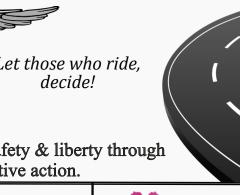


May 2023
A.B.A.T.E. of OREGON

Dedicated to the freedom of the road! Let those who ride. decide!

Mission Statement:

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



MAY IS MOTORCYCLE AWARENESS MONTH



May 2023 is Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month, and the NHTSA reminds vehicle drivers and motorists that safe driving and riding practices and cooperation from all road users will help reduce the number of fatalities and injuries on our nation's highways.

Motorists Awareness of Motorcycles

Even the smallest momentary lapse in a vehicle driver's awareness can result in the death of an unseen motorcyclist.

Ride Sober or get Pulled Over

As law enforcement professionals and highway safety advocates, your efforts will help reduce the number of drunk drivers on the roads and save lives. By increasing State enforcement efforts, raising public awareness through paid, earned, and social media, and maximizing your local resources, you can indeed make a difference.

Rider Safety

While motorcycling offers riders a sense of freedom, and a chance to reduce their carbon footprint, riding a motorcycle doesn't offer the structural protection that a car does to keep

riders safe in the event of an accident. That's why motorcyclists need to get special rider training, and wear special gear to protect their body and make them more visible to other road users.

If you're ever in a serious motorcycle crash, the best hope you have for protecting your brain is by wearing a DOT-compliant motorcycle helmet. Motorcycle operators and their passengers who wear helmets increase their chance of survival significantly over non-helmet

Please use these materials and resources to promote motorcycle safety in your community.

Share The Road

Motorcycle crashes involving another motor vehicle continue to account for nearly half of all motorcyclist fatalities in the United States. Motorcyclists are inherently at more risk than motor vehicles because they lack many of the same safety features of automobiles. From a statistical perspective, motorcyclists are 27 times more likely to die in a crash than other motorists.

NHTSA has a vested interest in addressing the types of motorist behaviors that pose a risk to motorcyclists. In years past, and enshrined in statutory language, these efforts have been bundled under the moniker of Share The Road.

OREGON MAY AWARENESS RALLY

SATURDAY MAY 6TH OREGON STATE CAPITOL 12:00 NOON See flyer on page 14



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Please be patient, call backs can take a couple of days

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



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

Dial in number: 253.215.8782, Meeting ID: 329-149-1005

CENTRAL OREGON (CentOr)

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

DOUGLAS COUNTY (DC)

Round Table Pizza, 2040 NW Stewart Parkway, Roseburg 4th Weds 6:00 pm

HUB CITY (HC)

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

7:00 pm meeting

JOSEPHINE COUNTY (JoCo)

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

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)

1st Sun 12:00 noon M&M Restaurant & Lounge, 137 N. Main, Gresham 503.285.4329 3rd Sun 12:00 noon Rotten Roger

TWO RIVERS (TR)

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

WASHINGTON COUNTY (WaCo)

2ND Mon 7:00 pm NEW! Prime Time Restaurant, 4450 Pacific Ave, Forest Grove 4th Mon 7:00 pm NEW! 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

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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 April 8, 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

@1230, Nine (9) chapters were represented. Nine (9) of the Ten (10) chapters in attendance were eligible to vote.

Chapters Excused: N. Coast (due to ZOOM difficulties)

Unexcused: None

Guests &/or first time attendees.

Welcome everyone.

Bob H. from the. Lincoln co. chapter made a motion to accept the minutes printed in last month's monthly ABATE newspaper. Seconded by Karen from the JoCo chapter. Corrections? /No Acceptance? Yes

Note: (EB) = Executive Board (EB) Coordinator: Joy Reves coordinator@abateoforegon.net

Opening comments: There was some discussion regarding responsibility for damages caused at any chapter events and if the State was responsible for payment of such damages to equipment etc. (ie; awnings, signage, etc. caused by nature, winds) Answer was no. (EB) Vice Coordinator (N):

VACANT vcn@abateoforegon.net (EB) Vice Coordinator (S):

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(EB) Vice Coordinator (E): Ed Miller (pro-tem)

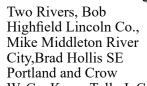
vce@abateoforegon.net Ed was trying to join the ZOOM meeting. He later joined us by phone.

Vice Coordinator @ Large: Jack Wingfield vcal@abateoforegon.net No report

(EB) Recording Secretary: Deb Rheault-Kasner

secretary@abateoforegon.net HAPPY EASTER! I sent out a group email to the remaining Board of Directors explaining the ZOOM situation. Those eligible to vote were: Ed Miller Central OR, Curtis McCain Douglas Co., Bob Thomas Hub City, Bill Foster

STATE BOARD MINUTES



WaCo. Karen Tolle JoCo.

(EB) Membership Secretary: Glenna Grosen

membership@abateoforegon.net

There are five (5) new members, Twenty Eight (28) renewals and Fifty Six (56) expired. Not counting the members who belong to multiple chapters, we have 618 current members.

(EB) Treasurer: Karen Tolle treasurer@abateoforegon.net As of 4/8/23 the combined total of all balances is \$42,546.31 (EB) Sanctioning Officer: Cindy Witmer

sanctioning@abateoforegon.net As of my filing of this paper, the report furnished to me was unable to scan for this report. To summarize we have event insurance ONLY. No general liability policy as of 4/8/23. She is still working on coverage for the campouts. All current calendared events will fall under one policy through www.eventhelper.com. Any additions or date changes will be the responsibility of the individual chapters at their own cost.

OLD BUSINESS:

Answer from Chapter reps regarding Political advertisers in our monthly rag

Since this was listed in the agenda we had to put the motion forward. (See under motions)

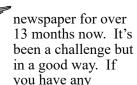
NEW BUSINESS:

Reimbursement for Coordinator. (See under motions)

BOD to accept resignation from PR After discussion and then a floor vote by the Board of Directors, Eight (8) in favor & One (1) abstained, the PR position is open. Te volunteered to be the Interim Public Relations liaison for the remainder of the year. All Directors accepted. Zero against. Zero abstained.

State Auditor: VACANT auditor@abateoforegon.net

Newspaper Editor: "T" Velazquez news@abateoforegon.net She's been putting together our monthly



suggestions on what you'd like to see let her know through an email. Send her pics of all your events.

BRÉAK

Public Relations: Troy Stevens pr@abateoforegon.net No report Web Page Editor: James Niece webmaster@abateoforegon.net James reported by email that both websites are updated.

State swap meet Coordinator:

Jimmy Kasner

swapmeet@abateoforegon.net. Jimmy will be going to SE Portlands Swap meet this month to familiarize himself with the meet from set up to tear down and everything in between. He is currently trying to generate interest in other groups getting involved with coming to the swap meets. He will be negotiating with the Milwaukee Elks lodge management for the fall swap meet. Date TBD as soon as possible. Any questions or suggestions, please don't hesitate to email him at the above email address.

FOSSIL Coordinator: Dave & Cindy Witmer

fossil@abateoforegon.net Bert is unable to be this year's MC at Fossil. Anyone interested contact Dave and Cindy at the above email address. They are also looking for a reasonable T-shirt person.

