for the year ahead.

Seven new members joined in January. We look forward to meeting Jessie Crawford (Douglas County),

Nathan Smart (Josephine County), Cliff Jones, Kathy Jones, Dakota Jones, Jesse Jones, and Cindi Marie (SE Portland), at some of our functions this year!

We value your renewals, fifty members were posted for January. Power in numbers; thank you all for retaining memberships in order to accomplish our mission statement.

ABATE promotes motorcycle awareness, education, safety and liberty through community involvement and legislative action.

Newbie State Membership Secretary, Glenna Grossen



Jessie Crawford	Douglas Co
Nathan Smart	Josephine Co
Cliff Jones	SE PDX
Dakota Jones	SE PDX
Kathy Jones	SE PDX
Jesse Jones	SE PDX
Cindi Marie	SE PDX



NEWSMAG EDITOR



Two fabulous ride events under my chaps this year and it's only the middle of February. The first ride of the year was The Polar Bear Ride on Jan 1st and it was a great day with lots of friends and heated gear. This last weekend I met up with Hub City A.B.A.T.E. on their Chilly Buns Ride in Albany. It was a great route and a great day weatherwise, even though I might have accidently took the scenic route around Silver Falls but I made it to the end safe. Lots of folks attended so it looked like a success. 230 Miles when I got back home. More infor and picts for the Chilly Buns next issue.

Looking forward to support our

I'd like to see the membership use the FOR SALE section in the paper. There hasn't been one taker since I started the newsmag last February. Send me a picture of your sale item and a description and I'll get it in here. Remember it's free for mempers...

See ya in the wind~



STATE RUN COORDINATOR

Fossil is coming along. New garbage cans have ordered and delivered at Gene's house in Fossil. Unfortunately, Smock Dogs cannot play this year. We have had a new band for Friday named Miles Crossing, we are having new vendors calling us and monster doughnuts have already turned in their vendor form. If you know anybody who would like vend, please refer them to fossilcampout.com a where there is all the information. Glenna is heading up making of a motorcycle, it was a big hit last year. The bike show will be held in the meadow this year.

Respectfully,

Dave and Cindy Witmer Fossil coordinators ABATE of Oregon 360-560-6403

STATE SANCTIONING



Sanctioning Report

Thank-you to everyone for getting in your sanctioning papers. Reminder sanctioning papers need to be turned in before your flyer or with your flyer.

As in the past couple of years we are having a difficult time getting our campouts covered. We have been turned down for general liability. I have started to make appointments face to face with insurance companies and also looking at commercial general liability. It would be more cost effect to keep everything together as a package. I can go through eventhelper.com for everything but the campouts and hanging of safety banners so all is not lost.

Respectfully, Cindy Witmer Sanctioning Officer 360-560-6403

STATE TREASURER



No report

CENTRAL OREGON CHAPTER

Well Hell, it is now February, that means spring weather is right around the corner. We have had a few days in between the ice and sub-zero days that were chilly but rideable. I hope some of you were able to get out and enjoy them.

We have a lot of things happening on the political front, it will be interesting to see the progress. I see a nice Supreme Court stay on 114, this is good news because it helps me still believe that certain people or groups cannot just do as they please to infringe on MY rights and freedoms. That gives me a good feeling because I will choose to do as I please and I do not care to infringe on anyone else's freedoms.

We still need to support our freedom fighters in ABATE and Bike Pac, and let them know how to apply their efforts for our cause.

Waiting for sun and warm weather.

Fossil will be here before you know it!

Ride Free Ride Fast Ride Far

Ed Miller Coordinator for Central Oregon Chapter of ABATE of Oregon



HUB CITY CHAPTER

Don Nash Chilly Buns is over, yep, a good time was had by all who attended. As Acting Run Coordinator I want to thank all those who attended and especially those devoted members of Hub City who helped out. Can't do an event without the able volunteers.

We are getting ready for the May awareness rally and planning for what to do for our yearly safety campaign. The officers have ideas' but we could use input from the membership to promote our mission of motorcycle safety. We have the new officers in place and they are doing an outstanding job, our new (?) meeting place and day is really good, we just need to see more of our members at the meetings. Our meetings are at Pop's Branding Iron in Albany, food at 6PM, meeting at 7PM. Come out and join us.

As your Legislative Rep, urge you all to contact your State
Representative and ask them to support our missions, Lane Sharing and the fight against

unwanted road tolls and others. As we build more successes, we build power in the Legislature. They know our members vote and are vocal, we can influence the passage or defeat of a bill. This is especially important with the Governor's Advisory Committee



moving the redefine what a helmet is. While I personally am a ATGATT kinda guy, I don't like this move as I feel it will lead to targeting motorcyclist for stops. Is that Helmet legal, let's take it off there fella, oh and license and registration, oh, your insurance has lapsed two days ago, here's your ticket!! See how this leads to stops we don't want, even if you are ATGATT.

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. Support Hub City in Education and awareness of motorcycles.

Hope to see everyone on the road.

Bob Thomas Run Coordinator

Douglas Co. Chapter

Hello out there!

Things are moving along here in Douglas County. There is a sense of excitement and enthusiasm within our chapter. We have a new Chapter Coordinator, Susie Wentworth, Susie is no stranger to ABATE and was regular attender and worker at SOS Run for many years. Most recently. Susie has been chapter Treasurer. Charles Darnell is our Vice Coordinator and new to serving in this capacity. He is a wealth of ideas for rides and has a goal of reaching out to all of Douglas County and being present in some of our smaller towns. Karen Tolle has graciously agreed to fill in as an interim Treasurer as Susie left that position to serve as Coordinator. In addition, we have several new members we would like to welcome. Thanks everyone for your commitment to protecting, preserving, and promoting Motorcyclist's Rights, Freedom of Choice, and Education!

