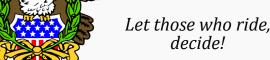
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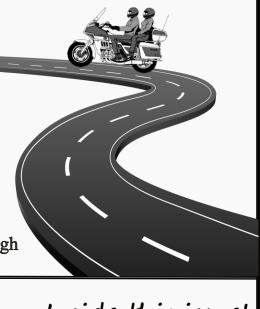
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### A.B.A.T.E. / BikePac VICTORIES

### 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1977 - Oregon's mandatory helmet law is repealed.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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2<sup>nd</sup> Sat noon - 3:00 pm Ciddici's Pizza, Albany Join on ZOOM or call in:

Dial in number: 253.215.8782, Meeting ID: 329-149-1005 Passcode: 539829

**CENTRAL OREGON (CentOr)** 

2<sup>nd</sup> Sun 12:00 noon Redmond Moose Lodge #323, 541.788.4972

3199 N. Hwy 97 Redmond, OR q Ed Miller

DOUGLAS COUNTY (DC)

4<sup>th</sup> Weds 6:00 pm Round Table Pizza, 2040 NW Stewart Parkway, Roseburg 541.294.1123
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**HUB CITY (HC)** 

3<sup>rd</sup> Thurs 6:00 pm social hr. Pop's Branding Iron, 901 Pacific Blvd SE, Albany 541.514.1393

7:00 pm meeting Adam Karch - Coordinator

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JOSEPHINE COUNTY (JoCo)

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

LINCOLN COUNTY (LinCo)

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

NORTH COAST (NC)

3<sup>rd</sup> Tues 5:30 pm Moose Lodge, 420 17<sup>th</sup> St., Astoria ——

RIVER CITY (RC)

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

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1st Sun 12:30 pm NEW! High Rocks Steak & Chops, 915 E. Arlington, Gl;adstone, OR 503.285.4329

3<sup>rd</sup> Sun 12:30 pm NEW! Rotten Roger

TWO RIVERS (TR)

4<sup>th</sup> Wed 6:00 pm Abby's Pizza, 1976 Echo Hollow Rd, Eugene 541.729.5785 Bill Foster

**WASHINGTON COUNTY (WaCo)** 

2<sup>ND</sup> Mon 7:00 pm NEW! Prime Time Restaurant, 4450 Pacific Ave, Forest Grove

4<sup>th</sup> Mon 7:00 pm NEW! Hillsboro Elks, 21865 NW Quatama St., Hillsboro

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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.



### MRF REPRESENTATIVE

I had a safe trip to Harrisburg and back. The big news was Nebraska passing their freedom of choice helmet repeal. Starting Jan. 1st 2024, Brothers and sisters in Nebraska can leave their helmets at have a representative at next year's home if they so choose.

The Meeting of The Minds was very is now an assistant MRF Rep for informational to me. I took more than 20 pages of notes. Between Rick Prentice and I, we covered as many classes as possible. We both worked together making sure we didn't end up at the same class.

share our information to comprise a full report about what we learned.

Hopefully we will have a report for the November ABATE newsletter. I got a commitment from the MRF to May Awareness Rally. Brian Stovall Oregon. The MRF will do everything they can to support next year's regional event.

Thank you.

Bill Foster

Rick and I have to get together and MRF Rep for Oregon

### STATE SECRETARY

Hi y'all. I hope you've had a wonderful year so far. I want to remind you all that the last swap meet is in a few days and we are really excited. It's indoors and we should have a good turnout. The Planning Session is over and hopefully was a good one. Quite a few items were on this year's Agenda. The Minutes from the Planning Session along with the Board of Directors minutes for Oct.Nov. will be in the December newspaper. Just a reminder: THERE WILL NOT BE AN IN PERSON OR ZOOM MEETING IN NOVEMBER. We will resume on December 9th at Ciddici's Pizza south, 859 Belmont Avenue, Albany.

Let's try and remember that we all want the same outcome when it comes to ABATE of Oregon. Freedom of choice. Freedom of the road. We may not always agree on how to get there, but if

we try and give each other the respect that we all deserve from one another, we'll get there. Sometimes just listening without judgements can do wonders. Stay safe. Stay happy. Stay free. Let those who ride Decide.