Products Committee: VACANT products@abateoforegon.net

Education Director: "T" Velazquez education@abateoforegon.net Be aware of gravel and other weather related debris on the roadways. Team Oregon has new classes up & going. Any member in good standing with a certificate of completion is eligible for a partial fee

reimbursement from ABATE. **Legislative Director:** Bob Thomas legislative@abateoforegon.net The Executive Director of BikePAC, Doug Tiller has resigned due to personal and health reasons. Anyone interested in stepping up, let Bob know. Please take the Online Biker Survey at www.bikepacoforegon.com They

can't work for you if you don't voice your concerns. The survey is anonymous.

BikePAC Rep. for ABATE: Bob Thomas www.bikepacoforegon.com \$10,500 general fund 4,500 political fund \$15,000 combined totals Paula is out networking. SB 422a passed the Senate floor with a 27-2 vote. It is now in the Joint Transportation committee. One's to watch are HB 2426 Flammable liquids (self serve gas stations), SJR19 Tolls. It requires the county (where the toll would be in) to be on the ballot for a vote in an election. The NO TOLL ARMY is watching this one very closely. The May Awareness Rally is Saturday May 6th at the Capitol Park in Salem. At noon the ceremony for the fallen riders begins.

MRF Representative: Bill Foster MRF@abateoforegon.net

Autonomous Vehicles-California is considering issuing permits for these vehicles. New Mexico has passed a Bill to allow new license plates for vehicles with "Motorcycle Awareness" branding on them. Join the MRF! Bill, Joy and Te would like to go to the Meeting of the Minds this year. Some research needs to be done to see if funds are available for all to go. Bob (Lincoln co) moves to table this discussion until the next Board meeting. Second by Glenna (WaCo). Eight (8) in favor. Zero (0) against. Sergeant at Arms (N): Jimmy Kasner sgtnorth@abateoforegon.net

He'll be at all State Events. Sergeant at Arms (S): Bill Foster sgtsouth@abateoforegon.net He too will be at all State Events with a couple extra hands.

Sergeant at Arms (E): VACANT

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Historian: Deb Rheault Kasner historian@abateoforegon.net She'll try and have the albums for the past 3 years at Fossil. If her schedule allows it, maybe the swap meets too.

Quartermaster: Gene Mortimore quartermaster@abateoforegon.net **Motions**: #1 Motion brought by Bob (Hub City)to reimburse Coordinator Joy Reyes \$110.00 for multiple day tickets into Moto1 event for networking for ABATE. Receipt required. Second by Ed (Central). In favor Six (6). Against Two (2). Motioned PASSED

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....Board Minutes continued...

#2 Motion brought by Bob (Lincoln Co) to accept Political advertising in monthly newspaper. Second by Bill (Two Rivers). In Favor Zero (0). Against Eight (8). Motion FAILED.

Closing comments: Joy is comfortable at going out and talking to like minded people about ABATE and the important work that they try and accomplish with the help from BikePAC. Bob from Lincoln county brought in a couple of large photographs from a run (he didn't remember which one) to raffle off. All monies received will go to the Bike Pac general fund.

Announcements: 5/6/23 MAY RALLY @ CAPITOL PARK IN SALEM. 5/20/23 SE PORTLAND CHAPTER POKER RUN. 5/25-29/23 FOSSIL CAMPOUT.

THE NEXT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING IS 5/6/23

Stay up to date at our website: www.abateoforegon.net

Motion to adjourn made by Bill (Two Rivers) Second by Bob (Lincoln Co), .

Adjourn @ 220 Deb Rheault Kasner secretary@abateoforegon.net 4/8/23





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STATE COORDINATOR

Hello fellow riders,

Abate of Oregon is excited to be part of the May Awareness Rally coming up on May 6th and 7th at the Oregon State Capitol in Salem. We all need to stand up for our rights for motorcycle safety, awareness and our motorcyclists rights. This is a BIG important event and only happens once a year. Your presence is needed! Please come and let your voice be heard. It's also really important to get out in our communities and to talk to folks and motorcyclists throughout our state.

ABATE bylaws, are being updated this year. Any changes will be posted in the newspaper the month prior before



any decisions are made final by the state board.

Thanks again to all our volunteers for making this organization possible after all these years in Oregon..

Joy Reyes State Coordinator

STATE RUN COORDINATOR

No report

STATE TREASURER



No report

NEWSMAG EDITOR

I've managed to make it to a couple of chapter events between all the inclement weather the PNW's been having. Getting out and riding, or getting those therapy miles as I like to call it. Riding season has just begun. Looking forward to the Fossil Campout in May and putting my order in for sunny warm weather for this year. I'd like to see it be a great year!



A reminder to the Chapters when sending your flyers in for sanctioning, please be diligent that it's the FINAL edition as the first flyer you send gets forwarded to the media team immediately. Once the media team gets it, it gets posted on social media, the webpage, the newsmag. and there's no taking it back from the internet, once it's out it gets shared to other places and gets printed. It creates confusion for folks and a ton of work for the media team to change out updated flyers. The changes need to be kept to big things like dates, times, locations. Your flyer should already be approved by the chapter before sending it anyhow. Little changes seem to be happening a lot this year and the year just started! Let's work together and make our jobs easier not harder., Thanks much!

Other than that, I'm planning a big riding trip this year, 16 days and it's hard to think about anything else! More on that later.

Would you like to write an article? Cool, send to news@abateoforegon.net

Peace out.

See ya in the wind~
"T"
Editor and then some



STATE SWAP MEET

I will be going to the S.E. Portland Chapter Swap Meet on April 23,2023 to help with security, parking, set-up and anything else I can help with. That way I will be able to familiarize myself with the mechanics of the swap meet.

I am currently trying to generate interest in a couple of different directions to try to get some other motorcycle groups and clubs to have a presence there. Time will tell how successful I am in getting some different people to exhibit their wares or skills.

It's such a great venue that it would be great if we can grow it and get some new people and expand our perimeters. I will be negotiating with the Elks management for our future swap meets also. Anyone with ideas for vendors or demonstrations or any ways to increase our visibility and audience, please email me with your ideas and as always,

PARTICIPATE. The S.E. Chapter does a great job but they can always use more bodies to help out. Who knows, that elusive bike part you have been lusting after may be sitting forlornly in someone's booth waiting for you to find it! You'll never know unless you go.

Stay dry, keep the shiny side up, and be happy.

Jimmy Kasner State Swap Meet Coordinator.

SGT AT ARMS NORTH

See Swap Meet Report as I will be there helping with security etc. as a Sergeant At Arms should be. Where ever we are needed, in whatever capacity we are needed in, is where we all should be. You know being there to help without being asked and with a smile on your face and a helpful attitude. It goes a long way toward keeping Abate of Oregon rolling along and gathering new members. Grow or die is nature's way of doing business.

Every organization reflects the attitude of its members to the outside world. How do you want the outside world to see Abate of Oregon?