Although the weather doesn't feel like it, Spring is on the way. We are well underway with planning for the Easter Poker Run on April 8th. Posters and details will be out shortly. We look forward to seeing you all there, and expect some fun surprises. Oh yeah, THINK SPRING!

Ride Safe, Ride Sober, Ride Educated, Becky Garino Secretary



JOSEPHINE CO. CHAPTER



No report

LINCOLN CO. CHAPTER

Happy March from Lincoln County

We are still trying to nail down a new venue for the Beaver Creek run this year. Our 1st Poker run is April 16th. Our start and stop is at the American Legion hall in Newport. Kickstands up at 10:00am. More information next month. Come ride the coast.

We welcome all the new State officers and Board of Directors for the 2023 session. We thank you for stepping up.

There haven't been many riding days yet. I hope everyone took the time this winter to do all the necessary changes and adjustments to their machines before getting out for a ride. We will be taking a chapter group photo soon to send in. Well not much else to report.

Keep your knees in the Breeze Deb Chapter Secretary

NORTH COAST CHAPTER

No report



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

List it FREE in the A.B.A.T.E. Newsmag! Contact news@abateoforegon.net

Motorcycling is not, of itself, inherently dangerous. It is, however, extremely unforgiving of inattention, ignorance, incompetence, or stupidity.

-Anonymous

RIVER CITY CHAPTER

Our annual Teddy Bear Parade and Poker Run held in conjunction with the Northwest Cherry Festival on April 22 is taking shape. We are looking forward to bringing this event back! Working on poker run with ending at Route 30 again this year. Discussing how to manage the stops with fewer individuals, thinking outside the box with possible photo evidence so you also have great memories of the event. As always putting in a request for great weather. For those traveling in, we anticipate The Dalles bridge to be open but that remains to be confirmed. Asking all chapter members to assist with collecting raffle prizes.

We have set a date for our bi-annual road clean up. Make room on your calendars for March 12 at 10 AM. Come join us for some fresh air and beautification work. We will meet for lunch after to see who has the best found treasure for the day.

We have a new BOD chapter rep: Mike has volunteered to continue in this role. Next chapter meeting will be Tuesday, March 7, 2023!

On a personal note, I just wanted to thank the BOD and the ABATE of Oregon FB admins for their continued diligence in keeping our FB page professional. With any page/group social media account there is the opportunity to share

a laugh, some great artwork and insightful/interesting commentary amongst the group. However, considering we want to build our membership we also need to be cognizant of what we represent and want to put out to the world. How we treat one another and all those within the motorcycle community at large reflects who we are as an organization and will either draw or repel people. There is room to be an individual within a group, as long as we keep in mind, we represent the whole of the group as a member.

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,

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SE PORTLAND CHAPTER

Hope you all will have the chance to attend our Anniversary Party "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. Door prizes and a 50-50. Cover is \$5.00.

Some of our members, including myself, have been attending the Governor's Advisory Board on Motorcycle Safety and are really learning a lot to bring back to the chapter. HB 422, Lane Sharing is being discussed. If passed, we need to make sure everyone understands the bill. It I not what some might think. You must be on a highway with speed limits of 50 MPH or more. Then Traffic flow must be reduced to less than 10 MPH. You cannot pass on the left or right shoulders. You cannot pass between parked cars and traveling cars. As traffic picks up speed, you must get back in the lane as soon as possible.

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 MOTOLLSARMY.ORG to download a petition. 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,

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

Monty Ellingboe lost out on \$50.00 and Anthony Lang Lost out

on \$55.00 for not being at the meeting when their names were drawn. The anti goes up \$5.00 each meeting it is not claimed. (With a limit of \$75.00 max).

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 Rotten Roger - 503-285-4329

WASHINGTON CO. CHAPTER

I just returned from attending the February ABATE State Board meeting held at Ciddici's Pizza in south Albany. It is kind of a chore to attend but one of those things that needs to be done. Have you ever heard that saying that goes something like "To be successful one needs to do those things you don't want to do?"

My hat goes off and I give mucho props to the several women who are very busy making ABATE of Oregon happen. On the one hand I could name names but what if I left someone's name out? Oh, here we go, I'll just go down the list of ABATE officers on page 4 of the most recent newspaper:

State Coordinator: Joy Reyes
Treasurer: Karen Tolle
Secretary: Debbie Rheault
Membership Secretary: Glenna
Grossen & Jackie Kilpatrick
Run Sanctioning: Cindy Witmer
Newspaper Editor & Education
Director: Theresa "T" Velazquez
Fossil Coordinator: Cindy Witmer
(and Dave)

Historian: Debbie Rheault

Thank you, thank you beautiful ladies! How very lucky we are to have you giving of your time, energy and talents to perform the necessary chores to make ABATE of Oregon a well oiled machine. And Happy Valentine's Day to you all. Yes, Valentine's Day does approach soon and you readers will be

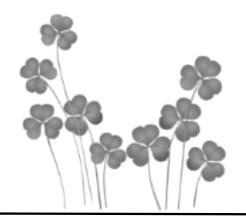
A few months ago I spent some time speculating about why my

reading this report after the fact.

bike seemed a little hard to start, very slow to warm up and just generally not running like it should. I played around with different gasoline, spark plugs, cleansing of air cleaner, wiring, etc. I'm convinced now that there is a leak in the intake manifold. Yep, when cold it's hard to start, then runs rough until very warm and then will still pop and sputter going down the road.

With the engine running, the test to give is by spraying something like carb/brake cleaner in the direction between the carb and the head. Suction at the area of leak will draw in the sprayed liquid and cause the engine to speed up or slow down. Proof that the problem is a leak. I'd heard of the spray test somewhere before but also got reminded of it while reading an older issue of "Easyriders" magazine.