Stay dry, be safe, have fun and represent ABATE of Oregon everywhere you go. Participate!!!

Jimmy Kasner Sgt At Arms North

A.B.A.T.E. MRF REPRESENTATIVE

No report

STATE MEMBERSHIP

We added (5) new members. Hope to meet you this summer; Michelle Cordova in Central Oregon, Sean and Erin Johnson in Hub City, Robert Grek in SE Portland, and Casey Pack in Two Rivers.

ABATE of Oregon is currently at 618 members, plus nine supported/additional chapters for a total of 628.

- (23) Renewed in March
- (55) Expired members. Notices will be sent soon...
- (02) Additional chapter added to a base membership. Chapter support is \$5/year/add'l chapter.
- (38) Due to renew (in May) were mailed.
- (11) Letters that mention we miss you... sent to members on the six months expired list.

Lifetime Members and Plus Ones, are also eligible to support chapters at the same low rate of \$5/year/add'l chapter.

All memberships offer a Member's Plus One at \$15/year, and family under age 18 at \$5/year.

A letter (signed by me) and provided by our insurance provider, has likely arrived with a card to name your beneficiary. Our members are covered for the AD&D benefit whether or not the card is returned. A couple pages here give answers to frequently asked questions and information about American Income Life Insurance Company.

Ride On! Glenna Membership Secretary





Michelle Cordova in Central Oregon Sean and Erin Johnson in Hub City Robert Grek in SE Portland Casey Pack in Two Rivers.





CENTRAL OREGON CHAPTER

Happy Easter Folks

It Happens to be the day I am writing this, so I thought I would throw that out there.

The weather is getting better some days, I have been trying to ride when I can. Rode 40.12 miles this afternoon in the rain, I know that isn't any comparison, to you valley riders, but I pick my riding days to be a little on the dry side, like a good Martini. Stirred, Shaken, I don't care, but dry is preferred. About 10 miles of that was dirt roads, so it was a good finish to a great day that started out at an Easter Egg hunt with my grandson, Elijah.

Well, we will be nailing down the details of who is working which stops for our, Rocks Lakes and Bridges run to raise money for the Motorcycle Riders Foundation. Then we should be ready to Rock lakes and roll over the bridges for a great day on June 3rd., hoping to get a good turn out this year. See the Flyer at Abateoforegon.net, or in the newspaper, or on our Facebook page. CentralOregon A.B.A.T.E. It would be great to see some other Oregon riders show up.

It is sad that we keep losing fellow riders here in Central Oregon to a variety of causes, just means we will have to put more names on our Teddy Bear Run shirts this year.

Bike Pac seems to be pushing along well with helping us keep some of our freedom, to ride as we choose to ride. I want to say thanks to BIKE PAC. If you have not been to their web site, go there take the survey, and show them support, so they can continue to fight our battles for us.

Don't forget to attend the May Awareness rally at the Capitol, I think I have an overlapping event but will get there if I can.

Well that is about all for now

Ride Fast Ride Free Ride Far

Ed Miller Central Oregon Chapter of ABATE of Oregon

DOUGLAS CO. CHAPTER

Hello from (still cold) Douglas County!

We want to extend a huge **Thank You** to everyone that attended our Easter Poker Run! The weather forecast was iffy, but fortunately there was just a little rain. The crowd was small, but it seems everyone had a good time. Special thanks to our local businesses that contributed prizes and to our starting spot, Del Rey Café in Winchester and



owner Leah Bennewate, and to Splitz Family Grill our end spot. Please support our local businesses.

We hope you will come back and bring your friends for the Thundering Waters Poker Run in June. It's a beautiful ride up the scenic North Umpqua River. And a very good time.

Hope you are ready for the ride season. Maintenance done, tires checked, and ride gear shined up. Next stop for us Josephine County Swap Meet April 29 & 30. See ya there.

Remember our monthly Chapter meetings, fourth Wednesday, 6 pm at Round Table Pizza in Roseburg.

Ride Safe, Ride Educated, Ride Sober, Becky Garino



HUB CITY CHAPTER

Originally called decoration day, from the traditions of decorating graves with flowers, wreaths, and flags, Memorial Day is a day to remember those who died serving our country.

I had the great privilege of serving this great nation for 8 years in the US Army, and the meaning of Memorial Day, and what it stands for has a profound grasp on me. I stood on the cliffs overlooking Normandy Beach, standing on hallowed ground, and felt the echoes of those lost souls resonating in the air and on the ocean waves below.

I have lost friends in battle, both on and off the battlefield. The playing of taps resonates in my soul, and touches me the way no other tune can.

Seeing the flag draped coffin of a loved one, the 21 gun salute, the tears and anger on loved ones faces from their loved one being taken much too soon... it burns into you and engrains itself deeply within.

Remembering those we have loved and lost is how we best cope with

them being gone. The memories they left with us the only light in our grief.

Get out this memorial day and ride for a soldier. Ride for the freedoms we are given at the loss of so many. Ride with the souls of our fellow brothers at your side.

Remember many of our fellow riders have served, and have lost brothers. Help them through this day that can be so tough, this day of remembrance.

Join us at Hub City in remembering one of our comrades, Don Mason at the Don Mason memorial baseball game at Goss Stadium at OSU June 16th.

JayLynn Sharpe Hub City Quartermaster





JOSEPHINE CO. CHAPTER

It's starting to be a busy summer. We worked for months preparing for our 26th annual ABATE MOTORCYCLE SWAP MEET AND BIKE SHOW, on *April 29 & 30* in Pottsville. Now that it is over, we are working on the rest of the summer events.

Next on our agenda is our MEET, EAT & RIDE. We will be hosting a *free* lakeside BBQ at Lake Selmac, in Selma. Families are welcome and encouraged. Lake Selmac has fishing, boat rentals, and room for the kids to run. A beautiful ride to Lake Selmac, and a fun afternoon with friends. The date is *Sunday*, *June* 4th at 1:00.

The SOUTHERN OREGON SUMMER RUN (SOS RUN) is on JULY 28-30 and features bike games, poker run, music, venders, and camping. It will be held in Glendale. Pack up your camping gear, or RV, and spend the weekend. The public is invited. AUGUST 5 (Sat) is our RUN TO THE COAST POKER RUN. Lunch will be provided by RR SMOKIN BBQ & GRILL. He has promised to keep the quality up and the price reasonable. We will meet at JD's, in Grants Pass. High hand prize will be \$400. If the year isn't moving fast enough for you, we are already planning our TOY RUN on Sat. October 7th. Come out and support the kids. Bring a new



unwrapped toy, and prepare to have fun, while riding for a great cause.

"Follow" our Facebook page for more details on all our events.

We are also getting the word out about the *Toll Roads* purposed in Oregon. Several of us have petitions to sign. We will have petitions at our events in case you haven't signed one yet. http:// VoteBeforeTolls.org

BikePac of Oregon has a poll that they would like everyone to take regarding your feelings and opinions on Lane Splitting, self-driving cars, Ethanol in our gas, Toll Roads, helmets and freedom of choice to choose riding gear, discrimination of motorcycle riders by businesses and law enforcement, and holding drivers accountable in motorcycle accidents. Your opinion is import. Oregon Motorcycle Rider Survey (jotform.com)

It wasn't until I got a motorcycle that I found out that adrenalin is brown.

Janice Jensen









LINCOLN CO. CHAPTER

Rainy coastal greetings from Lincoln County.

April showers bring May flowers. With the amount of showers we've had lately we should have flowers growing out of our! :) We would like to send a special thank you to those who braved the weather and joined us for our April 1st Poker run. It was a good time. And thanks to the person who won with a spade flush and donated their winnings back to the chapter. It was very thoughtful and appreciated.

May is Motorcycle Awareness month. If you haven't done it already, take a minute and take the rider survey at the BikePAC website.

www.bikepacoforegon.com They need your input. It takes less than a minute and the information from your answers provide valuable insight into fighting for YOUR MOTORCYCLE RIGHTS. It's free and anonymous. If you're not currently a BikePAC

member, think about joining. It's only \$15 a year.

May 6th is the annual May Awareness Rally in Salem across the street from the Capitol building. Come join us at this annual event and be a part of something wonderful. Memorial weekend is the annual Fossil campout in Fossil Oregon. Until next time.

Keep your Knees in the Breeze! Deb **Chapter Secretary** State Secretary State Historian **BikePAC Secretary**

PS: We will be raffling off a pair of tickets to the Fossil campout at our next monthly meeting on May 16th valued at \$90-\$100. Raffle tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. Meeting location

The American Legion Post 116. 424 W. Olive St. Newport, OR Meeting time is: 1800 (6:00pm)

NORTH COAST CHAPTER

Howdy YEE all !!!

Let's get up and ride, check your tires, lights, nuts and bolts, and give the old brakes a brake check before you take off. Check your nuts? WHO said that? Uffda

Our thanks to Cindy W. for getting sanctioning and insurance straightened out at the state level. GREAT!

KEEP Pastor Bob Hutson in your prayers as he recovers from an episode where he wound up in the hospital. Back home now from what I know.

Remember to come to the meetings on the third Tuesday of the month, the more the merrier come and make the meetings fun again little pun there, and the more the better. That would be April 18th for those of you who don't have the calendar app.

5:30 PM.

We have tentatively scheduled a CCA donation and road cleanup for May, date to be announced.

Also don't forget fossil is right around the corner Memorial Day weekend, this is a fun event to start the year, and our chapter voted to buy two trash cans so when you are there look for them and collect a prize for dumping your trash accordingly. (NOT REALLY!)

The "Around Saddle Mountain Run" will be upon us soon so save up some gas money so you can make it, no peddling on that route. June the 17th.

Ride strong and keep the shiny side up.

Allan Schumacher North Coast ABATE Coordinator

RIVER CITY CHAPTER

Our annual Teddy Bear Parade and Poker Run held in conjunction with the new friends and meeting many more. Northwest Cherry Festival on April 22 will have been over and done when this really about.....riding motorcycles. report is published. I assume it was great fun and we thank everyone who showed up! Details in the next newsletter.

Looking forward to riding with all my At the end of the day, that's what it's

Next chapter meeting will be Tuesday, May 2, 2023!

May the wind be always at your back.... Laura "Dilli"

at our last 2 monthly meetings and what River City Chapter Secretary an influx of energy that creates! Thank you all for blocking out the time and attending. Just getting out the door to even attend can sometimes feel like a

chore or a bother. But then you get

there, see familiar faces, have a few

laughs, and leave feeling fuller than when you arrived. Personally, I'm

We have had an increased attendance

Oregon meets the first Tuesday of every month at 7 PM. Location: The Shilo Inn Suites The

Dalles, 3223 Bret Clodfelter Way.

The River City Chapter of ABATE of

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Have something to buy/sell? Put it here in your news mag!

contact news@abateoforegon.net

SE PORTLAND CHAPTER

SOUTHEAST PORTLAND CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

First, I would like to apologize for missing last month's newsletter. My mind was on cruise to the Mexican Riviera. It was such an awesome vacation. But I am sorry that I dropped the ball on our newsletter article.

It was nice seeing so many new AND old faces at the Anniversary party. We had a fairly decent turnout. We had a great guy, by the name of Bongo, play music for us. He did a great job and was in tune with the kind of music we like. Good old "Rock and Roll"! Thank you, Bongo. We had tons of door prizes to choose from and a great 50/50 drawing. We also sold tickets for a Special drawing. A set of \$800.00 value Cobra Mufflers, A certificate for a Bed & Breakfast in Arizona \$300 value (you must prove your own transportations) and an awesome wooden motorcycle. You do not have to be present to win and tickets are \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00. There is a little time to get in on this great drawing. Come to the next meeting an get your tickets.

We now have all of our officer positions filled. Everyone Welcome "Hippy" Bob Grek as our new Vice Co-Ordinator, Brad Hollis as our new Swap Meet Director and Chuck Luce as our new Road Captain #2. Chuck has also volunteered to be "State" Products Director. A BIG Thank you all for volunteering.

Mark your Calendars for April 23 to come to the ABATE Swap Meet at the Elks Lodge on SE McLaughlin Blvd. Our new Swap Meet Director, Brad Hollis, (with the expertise help of James niece) is getting everything all organized for a GREAT turnout.

Remember admission is only \$5.00 per person to get in. Booths start at \$30.00 and are on a "first come, first serve" basis.

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. Come to a meeting a get some.

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

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

Membership names drew at the meetings and how much they lost for not being at the meeting. Drew Lang - \$55.00, Kenny Norrad \$60.00, Bob Wild - \$65.00, Ally Sties - \$70.00.. The anti goes up \$5.00 each meeting it is not claimed. (With a max of \$75.00).

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 1st & 3rd Sundays at noon.

Anna Dahl - Chapter Secretary.....Chapter Coordinator is Rotten Roger - 503-285-4329

















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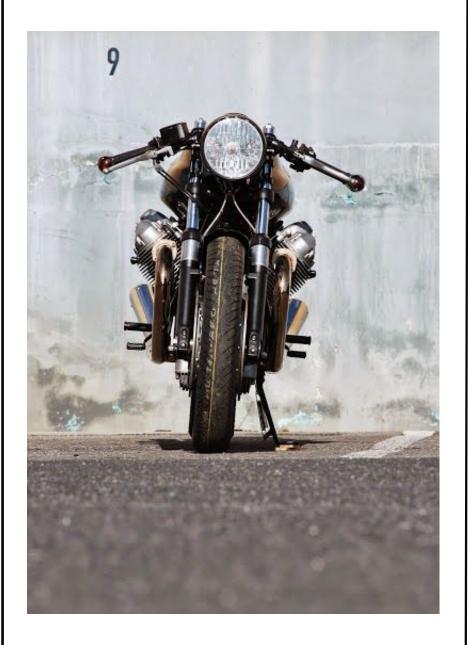




TWO RIVERS CHAPTER



No report



WASHINGTON CO. CHAPTER

ABATE: A brotherhood against totalitarian enactment. We endorse freedom, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. Riding motorcycles for us is more than a means of transportation from one place to another. It's fun and it is also an escape from the harsh realities of everyday life.