Ride Hard and stay free, Dan Cooper





TWO RIVERS CHAPTER

At our last meeting we had a couple of visitors from the local American Legion Riders of Eugene. They used to be members of Willamette Valley A.B.A.T.E. Hopefully we'll get some new members from their organization. We still need lots of new members before we can start having chapter activities. If you know any riders in the Lane County area, send them our way. We are expecting to have form letters emailed to us from BikePAC to send to our legislators. Ride Safe

Two Rivers Chapter



AMA Position Statements

The American Motorcyclist Association monitors trends in motorcycling, policy, practices and legislation at the local, state, national and international levels to quickly identify and act on any threats to the motorcycling lifestyle or the future of motorcycling.

In the vast majority of these instances, the AMA staff, with assistance from AMA members, responds effectively to the concern. But, from time to time, some issues assume a greater importance that prompts action by the AMA Board of Directors.

The AMA Board of Directors adopts and publishes position statements that delineate the organization's official stance on the issue at hand.

To date, the Board of Directors has issued position statements on these six topics:

Automated Vehicles and the Safety of Motorcyclists

The safety of motorcyclists is of singular importance to the mission of the American Motorcyclist Association. As technology allows vehicles to...

Motorcyclist Profiling

The American Motorcyclist Association has long advocated for the rights of motorcyclists and the motorcycling lifestyle. The AMA, in diligently...

Lane Splitting

The American Motorcyclist Association places significant emphasis on motorcycle operator and passenger safety. On every type of public roadway,...

Voluntary Helmet Use

The American Motorcyclist Association, as part of a comprehensive motorcycle safety program to help reduce injuries and fatalities in the event of...

Motorcycle Rider Education

The American Motorcyclist Association has continually advocated a comprehensive motorcycle safety program as a means of preventing motorcycle...

Excessive Motorcycle Sound

Since its inception in 1924, the American Motorcyclist Association has maintained a position of strong opposition to excessive motorcycle sound....

Distracted and Inattentive Vehicle Operation

All road users are responsible for the safe operation of their vehicles on public roads and highways.

Advances in mobile technology have made it...

Access to Public Lands

The American Motorcyclist Association supports responsible recreational access to public lands for the use of off-highway vehicles.



February 20, 2023

For Immediate Release

Pressure Mounts on Federal Government to Act on Self-Driving Cars

Late last week it was announced that Tesla will recall 362,000 vehicles equipped with its Full Self-Driving (FSD) Beta software. This comes after U.S. regulators said on Thursday the driver assistance system did not adequately adhere to traffic safety laws and could cause crashes. The recall comes on the heels of a string of crashes last summer involving motorcyclists in Florida, Utah, and California.

In the announcement the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) said that the software reportedly may not respond sufficiently to posted speed limits and may cause cars to drive through intersections in an "unlawful or unpredictable manner."

NHTSA noted that the software may cause Tesla owners to travel straight through an intersection in a turn-only lane, fail to come to a complete stop at a stop sign, or drive through a yellow light "without due caution." The Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF) has long been concerned about the deployment of these vehicles without proper testing. Additionally, it seems that consumers have a false sense of security when driving these vehicles, are not aware of what the vehicles true capabilities are, and don't understand they must remain alert and engaged in the operation of the vehicle. Just two months ago the MRF worked with congressional leaders seeking answers from NHTSA about this new technology and how it interacts with motorcyclists.

Pressure is also being applied by state motorcyclist rights organizations. ABATE of Wisconsin will be using their "Lobby Day" in Madison to take aim at rules and regulations on self-driving cars in their state. ABATE of Indiana and ABATE of Illinois remain focused on this battle in Indianapolis and Springfield. A growing number of other states are also taking up the battle to protect the safety of motorcylists as it relates to this new technology.

While the MRF and state groups remain vigilant in our fight to protect you as a biker, as always, you should remain alert of all other roadway users. Ride Safe and Ride Free!

Support MRF by Becoming a Member!





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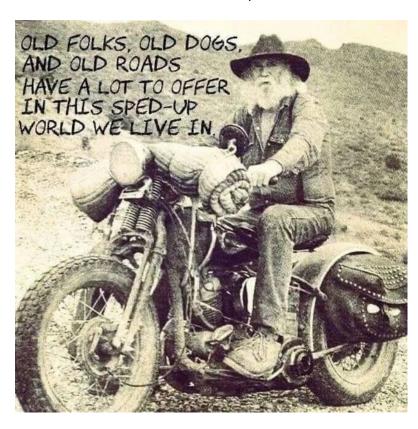
"42nd" ANNIVERSARY GET TOGETHER

M & M RESTAURANT - BANQUET ROOM

137 N MAIN, GRESHAM OREGON

Saturday, March 18, 2023

3:00 TO 9:00 - \$5.00



COME AND JOIN IN ON THE FUN AND CAMRADEREY MEET UP WITH OLD MOTORCYCLING FRIENDS AND MAKE NEW ONES DRAWINGS - 50/50

More info contact Anna 503-891-5645 or Rotten Roger 503-285-4329

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Community involvement and legislative action.





River City ABATE Annual

Teddy Bear Parade and Poker Run

Sat, April 22, 2023 9 AM Parade at 10 AM

Poker Run to follow

One Poker Hand \$20
Extra Hand \$5
Cash Prizes for High/Low Hands
Proceeds to River City Chapter,
ABATE of Oregon, Inc

at the Northwest Cherry Festival

Fraternal Order of Eagles 2006 W. 7th St The Dalles, OR (corner of 7th and Walnut)



All Riders Weldome

Please bring a small to medium size stuffed animal to be donated to Mid-Columbia Medical Center

Please no large or giant toys



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www.abateoforegon.net/events

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A.B.A.T.E of Oregon Southeast Portland Chapter Motorcycle Swap Meet Sunday, April 23rd

Elks Lodge 142

13121 SE McLoughlin Blvd, Milwaukie OR 97222

Admission
\$5 per person
Vendors Setup
8:00AM to 10:00AM
\$30 for each 10 X 10 space
Tailgaters
\$20 per space

Contact: Roger 503-285-4329

Email: swapmeet@abatese.net

Visit our website: www.abatese.net



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A.B.A.T.E Josephine County Chapter 25th Annual





Saturday April 29th - Sunday April 30th, 2023

Pottsville Museum – Home of Oregon Memories 2400 Pleasant Valley Rd – Merlin Exit 61 off I-5

Free Bike Show - Saturday

American & Metric Registration 10 AM – Noon Show Noon – 3 PM

ENTRY FEE \$ 5.00/DAY Kids under 12 FREE LEATHER GOODS CLOTHING / GIFTS

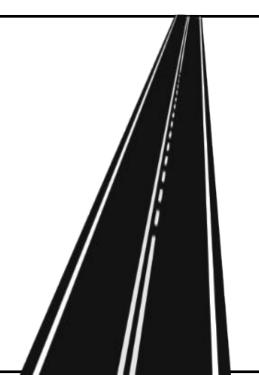
NEW & USED PARTS

Fri: setup: noon – 7 pm Sat: Gate open 9 am – 7 pm Sun: Gate open 9 am – 5 pm

No weapons, no alcohol, no marijuana

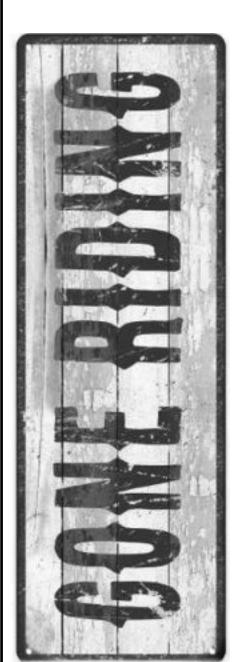
General Info: Call Karen 541-660-8730 Vendor Info: Call Cathy 541-659-8206

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2023 NATIONAL RIDE CALENDAR

Courtesy of Aid to Injured Motorcyclists (A.I.M.) www.ON-A-BIKE.com (800) ON-A-BIKE Representing injured motorcyclists nationwide for over 35 years!

TO ONE OST & SAVE THE DATES!

MARCH 3-12-DAYTONA BEACH, FL: 82nd Annual Daytona Bike Week

Info: www.officialbikeweek.com and www.bikerbeach.com or call Daytona Beach Chamber of Commerce at 386-255-0981

MARCH 16-19-DEPEW, OK:

Route 66 Spring Fever Rally Info: www.route66bikerrallv.com or 918-645-9029

MARCH 29-APRIL 2-SCOTTSDALE, AZ: **Arizona Bike Week**

Info: azbikeweek.com or 480-644-8191

MARCH 31-APRIL 2-CLEVELAND, OH: I-X Piston Powered Auto-Rama

Info: pistonpowershow.com or 216-265-2528

APRIL 19-APRIL 23-UNIDILLA, GA: **Angel City Spring Motorcycle Rally** Info: angelcitymotorcyclerally.com

APRIL 28-APRIL 30-LEESBURG, FL: Leesburg BikeFest

Info: leesburgbikefest.com or 352-365-0053

MAY 3-7—PANAMA CITY BEACH, FL: 25th Thunder Beach Spring **Motorcycle Rally**

Info: www.thunderbeachproductions.com

MAY 5-6-FT, SMITH, AR: Steel Horse Rally

Info: www.thesteelhorserally.com or 479-414-3775

MAY 12-21-MURRELLS INLET. SC: **Annual Myrtle Beach**

Spring Bike Week Info: www.myrtlebeachbikeweek.com or 336-643-1367

MAY 15-16-WASHINGTON, D.C. **Motorcycle Riders Foundation's Bikers Inside the Beltway**

National Motorcycle Lobby Day Info: 202-546-0983 or www.mrf.org



MAY 17-30—CA-DC-IL: Run For The Wall XXXIII

Info: www.rftw.us

MAY 18-21—HURRICANE MILLS, TN: Tennessee Motorcycles & Music Revival

Info: www.motorcyclesandmusic.com

MAY 18-21-RUIDOSO, NM:

Annual Aspen Cash Motorcycle Rally Info: 800-452-8045 or www.motorcyclerally.com

*MAY 26-JUNE 4-SANDUSKY. OH:

Ohio Bike Week Info: www.ohiobikeweek.com

MAY 28-WASHINGTON, DC:

Rolling To Remember Info: www.amvets.org or rollingtoremember.com

MAY 28- NATIONWIDE USA: **Rolling Thunder XXXV Ride for** Freedom

Info: www.rollingthunder1.com

MAY 31-JUNE 4-LAKE GEORGE, NY:

2023 Americade AMA National Rally Info: Bill @ 518-798-0858 or www.americade.com

JUNE 2-4-RENO. NV:

Street Vibrations Spring Motorcycle Rally Info: www.roadshowsreno.com or 775-690-2035

JUNE 8-11-CAVE-IN-ROCK, IL: HogRock River Rally

Info: www.hogrock.com or 866-464-7625

JUNE 9-12-AUSTIN, TX: Annual Republic of Texas (ROT) Biker

Rally Circuit of The Americas Info: www.republicoftexasmotorcyclerally.com

JUNE 10-18-LACONIA, NH:

100[™] Annual Laconia Motorcycle Week Laconia Motorcycle Rally & Race Week Assn: 603-366-2000 Info: www.laconiamcweek.com