As we approach the month of May I am reminded about one of my engrossing memories that is almost like a hobby.

On the 17th of May 2015 in Waco, Texas at the Twin Peaks Restaurant a horrible murderous massacre took place that never will be forgotten. 9 bikers died from gunfire, 18 were injured and 177 were arrested. To this day facts are being covered up by the authorities. Of the one case that went to trial, it ended in a mistrial. It took four years to finally dismiss all charges against the defendants. As of 2019 there were still 130 civil cases brought against the various authorities, i.e.: Former District attorney, former Police Chief, City of Waco, McLennan Co., local and state officers involved in the mass arrest.

From what I've read it looks like the cops were the ones doing most of the shooting (with rifles). A few Bandidos and Cossacks started a very brief squabble where handgun shots were fired and a biker was fatally wounded. That then led to the cops opening fire from rooftop sniper positions where they targeted victims with impunity. The cops had prepared in advance for the event days before and were set in their strategic positions ahead of the Confederation of Clubs meeting. I know of no police being charged or convicted of any malfeasance. They got away with murder!

For anyone interested in viewing facts of the case, Wikipedia provides a bunch of references. How could this happen in America at this time of enlightenment? Have we humans advanced much from the time of Adam and Eve when Cain slew Abel?

Since we can't change the past, the best we can do is to do what we can today. Like living the golden rule. Helping others can help us get out of ourselves. Well, I should speak for myself. I don't feel like such a grumpy old grandpa when I do something good for others.

Here's something you're not expecting to read about in our newspaper: The Tulip festival held at the Wooden Shoe Tulip Farm near Woodburn, Oregon. Dates, March 24th to April 30th, 2023. Tickets can only be purchased online. This is an annual event that has become quite popular. Looking for a destination that is different and colorful? This might be it.

See many biker activities flyers and information posted elsewhere. The Moto One Show will have happened by the time you read this.

Washington County's first run of the season will be held on Sunday June 11th, 2023. Roll-N-Ride will start at the Prime Time Restaurant, 4450 Pacific Ave, Forest Grove, Oregon. Meet at 10am. Profits benefit the Oregon Food Bank.

Be Cool, Ride Hard DB Cooper



2023 ABATE EVENTS

(dates and times subject to change)

2nd Saturday of each month - State Board Meeting at Cidicci's Pizza, Albany, OR

5/6	May Awareness Rally	State of ABATE Supported	
5/20	Poker Run	SE Portland Chapter	
5/25-5/29	Fossil Camp out	State of Oregon ABATE	
6/3	Rocks, Lakes and Bridges	Central Oregon Chapter	
6/4	Picnic	Josephine County Chapter	
6/11	oll and Ride Washington County Chapt		
6/16	The Don Mason Memorial	Hub City Chapter	
	BaseballGame at Goss Stadium OSU		
6/17	Around Saddle Mountain Run North Coast Chapter		
6/24	Thundering Water Run Douglas County Chapter		
6/24	Downed Riders Poker Run	SE Portland Chapter	
6/25	Swap Meet in Miwaukie	State ABATE	
6/29-7/17	Safety Banner	Hub City Chapter	
7/15	Roll and Ride	Hub City Chapter	
7/15	Scavenger Hunt	Washington County Chapter	
7/28-7/30	SOS Campout	Josephine County Chapter	
8/5	Run to the Coast	Josephine County Chapter	
8/5	To Broke For Sturgis Run	North Coast Chapter	
8/11-8/13	Beaver Creek Campout	Lincoln County Chapter	
8/19	End of the Summer Run	Washington County Chapter	
8/26	Poker Run	SE Portland Chapter	
9/16	Teddy Bear Run	Central Oregon Chapter	
9/16	Poker Run	Lincoln City Chapter	
9/23	Picnic	SE Portland Chapter	
10/7	Toy Run	Josephine County Chapter	
10/21	Annual Planning Meeting-Cottage (Grove State of Oregon ABATE	
11/18	Toy Run	Washington County	
11/18	Spaghetti Feed	North Coast Chapter	
12/9	Chili feed and Run	North Coast Chapter	

















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Registration Starts at 9 a.m.

Stops include:

Tom & Jerry's - Taylorville** Buckshot Betty's - Vernonia** Jewell Meadows Wildlife Area - Hwy 202 Astoria Moose Lodge**

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Kickstands up at 10 a.m.

The Astoria Moose Lodge is preparing Pulled Pork Sandwiches and Coleslaw for us \$12.00

For more information, visit www.northcoastabate.com E-mail info@northcoastabate.com or call Allan Schumacher 971.320.0862

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Major Car Maker Having Second Thoughts? March 31, 2023

A letter released to the public on Thursday, from the Ford Motor Company to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) regarding automated driving systems is eye opener. While not giving up on "self-driving cars" Ford appears to be dialing back their testing and investment.

In the letter, Ford formally withdraws a petition seeking U.S. regulatory approval to deploy up to 2,500 self-driving vehicles annually without required human controls like steering wheels. Ford states, "We believe the road to fully autonomous vehicles, at scale, with a profitable business model, will be a long one."

In December, the Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF) worked with bipartisan lawmakers in Washington, D.C. to get answers from NHTSA about this new technology. The deployment of vehicles like the type mentioned in the Ford letter, are a major concern of motorcyclists. The MRF remains troubled by the rush to allow testing of these vehicles on public roads.

While the decision by Ford appears to be based on the economic reality surrounding this new technology, the MRF applauds any decision that pauses the deployment of this unproven technology on our nation's roads

Full letter here> https://motorcycleridersfoundation.wildapricot.org/resources/FordLetter.jpg.

MRF For Immediate Release April 12, 2023

Biden's Full Court Press on Electric Vehicles

Media reports have surfaced regarding a planned announcement by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) designed to ensure that all-electric cars make up as much as 67 percent of new passenger vehicles sold in the country by 2032.

According to the New York
Times, "The proposed rule
would not mandate that electric
vehicles make up a certain
number or percentage of sales.
Instead, it would require that
automakers make sure the total
number of vehicles they sell
each year did not exceed a
certain emissions limit. That

limit would be so strict that it would force carmakers to ensure that two thirds of the vehicles they sold were all-electric by 2032."

In 2021 roughly 6% of vehicles sold were electric. Increasing that percentage by a multiple of 10 in less than a decade presents numerous challenges. Sourcing the materials to make the batteries, building an adequate number of charging stations and ensuring the electrical grid is safe and secure to meet the increased demands are all major issues.

This potential EPA announcement comes as states around the nation are tackling the issues very differently. While California has been at the forefront of the attacks on combustion engines, other

states have sought to protect such engines. This week lawmakers in Wisconsin held hearings on legislation that would protect the combustion engine. The legislative analysis of Wisconsin S.B. 212/ A.B. 142 states, "Under this bill, no state agency and no local governmental unit may restrict the use or sale of motor vehicles based on the energy source used to power the motor vehicle, including use for propulsion or use for powering other functions of the motor vehicle."

The federal government is also split on the issue. While the Biden Administration is pushing for increased sales of electric vehicles, Republicans in Congress last month introduced H.R. 1435 the "Preserving Choice in Vehicle Purchases

Act," that would amend the Clean Air Act to prevent the elimination of the sale of internal combustion engines.

The MRF's 2023 legislative agenda states the MRF will, "Work to ensure the survival of internal combustion engines," to do that we will keep you posted on this situation as it develops and seek your help with an upcoming call to action.

Stay tuned...





TEAM OREGON MOTORCYCLE SAFETY PROGRAM For more information on classes and locations please visit http://team-oregon.org/ or call 1-800-545-9944

Endorsement Courses

For new and unlicensed riders, a Team Oregon endorsement course is required by law. Getting your endorsement is done in three steps:

- Take the course
- Pass the test
- Go to DMV

eRider Basic Rider Training is an approved endorsement course all riders. No experience is needed.

Students receive eight hours of on-bike training over 2 days. Training motorcycles are provided. The classroom portion is done online at home. This course meets Oregon's mandatory training requirements for all new license applicants.

Basic Rider Training (BRT) is an approved endorsement course for all riders. No experience is needed.

Students receive eight hours of on-bike training over 2 days. Training motorcycles are provided. Classroom sessions are done in-person, on-site over 3 days. (Note that face masks may be required in the classroom.) This course meets Oregon's mandatory training requirements for all new license applicants.

eRider Intermediate Rider Training_is an approved endorsement course for riders 21 and older who can already operate a motorcycle. You must be able to smoothly get underway, turn, shift and stop. Students receive four hours of on-bike training. Training motorcycles are provided. The classroom portion is done online at home. This course meets Oregon's mandatory training requirements for new license applicants 21 and older.

<u>Intermediate Rider Training (IRT)</u> is an approved endorsement course for riders 21 and older who can already operate a motorcycle. You must be able to smoothly get underway, turn, shift and stop.

Students receive four hours of on-bike training. Training motorcycles are provided. The classroom portion is done inperson, on-site. (Note that face masks may be required in the classroom.) This course meets Oregon's mandatory training requirements for new license applicants 21 and older.

Advanced Training

ADVANCED TRAINING IS NOT JUST FOR EXPERTS. IT'S HOW RIDERS BECOME EXPERTS.

For endorsed riders, the Team Oregon suite of advanced courses will help you tune up, smooth over, sort out, dial in and nail down your riding skills. Join us!

For endorsement courses for new, returning and unlicensed riders, click here.

RSP Road Riding Tactics (RSP) is for endorsed riders who want to raise their skills to a higher level, focusing on low-speed control, effective braking and precision curve skills. Tuition is \$99. 4.5 hours

Advanced Braking Clinic (ABC) is a short course for endorsed riders to refine braking skills in normal and emergency situations at real road speeds. Learn to use that ABS! Tuition is \$79. 3 hours

Cornering Clinic is taught on a kart track and focused on curve skills. Learn where to look, body position, selecting lines and linking turns. Trikes and reverse trikes welcome! Tuition is \$79. 2.5 hours

Precision Maneuvering Clinic (PMC) is a slow-cone course for endorsed riders modeled on police motorcycle training. Participants master low-speed balance and control, tight turns, U-turns, group riding and parking techniques. Tuition is \$99. 4.5 hours

Advanced Riding Techniques (ART) is designed to refine strategies, decision making, braking and cornering skills on the tight turns and curves of kart track. Trikes and reverse trikes welcome! Tuition is \$179. 7 hours

Adventure training Team Oregon does not offer adventure training, but partners with RIDE Adventures in Bend, Ore. RIDE Adventures provides world-class adventure bike training, rentals and tours to street riders ready to expand their skills off-pavement. Beginner ADV riders are welcome, but the course is an eye opener even for experienced ADV riders. Learn more.

Track Days Team Oregon does not offer track days, but partners with MotoCorsa to provide entry-level track-day training at racetracks in the Pacific Northwest. More details and a course schedule coming soon!

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

CIRCLE THE DATE – 38TH NCOM CONVENTION IN ARIZONA A "must-see" in the biker's rights community, this year's NCOM Convention is scheduled for Father's Day weekend, June 16-18, 2023 at the Hilton Phoenix-Tempe, so don't miss this opportunity to empathize with hundreds of fellow concerned riders coming together from across America for the "Betterment of Biking"!

Register online at www.ON-A-BIKE.com or by calling the National Coalition of Motorcyclists (NCOM) at (800) 525-5355, and be sure to reserve your hotel room now by calling (480) 967-1441, and mention NCOM for our Special Room Rate.

US & EU PUSH IMMINENT DEMISE OF FOSSIL FUEL VEHICLES

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has proposed sweeping emissions cuts for new cars and trucks through 2032, a move it says could mean two out of every three new vehicles automakers sell will be electric within a decade.

The EPA proposal, if finalized, represents the most aggressive U.S. vehicle emissions reduction plan to date, with automakers forecast to produce 60% EVs by 2030 and 67% by 2032 to meet requirements - compared with just 5.8% of U.S. vehicles sold in 2022 that were EVs.

John Bozzella, CEO of the Alliance for Automotive Innovation representing General Motors, Volkswagen, Toyota and others, told Reuters that "factors outside the vehicle, like charging infrastructure, supply chains, grid resiliency, the availability of low carbon fuels and critical minerals will determine whether EPA standards at these levels are achievable."

EPA Administrator Michael Regan declined to endorse setting a date to end the sale of new gasoline-powered vehicles, and emphasized that the current proposal is a "performance-based standard" and not an EV mandate.

Taking an even stricter approach, abroad, the European Parliament has formally approved a law to effectively ban the sale of new petrol and diesel cars in the European Union from 2035, aiming to speed up the switch to electric vehicles and combat climate change.

The landmark rules will require that by 2035 carmakers must achieve a 100% cut in CO2 emissions from new cars sold, which would make it impossible to sell new fossil fuel-powered vehicles in the 27-country bloc.

Meanwhile, back in the states, U.S. Representative John Joyce (R-PA) along with more than sixty cosponsors has introduced House Resolution 1435 "To amend the Clean Air Act to prevent the elimination of the sale of internal combustion engines."

Titled the "Preserving Choice in Vehicle Purchases Act," H.R. 1435 is designed to protect Americans' right to choose the technology that powers their motor vehicles.

CALIFORNIA BILL WOULD LIFT BANS ON CRUISING

Assemblyman David Alvarez (D-San Diego) has introduced Assembly Bill 436 to repeal the ban on cruising statewide and prohibit local authorities from stopping drivers from cruising and driving cars that have been modified to be of a certain height.