JUNE 16-18—PHOENIX, AZ:

38th Annual NCOM Convention Info & Registration: 800-531-2424 or www.ON-A-BIKE.com

JUNE 22-25-PATTERSONVILLE, NY:

Harley Rendezvous Classic Info: 518-864-5659 or www.harleyrendezvous.com

JUNE 22-25-JOHNSTOWN, PA:

Thunder in the Valley Info: www.visitjohnstownpa.com/thunder-valley or 800-237-8590

JUNE 29-JUY 1—ALGONA, IA: Freedom Rally

Info: 641-858-5001 or www.abateiowafreedomrally.com

JUNE 30-JULY 2-CARROLLTON, OH: 26th Annual Freedom Rally

Info: 330-327-3513 or freedomrallyregion8@gmail.com

JULY 6-9-GETTYSBURG, PA: Gettysburg Bike Week

Info: www.gettysburgbikeweek.com or 717-873-6181

JULY 12-16—STURGIS, KY:

Kentucky Bike Rally Info: 270-333-7244 or www.kentuckybikerally.com

JULY 20-23-SPRINGVILLE, IN: The Boogie

Info: 800-232-2283 or www.abateonline.org

JULY 21-23—LEXINGTON, OH:

AMA Vintage Motorcycle Days Info: www.americanmotorcyclist.com or 800-MID-OHIO

AUGUST 1-6-MEMPHIS, TN: 46th Annual National Bikers Round-Up

Info: 901-512-0835 or www.nationalbikersroundup.org

AUGUST 4-13-STURGIS, SD: 83rd Annual Sturgis Black Hills Motorcycle Rally

Info: 605-347-4422 or www.sturgismotorcyclerally.com

AUGUST 18-19-WOODLAND PARK, CO: **Annual Salute to American Veterans Motorcycle Rally**

Info: 719-487-8005 or www.theveteransrally.org

National Coalition Of Motorcyclists SEPTEMBER 7-10—GENEVA-ON-THE-LAKE, OH: 17th Annual Thunder On The Strip Rally

Info: www.thunderonthestrip.com or 440-466-2361

SEPTEMBER 13-17-LAKE OZARK, MO: **Bikefest Lake of the Ozarks**

Info: www.lakebikefest.com or 800-386-5253

SEPTEMBER 15—BRIDGEPORT, AL: **30th Anniversary Trail Of Tears** Motorcycle Ride Info: www.al-tn-trailoftears.net

SEPTEMBER 20-23-ROGERS, AR: Annual Bikes, Blues & BBQ Motorcycle Rally

Info: 479-527-9993 or www.bikesbluesandbbq.org

SEPTEMBER 21-24—RENO, NV:

Street Vibrations Fall Rally Info: www.roadshowsreno.com or 775-690-2035

SEPTEMBER 21-24—HARRISBURG, PA: **Motorcycle Riders Foundation's** 39th Annual Meeting of the Minds Info: 202-546-0983 or www.mrf.org

*SEPTEMBER 21-24-RUIDOSO, NM: 54th Annual Golden Aspen

Motorcycle Rally 800-452-8045 or www.motorcyclerally.com

OCTOBER 2-8-MURRELS INLET, SC: Myrtle Beach Fall Rally

Info: www.myrtlebeachbikeweek.com or 336-643-1367

OCTOBER 5-8-CAVE-IN-ROCK, IL: HogRock 'toberfest

Info: www.HogRock.com or 866-464-7625

OCTOBER 5-8-COLONIAL BEACH, VA: **Colonial Beach Bike Fest**

Info: www.ColonialBeachBikeFest.com or 804-224-8145

OCTOBER 19-22-DAYTONA BEACH, FL: 31st Annual Biketoberfest

Info: www.daytonabeach.com/biketoberfest/ Daytona Beach Chamber of Commerce: 866-296-8970

*OCTOBER 23-29-PANAMA CITY BEACH, FL: 23rd Thunder Beach Autumn Motorcycle Rally

www.thunderbeachproductions.com or 850-249-7627

NOVEMBER 2-5-GALVESTON, TX: Lone Star Rally

www.lonestarrally.com or 832-437-2318 or 386-682-9582

NOVEMBER 16-19—CLEARWATER, FL:

St. Pete Beach BikeFest

www.stpetebeachbikefest.com or 727-527-9672

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Young Activist Scholarship

What is the Young Activist Scholarship Fund?

Biker "Freedom Fighting" activists have recognized for some time that our membership and leaders are aging, and that there is a need to encourage younger people to become involved in motorcyclists' rights. To that end, the Motorcycle Riders Foundation Awareness and Education (MRFA&E) has created a scholarship fund to recognize deserving candidates who are a minimum of 18 years old and not over 30 years of age who otherwise may not be able to attend the MRF's Meeting of the Minds conference. The MRFA&E has dedicated a limited amount of seed money to the scholarship fund to get things rolling.

The MRFA&E is looking for additional contributions from individuals, national, state and local organizations and businesses that would like to participate in the program. Click here to make an online contribution to the MRFA&E Young Activist Scholarship Fund. Checks made out to the MRFA&E Young Activist Scholarship Fund can be sent to: MRFA&E Young Activist Scholarship Fund, PO Box 581 Big Lake, MN 55309. Since 2004, the MRFA&E Young Activist Scholarship is a successful program to activate our youth into defending biker rights for the future. The program started with the MRFA&E donating \$750.00 the first year to get it rolling and generous donations from MRF members. The first year the MRFA&E could afford to send one candidate and the second year this program doubled to two winning candidates with larger donations. Our third year we doubled the winning candidates to four. Individuals, National, State, and Local Organizations and Businesses are encouraged to continue their

<u>donations</u> so we can grow this program even more for the future.