Cruising became popularized nationally after the release of breakout film "American Graffiti" in 1973, a coming of age comedy-drama set in 1960s Modesto, but cities across California (and elsewhere) began to enact bans on cruising in automobiles [and motorcycles] starting in the 1970s during the oil embargo. In 1982, the California Legislature authorized cities to pass ordinances prohibiting cruising, declaring "the cruising of vehicles in business areas of cities and communities in this state for the purpose of socializing and assembling interferes with the conduct of business, wasted precious energy, resources, impedes the progress of general traffic and emergency vehicles, and promotes the generation of local concentrations of air pollution and undesirable noise levels."

AB 436 would remove the authorization for a local authority to adopt rules and regulations regarding cruising. This current effort follows a resolution unanimously approved by the State Legislature last year (ACR 176) encouraging cities to repeal their bans and recognizes that cruising holds cultural significance for many communities.

LANE SPLITTING BILL FILTERS THROUGH OREGON LEGISLATURE Beaver State lawmakers are taking another crack at letting motorcyclists travel between lanes in slow or stopped traffic, two years after then-Gov. Kate Brown unexpectedly vetoed a similar bill. Senate Bill 422 recently passed the Senate with strong bipartisan support by a 27-2 vote. It now heads to the House, where representatives in both parties have signed on as sponsors.

If passed, motorcyclists would be able to travel between lanes on multi-lane highways with a speed limit of at least 50 mph, but only when traffic has slowed to 10 mph or less. Motorcyclists riding between cars could travel no more than 10 mph faster than the flow

Motorcyclists argue the policy can improve traffic congestion and leaves them less vulnerable to being rear-ended by inattentive drivers. If the bill makes it through the Senate and receives gubernatorial approval, Oregon would join four other western states in endorsing some form of the practice, which is known as lane splitting, lane sharing or lane

filtering, depending on the exact details of the behavior allowed.

California currently allows lane splitting under different circumstances than Oregon's proposed law, as does Montana. Utah allows a similar concept called "filtering" when traffic is stopped at an intersection. A policy in Arizona took effect in September.

Neighboring Washington does not allow the practice, though is currently considering such legislation (HB 1063). One frequently cited study from the University of California Berkeley concluded that lane splitting can be safe under certain conditions.

HAWAII CONSIDERS 'RIDE ON RED' LEGISLATION

A new bill in the Aloha State could allow riders to go on red lights during certain hours, as House Bill 1319 aims to solve the problem of motorcyclists being stranded at red lights that don't detect their presence.

"If you don't have enough metal, sometimes you won't be detected because the loops work on electromagnetic fields which is broken by metal," according to Hawaii Department of Transportation engineering program manager Bryan Kimura.

HB 1319 "Allows operators of bicycles, motorcycles, and mopeds to proceed through an intersection on a steady red signal during certain hours (11 p.m.-5 a.m.) if the traffic signal is controlled by a vehicle detection device that is inoperative due to the size or composition of the bicycle, motorcycle, or moped."

Hawaii already allows "shoulder surfing" for motorcyclists, which is considered an alternative to lane splitting on their narrower roads.

Over 20 states have enacted "dead red" or "ride on red" laws that give motorcyclists and bicyclists an affirmative defense to proceed through a red light with caution after stopping when they are not detected by the traffic light controller, though each state is different and has its own unique rules about the time period.

FACIAL RECOGNITION COMING TO MOTORCYCLES

With AI in the mainstream news lately, and new technologies integrating into our daily lives, it should come as no surprise that BMW is now the first motorcycle manufacturer in the world to incorporate facial recognition software that makes the traditional ignition key superfluous.

Billed as anti-theft technology, BMW's iFace system utilizes infrared to map the rider's facial features, builds a virtual model of the user's face in three dimensions, and should someone else attempt to steal your BMW, iFace will send a distress message to eCall electronic emergency service and BMW Motorrad Call Centre.

Further, to help identify the thief, the scan data is sent to a central international database of criminals for identification. We don't

recommend you use this feature if you have any outstanding warrants.

The system is set to be unveiled to the public at an autumn 2023 motorcycle show, and it'll only be available on BMW's Boxer-engined bikes.

POLICE DRONES ZERO IN ON MOTORCYCLE ROAD SAFETY

New police drones are being trialed in the U.K. to try and reduce road accidents, with a particular focus put on motorcyclists. The RAC reports that the drones will be able to be used to track a vehicle's speed, and record any incidents. Video captured from the drone can then be used against offending road users. Additionally, the drones are reportedly able to check the insurance, MOT, and road tax status of a car or motorcycle, and even track stolen vehicles.

Recording of a vehicle can be done by a drone up to four miles away, and the project is a part of the Police's "Vision Zero" initiative, which aims to improve road safety by totally eradicate injuries and deaths from road traffic collisions and crashes.

It seems that there is a particular focus on motorcyclists, as Inspector Colin Harper from the drone team described the use of the drones as "innovative" and added: "At present, our focus is on motorcyclists, who are at highestrisk according to our data, particularly at this time of year when more riders will be venturing out again after the winter."

SUSTAINABLE SAFETY: BAMBOO HELMETS

Just as pillowcases have gone from cotton to bamboo, the helmet industry is following suit with bamboo helmet shells produced by French motorcycle helmet brand Roof.

Coverage from RideApart.com states that each helmet comes with a clear protective coating over the bamboo fibers, and that "Roof claims that the Bamboo helmet is just as safe as a standard polycarbonate shell," adding; "The bamboo shell has been engineered to be flexible, resistant, and lightweight. Of course, the helmets have undergone independent testing, and are certified under the latest ECE 22.06 standard."

Expect it to arrive in a recycled bag, retailing for €349 EUR (that translates to around \$382 USD), with the promise to make you the highlight at the next rally.

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).

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.

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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BikePAC needs more motorcyclists to take the RIDER SURVEY You can find it on the BikePAC of Oregon website www.bikepacoforegon.com or with this QR code.



SB422 Oregon's lane hearing bill, had a public hearing on March 2. The Bill passed Unanimously, out of the committee with an amendment to increase fines for riders choosing to split lanes faster than 20 MPH, or to ride in a careless manner, while traffic is stopped or slowly moving.

Thanks to the outstanding job of the motorcycle community, this bill received the second highest number of letter submissions, since the 2023 session began. Out of 662 testimonials, 16 were opposed.

Following the Committee vote, the bill went to the senate floor and passed 27-2.

The bill was then referred to the Joint Transportation committee, where it awaits another hearing.

The lane Sharing bill has taken on a life of it's own, and has been covered by the local Portland Press on several occasions.

It is the hope of everyone working hard to get this bill passed, that by the time you read this article, lane sharing will be a little closer to the Governor's desk.

We have decided to hold off on the next Call to Action, while BikePAC and Lane Share Oregon work with sponsors of the bill to navigate a more complex committee and timeline. Please stay tuned to the BikePAC Facebook page for updates and alerts.

Other bills that BikePAC is watching are **HB2426**, which deals with Flammable liquids. It is out of committee and no vote scheduled. This is the self-serve gasoline bill in short.

There is a **SJR19** which deals with TOLLS on specific Oregon roads. This bill is very similar to the requirement of "No Toll Army" petition. It requires ODOT to allow a vote of counties affected by Tolls before any can be imposed. No movement on this bill so far.















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The organization of BikePAC consists of an Executive Director, Lobbyist, Secretary, Treasurer, and Membership officer. Currently the Executive

Director position is vacant and our current lobbyist is looking for an assistant to learn the ropes and eventually take over. Elections are usually held in May and take effect in June.

Duties of the Executive Director are to preside over BikePAC meetings, set priorities of legislative action, provide budget input to the Treasurer and generally provide oversight to activities.

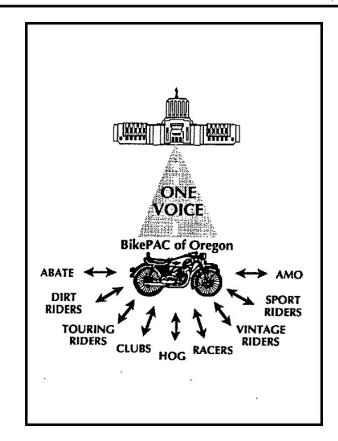
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H.R. 1435 the "Preserving Choice in Vehicle Purchases Act"

Across the country a battle is underway between those that want to end the availability of combustion engines, and those fighting to protect their survival. While states like California and Massachusetts are setting timelines for purchase bans on internal combustion engines, other states like New Hampshire and Wisconsin are pushing back.

The Biden Administration recently rolled out plans shifting this country to a majority electric vehicle market over the next ten years. Republicans in Congress have responded. In March, Rep. John Joyce of Pennsylvania introduced H.R. 1435 the "Preserving Choice in Vehicle Purchases Act." H.R. 1435 would amend the Clean Air Act to prevent a ban on the sale of internal combustion engines, effectively trumping any state law that outlaws their sale.

Now is the time to have your voice heard. Let Congress know you support the right to choose the type of engine you buy.

Please contact your Member of the House of Representatives and ask them to support H.R. 1435.



7 Best Motorcycle Roads in Oregon By John Brown / February 7, 2023

Highway 6 to Tillamook

This is one of my best coastal routes in the state. Highway 6 is well known for its amazing scenery and twisty roads. It starts in Tillamook, passes through some stunning views of the Pacific Ocean, and then eventually ends at Seaside. I like to start my trips at Banks, where I can get a good view of the coast and then make my way to Tillamook. Along the way, there are plenty of scenic views that make this route one of the most enjoyable in Oregon.

Santiam Highway- Oregon Coast

This gently curving road is another favourite due to its many twisty turns and stunning views. Santiam Highway runs along the Oregon Coast, giving you plenty of opportunities to take in some breathtaking vistas. Santiam Highway also has several stops that I like to make on my trips, including Cape Lookout State Park for some awesome views of the ocean and Haystack Rock. If you like stunning forested scenarios, this route has plenty of that too. It takes you through western Oregon's lush temperate rainforest, so you can enjoy the scenery as much as the ride.

MacKenzie River Highway

Take a ride on Highway 126 which follows the course of the MacKenzie River, giving you a breathtaking view of the river. This twisty route is full of tight curves and turns, offering an exciting ride for any level of rider. The road also goes through the Cascade Mountain Range, giving you plenty of opportunities to take in stunning views. Don't forget to stop at one of the many scenic overlooks along the way for some amazing photos. The forest is dense and green, making the ride even more enjoyable. As you make your way down this road, you will be surrounded by some of Oregon's most stunning scenery.

Troutdale to Dobson

I like this road because it follows the Columbia River along the Oregon-Washington border. It's a great way to take in some spectacular views of the river, as well as the lush forest that surrounds it.

The road is twisty and scenic, so you can enjoy the ride while taking in all of the stunning sights along the way. This route has some of the best waterfalls and scenic overlooks in the state, so make sure to take some time and enjoy them.

Clackamas River Highway

Start from Estacada and go all the way to Detroit for some serious curves and incredible views. Clackamas River Highway is one of Oregon's most popular roads, and it's easy to see why.

The road runs along the Clackamas River and takes you through some stunning forest scenery. The curves are tight and twisty, giving even experienced riders an exciting ride.

You'll also be passing through the Cascade Mountains and forested valleys, so there's plenty of opportunity to take in some stunning views. However, you want to make sure your tank is full before you start this route, as there are not many gas stations along the way.

Hells Canyon Scenic Byway

The Devil's Tail is right on the Oregon-Idaho state line and is a great place to ride. This road offers some of the most amazing views in the state, as it goes through the Hells Canyon National Recreation Area.

You can start your trip from Baker City and journey about 71 miles to Oxbow, taking in some of the most impressive views of the canyon. Along the way, you will be able to stop and enjoy various scenic overlooks or take a dip in the Snake River for an unforgettable experience. This is definitely one of my favorite roads in Oregon and should not be missed by anyone looking to ride through this beautiful state.

Dooley Mountain Highway

This road is commonly referred to as the 'Little Dragon" and for good reason. The 14-mile stretch of highway offers plenty of tight curves and hairpin turns as it winds its way through the forested mountainside. You will experience about 200 corners within this short stretch of road, making it a great ride for experienced riders. There are plenty of scenic overlooks where you can stop and take in some breathtaking views of the surrounding landscape. You can begin your journey at Unity and go north via US-26, taking advantage of amazing views as you go.

This route should be on the list for any rider looking to experience some great scenery, tight curves, and a memorable ride.

Does Oregon have any good motorcycle roads?

Oregon has plenty of great motorcycle roads. From twisty mountain routes to long highways that follow the course of rivers, there is something for all levels of rider.

Are there any roads in Oregon that are good for beginner motorcyclists?

There are plenty of roads in Oregon that are great for beginner riders. You want to start with roads without too many tight turns or switchbacks, so look for routes with long straights and gentle curves.

How can I find the best motorcycle roads in Oregon?

The best way to find good motorcycle roads in Oregon is to do your research. Check online for reviews from other riders, or even ask locals who may have some tips on where to go. However, the routes discussed in this article are among the best roads in Oregon for motorcyclists and should not be among your top picks.







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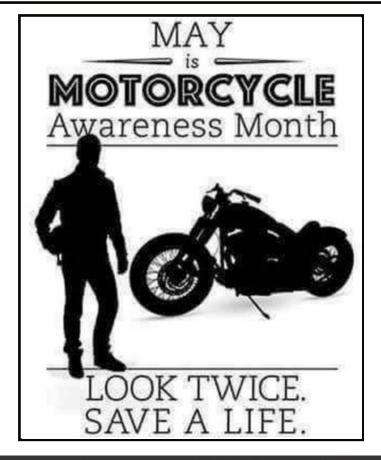
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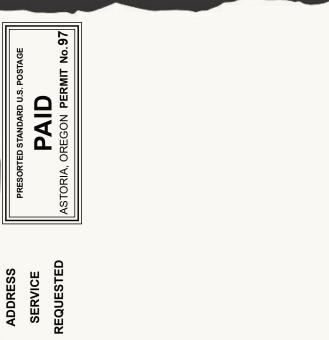


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A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon



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 A.B.A.T.E.?

We are a State Motorcycle Rights
Organization dedicated to 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 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.



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