Grants are being explored as a way to fund this but it still is a ways down the pike.Nominations will be accepted from either state or local SMRO groups, and must be submitted on the MRFA&E-approved application form below.

Candidate Criteria:

- 1) Nominated candidates must be between the ages of 18 and 30 with a valid Motorcycle Endorsement on their Drivers License. 31st Birthday must fall after Meeting Of The Minds for that year.
- 2) Candidates must be a member in good standing of a State Motorcyclists' Rights Organization (SMRO). Length of membership required in SMRO to be determined by its members if candidate is qualified.
- 3) Candidates must be nominated by their SMRO. Nominations will be accepted from either state or local (District / Chapter / Local) SRMO groups, and must be submitted on an MRFA&E approved application form.
- 4) Nominations must be submitted between October 1st and July 15th and postmarked no later than July 1st of the year for which the application is submitted.
- 5) Candidates are to submit a minimum three hundred (300)-word essay on why biker's rights are important to them. A well written essay from the heart is like a picture or blueprint of who the candidate is; coming directly from the candidate, this gives the committee members a better perspective of the individual. Include the essay with the MRFA&E YAS Application Form. Winning candidates will be announced via an MRF Email News Release on or about August 15th. All candidates will be notified with a letter of thanks and encouragement to re-submit their candidacy for the next year if they are not the selected winner.



NCOM BIKER NEWSBYTES Compiled & Edited by Bill Bish, National Coalition of Motorcyclists (NCOM)

YAMAHA PLEDGES 10 MILLION YEN TO TURKEY-SYRIA EARTHQUAKE RELIEF Yamaha Motor Co. is putting aside 10 million yen to be used to support the victims of the February 6 Turkey-Syria earthquake and their ongoing recovery efforts.

Notably, 2021 Superbike World Champion, Toprak Razgatlioglu, and his manager, former five-time Supersport World Champion, Kenan Sofuoglu, had been involved in early response work in their native Turkey until forced to leave in order to be in Australia for the first round of the 2023 Superbike World Championships, in which Razgatlioglu will be looking to reclaim his title.

The bike manufacturer for which Razgatlioglu rides, Yamaha, announced on February 17th that the Japanese motorcycle-maker will donate 10 million yen (@\$74,000USD) through the nonprofit organization Japan Platform and that "the funds will be used explicitly to support relief and reconstruction efforts in affected areas of Turkey and Syria."

Along with the more than 46,000 killed in the 7.4-Magnitude quake, 84,000 buildings have collapsed or are seriously damaged, yet within the rubble survivors were still being found.

HONDA SHOOTS FOR THE MOON Honda Motor Co. is developing a circulative renewable energy system which is hoped to help sustain scientists as they live on the lunar surface. The system, called the Circulative Renewable Energy System, uses electrolysis and solar energy to produce oxygen, hydrogen, and electricity.

While their mission announcement doesn't specifically mention 'motorcycles,' Honda hopes that their CRES system will maintain lunar vehicles so that scientists can properly explore the moon's surface; a hostile environment which may take more nimble vehicles to traverse.

Plus, with hydrogen power being looked at as a possible replacement for fossil fuels, it could help to accelerate Honda's plans back here on our home planet, as the Honda Global website explains: "Honda will pursue research and development of its circulative renewable energy system with the initial goal to utilize it in outer space, then feed technologies amassed through this challenge back to Earth and strive to realize the company's 2050 carbon neutrality goals."

SKILLS CRISIS OVER LACK OF YOUNG PEOPLE WORKING IN MOTORCYCLING The motorcycle industry is in desperate need of more young people to work as technicians or in dealerships if it wants to survive for future generations, warn UK industry bosses. "The challenges we face in attracting young people to work in the sector are the same we face in attracting new and young riders," CEO of England's Motorcycle Industry Association (MCIA) Tony Campbell warns. "Over the past two decades, we have been great at servicing an ageing rider community; this in large part is mirrored by our workforce."

"As with attracting new young riders, as a sector we have to be seen to be at the cutting edge of new technology, innovation, and design. In my view, we have an identity problem when it comes to attracting young talent to the industry," he continued, adding that "There is and will continue to be a shortage of skilled resources."

Campbell's comments were echoed by Head of Operations at the National Franchised Dealers Association (NFDA), Symon Cook, who spoke to MCN.com about what could happen if nothing changes; "It's going to fail and it's going to disappear and that's certainly not what any of us want. We need action and we need it now," he said. "We're behind the times and within the next two years we need to really accelerate our idea of how we recruit and how we drive an interest into the motorcycle industry."

Keen to get more young people involved in the industry, the MCIA teamed up with recruitment firm BikeJobs and the National Motorcycle Dealers Association (NMDA) to create a Careers Hub stand at the Motorcycle Live show in Birmingham. Of the 150 enquiries registered at the event, 78.5% were male and 21.5% were female -- with 78% of all respondents being aged between 13 and 30. The largest of these groups was 17-20, who made up 28%.

MOTORCYCLE HELMET MARKET EXPECTED TO GROW SUBSTANTIALLY The Global Motorcycle Helmet Market is expected to witness sustainable growth over 2031, reports Global Insight Services, noting that helmets are required by law in many countries.

The intelligence firm offers an analysis of key issues and market drivers, such as a trend towards lighter and more comfortable helmets thanks to advances in materials and manufacturing techniques.

Their 10-year forecast also references trends towards helmets with better aerodynamics, more integrated communications systems, and more advanced safety features.

Among the several key drivers of the worldwide motorcycle helmet market, GIS points out that the number of motorcycle riders has increased significantly in recent

years, which has led to increased demand for helmets.

Also, quite notably, the price of helmets has fallen, making them more affordable for riders, while their research claims that the documented safety benefits and the availability of helmets in a variety of styles and designs has made them more appealing to riders.

CONNECTICUT LEGISLATION COULD INVOKE DONOR-CYCLISTS
Although Connecticut state law only requires riders under 18 to wear a helmet, a new legislative proposal would dictate that any motorcyclist killed while not wearing one would automatically become an organ donor.

In a shocking new bill published under the Connecticut General Assembly's website, if passed, riders who do not wear a motorcycle helmet will no longer have autonomy over their organs if they lose their life in an accident, ignoring the gift law principles of the Uniform Anatomical Gift Act which requires an affirmative voluntary act.

State Senator Martin M. Looney of the 11th District introduced Senate Bill No. 96 on January 12, 2023; "AN ACT ESTABLISHING A REBUTTABLE PRESUMPTION THAT PERSONS KILLED IN A MOTORCYCLE ACCIDENT WHILE RIDING WITHOUT A HELMET WISH TO DONATE THEIR ORGANS."

In the meantime, concerned bikers such as the Connecticut Motorcycle Riders Association (CMRA) are also fighting against House Bill 5917, a legislative measure that would require the use of helmets by all motorcycle riders, as well as improve the use of automated enforcement systems, and strengthen existing law prohibiting open containers in vehicles.

RIDER SAVED BY SMARTWATCH AFTER FALL FROM CLIFF ON HIS MOTOCYCLE

After riding his motorcycle off the side of a cliff, a man was rescued thanks to the distress communication sent out by his smartwatch. The incident occurred in southwestern Utah, and saw the rider fall between 40 and 50 feet, sustaining serious injuries, The Hill reports.

First responders were able to find and stabilize the man for Life Flight transport to the hospital thanks to the rescue alert system on his smartwatch which is designed to detect major crashes and sends out a distress signal when the wearer is unable to respond to it themselves.

The brand and model of the man's smartwatch unknown, but many of the latest versions of such devices are programmed to detect a serious crash, the most well-known being the Apple Watch

which has its 'Crash Detection' feature, as does the most recent iPhone.

NATIONAL MOTORCYCLE MUSEUM TO PERMANENTLY CLOSE On January 28, 2023, the National Motorcycle Museum and Hall of Fame in Animosa, Iowa, made the shocking

announcement that, after 22 years, the museum plans to permanently close its doors this September, after Sturgis.

The post states the reason very plainly:

The post states the reason very plainly: "We have struggled for several years to cover wages and utilities partly due to low visitation."

Established by John and Jill Parham, the founders of J&P Cycles in Anamosa, the lowa institution plans to sell its Parham Collection of bikes and memorabilia at auction in the future.

SAVE THE DATE – 38TH ANNUAL NCOM CONVENTION IN ARIZONA This year's 2023 NCOM Convention will be held over Father's Day weekend, June 16-18, at the Hilton Phoenix-Tempe, located at 2100 S. Priest Dr., in Tempe, Arizona, so plan ahead to join with hundreds of like-minded bikers' rights activists from across the country for a weekend of collaboration and camaraderie!

Be sure to reserve your hotel room now by calling (480) 967-1441, and mention NCOM for our Special Room Rate.

Registration fees for the NCOM Convention are \$110 including the Silver Spoke Awards Banquet, or \$50 for the Convention only, and you can pre-register online at www.ON-A-BIKE.com or by calling the National Coalition of Motorcyclists (NCOM) at (800) 525-5355.

QUOTABLE QUOTE: "No snowflake in an avalanche ever feels responsible." ~ Voltaire (1694-1778), French Enlightenment writer, historian and philosopher

ABOUT AIM / NCOM: The National Coalition of Motorcyclists (NCOM) is a nationwide motorcyclists rights organization serving over 2,000 NCOM Member Groups throughout the United States, with all services fully-funded through Aid to Injured Motorcyclist (AIM) Attorneys available in each state who donate a portion of their legal fees from motorcycle accidents back into the NCOM Network of Biker Services (www.ON-A-BIKE.com / 800-ON-A-BIKE).

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To celebrate female riders and International Female Ride Day, TEAM Oregon has many female instructors who want to reach out to lady riders. We are planning on holding 1 all female intermediate course (Road Riders Tactics) in Eugene Saturday May 6th, taught by our awesome female instructors. Contact me if you are interested as we don't have this online yet.

Also look for us this summer, you may see us at one of the many of the motorcycle dealerships promoting women riders and answering any and all questions regarding motorcycle training.

Never ridden before? No problem.
Always wanted to learn to ride? Here's your chance.
Have questions but were afraid to ask? We are here for you.

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Are you interested in preserving & advancing the cause of motorcyclist's rights?

Are you interested in increasing motorcyclist's voice in government and protecting our individual rights, liberties and freedom?

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I am considering reinstating the Motorcyclist's Caucus in the Democratic Party of Oregon.

This will require approximately 15 registered Democrats to establish a quorum. With the establishment of this caucus, we can work from within, rather than the-outside-looking-in.

With any change in administration comes the opportunity to forge new alliances and make new friends.

I heartily urge our friends & colleagues in the Republican Party do so as well.

Applications for the Democratic Caucus, Questions, comments and hate mail can be directed to daveganslein@hotmail.com 503-901-0192

Thanks, Diesel Dave About International Female Ride Day - Origin, History and Now! International Female Ride Day® (IFRD) is celebrated annually worldwide on the first Saturday of May.

The day celebrates women motorcycle riders and is not country, group or organisationally specific – it is a globally synchronized "JUST RIDE!" day, for women. Vicki Gray created IFRD for all women individually, in groups and collectively everywhere! Women make International Female Ride Day® their day to "JUST RIDE!"© doing what they can to promote and highlight women riders while making a positive difference for women in motorcycling and powersports everywhere.

Every woman riding on IFRD is a role model for the diverse unique and common passion women share for motorcycling and powersports. The day has occurred for well over a decade and a half, with the first IFRD actions in 2007. It is an all brands and all styles motorcycling happening and extends across all borders and cultures the world over.

Marked annually on the first Saturday in May, International Female Ride Day (IFRD) is one of the most important ride days of the year to:

Highlight the number of women who ride;

Encourage other women to take up the activity:

Raise awareness about women's equality in motorsports;

Celebrate women's advancements in motorsports and powersports; Ride for accelerated gender parity. What Is International Female Ride Day?

International Female Ride
Day® (IFRD) occurring on the first
Saturday in May, is a global day

International Female Ride Day first Saturday in May

celebrating the cultural, social and active lifestyles of women who ride and enjoy motorcycling and powersports. The day also marks a call to action for fasttracking gender equality, awareness, and respect for women in motorcycling or motorsport. IFRD is created and owned by Vicki Gray. It is exclusively driven by Gray through her business platform MOTORESS®, the woman rider and motorcycle enthusiast online magazine and resource. Gray is an avid motorcyclist currently residing in Canada where MOTORESS® relocated to from Amsterdam, The Netherlands,

IFRD is all about riding in celebration, unity, and support – whatever that looks like globally at a local level. But one thing is for sure, IFRD has been occurring for nearly two decades and continues to grow in strength and power, from ride to ride.

IFRD promotes all women (those who identify as a woman) in motorcycling and encourages other women to take up the activity. The numbers of women motorcycle riders steadily increases and certainly more so in recent decades (women's social values have changed, advanced, etc.) with the prominence of the IFRD occurrence. IFRD underlines this growth and the numbers.

IFRD provides a platform for women motorcycle riders to bond with other women, to meet and find like-minded women who ride and develop friendships with which to enjoy and advance motorcycling! IFRD is a united day of global movement and celebration of women who ride motorcycles. It simultaneously brings a call for action for gender parity, acceptance and inclusion of

women in motorcycling and powersports.

Yes! Make International Female Ride Day[®] your day and

do what you can to represent and truly make a positive difference for women riders and powersports enthusiasts everywhere! History: International Female Ride Day International Female Ride Day® (IFRD) has been observed since 2007. It is the sole brain child of motorcyclist Vicki Gray, globally recognized motorcycling instructor, road racer, motorcycling advocate and owner of MOTORESS® the motorcycling lifestyle online magazine. The idea had been in the works since 2006 but came to reality on Friday 4 May, 2007 - the very first "JUST RIDE!" day launched in Toronto, Ontario Canada!

IFRD initially began as a national event and took its leap in May, 2007. It was launched fully intending to be International, and so it did! IFRD instantly became participated globally right from its inaugural year. Vicki's "JUST RIDE!®" theme, the action of IFRD, caught fire and went across the border. Women motorcycle riders in Canada, across the United States, The Netherlands and Australia joined in. Embraced by thousands of women riders, IFRD made its introduction and international success. Its achievements continue to drive it forward today, now over a decade and a half later is permanently etched into every woman rider's agenda - the first Saturday in May. IFRD was born with the purpose of highlighting the fact that women ride motorcycles, enjoy motorcycling - and have done so since the motorcycle was invented. My call to action inviting women to join in on one globally synchronized day to 'just

ride' - seemed the best method to highlight the diverse numbers of women riders. Similarly, every woman riding and participating [on IFRD] would be a spotlighted rolemodel in her particular area – the representative of IFRD and its mission, encouraging others. In 2008 International Female Ride Day observed women riders and activities in Australia, Greece; the further reaches of North America. England and The Netherlands, France and 12 other countries including locations in Russia. Within one year IFRD became embraced, decidedly by women riders themselves – its momentum continues to this day.

Each year "the movement" continues to expand and grow to such an extent that has truly given it a unique global status. It is the largest all inclusive, borderless campaign for female motorcyclists of its kind, and in the world.

"When riding your motorcycle, make your personal safety a priority. Ride your own ride and within your own abilities. Always wear a helmet, protective clothing, and eyewear. Apply the same standards to your passenger.

Never ride under the influence of alcohol or drugs. Be a great example of motorcycling!"~ V. Gray

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An important announcement for all Hells Canyon Motorcycle Rally supporters and riders:

High Desert Harley-Davidson is no longer the promoter of the Hells Canyon Motorcycle Rally in Baker City, Oregon July 6th-9th 2023, and future events.

After speaking with the Baker City Chamber of Commerce, it is our understanding that local businesses within the community of Baker City will be putting on an event during this time frame.

We are glad to support the event and we wish them the best success! For those who have pre-registered and still need a refund please email hannah@highdeserthd.com with your first, last, email address, and phone number used to register.

If you have direct questions pertaining to the future of the Hells Canyon Motorcycle Rally, please contact the Baker City Chamber of Commerce at 541-523-5855.

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What is A.B.A.T.E.?

We are a State Motorcycle Rights
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educating riders, drivers and elected
officials about issues affecting
motorcyclists. We help fund a political
action committee (BikePAC) that directly
interacts with the legislature about
motorcycles issues and bills that affect us.

What does "A.B.A.T.E." mean?

A.B.A.T.E. Stands for A Brotherhood Against Totalitarian Enactments. The organization was formed when legislators passed bills adversely affecting riders without consulting them. We also do business as A Brotherhood Aimed Towards Education.

What is BikePAC?

BikePAC of Oregon is the political lobby for motorcyclists in Oregon, and works with ABATE of Oregon and other concerned citizens and groups. BikePAC is a direct voice for you as a rider at the Oregon State Capitol.