I wish you all a very fulfilling and memorable Thanksgiving. I'm Thankful for all of my ABATE family, my loving husband, all my relations, and for all who fought for the Freedom I have today. How about you?

Many Biker Blessings,

Deb

secretary@abateoforegon.net

### STATE MEMBERSHIP

September welcomed six new members: Brian Cornelius (Lincoln County); John Schwarzin (Hub City); Colten Schwarzin Jr (Hub City); Craig Kendall (Hub City); Tom Goulter (SE Portland); and Tony Pett (Hub City).



September roll call was recorded with 562 active members. Eleven members support additional chapters, total membership at 551 active members.

Reminder notices for 19 members due in Nov., and five late notices were mailed. Fourteen renewals were received in September. Returned mail for Juan Hernandez in Welches and Tony Owen in Montana. If anyone knows these Indian Creek members, please reach out.

I visited the, BikePAC of Oregon, website and the rider survey seemed easier to complete than I remember. My concerns are updated, are yours?

Guy M Putman, at the request of the Washington County GOP Chairperson, will be at the State Convention in Pendleton as an Alternate Delegate this year. Clearing the hurdles to becoming a voting PCP. Thank you, Sarge!

Huge shout out to Craig, Jackie and Spanky for keeping membership in patches. To be successful, we need all the help we can get.

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THANK YOU MEMBERS & SUPPORTERS!!

### **New Members**

Start Date	Name	Chapter
9/1/2023	Colten Schwarzin	Hub City
9/1/2023	Kendall Craig	Hub City
9/1/2023	Sarah Craig	Hub City
9/1/2023	John E. Schwarzin Jr	Hub City
9/1/2023	Brian Cornelius	Lincoln Co
9/18/2023	Tom Goulter	SE PDX

### CENTRAL OREGON CHAPTER

Greetings Folks,

Well Summer has come and gone, along with our 25th Annual Teddy Bear Run. Which, by the way, seemed to be a success, from the feedback we received from everyone that attended. It was a little different this year with not visiting all the hospitals to deliver Teddy Bears. However, dropping them off at a Hospital Picnic, and being able to join in the fun and food provided by the hospital was a treat in itself. The food was excellent, and words from the hospital CEO, and Chaplin, as a big pat on our backs, was greatly appreciated and it felt good if I do say so myself. I would like to thank all who participated or helped out in any way shape or form, to make it another great year of doing good a thing for our community, and showing that, WE, the motorcyclists of Central Oregon, can make a difference and make the world a better place.

We have marked down some dates for next years events, so get ahead of the game, and reach out to other groups as to keep any conflicting dates from dividing riders as to which event to attend.

We need a few officers for our Chapter for the upcoming year, we will need a new coordinator, vice-coordinator, State board representative. Come try your hand at helping to keep the chapter going and heck make some changes and make it more fun and engaging.

As winter approaches, take time to get your motorcycles in good safe riding condition for the following season.

As for now

Ride Fast

Ride Free

Ride Far

Ed Miller

Coordinator for Central Oregon Chapter of ABATE of Oregon



### HUB CITY CHAPTER

Good to see everyone at Pop's Branding Iron for our September monthly meeting.

Been a great summer for getting out and about.

In October Hub City played to the crowd once again at Albany's Heritage Mall. Riding our bikes into the Mall Friday evening for a weekend of showing off to the mall visitors all of the different rides we have brings so many smiles, (and many conversations that start with "I remember when....). Venders served, and prizes given. Looking forward to next year's "Mall Ride" once again.

An upcoming event will be the Albany Veterans Day Parade in November. Hub City has also been invited to hosting an evening at Albany Christmas Storybook Land. A really fun time to watch the kiddies eyes get wide as they charge into the Christmas season.

Preparations for our Annual 2023 Chili Buns Ride are beginning. Come to our November meeting and add your input.

Nominations of Officers also at our November meeting. Hub City depends on the experiences and input of each member to keep our Chapter alive and growing. Our meetings are fun, as well as important in continuing our mission to educate the public, and our legislative representatives, about motorcycle awareness.

Were you the member of Hub City who was not at the last meeting? You missed out on a very nice cash reward.

Our next meeting will be at 7pm on November 16, 2023 at Pop's Branding Iron in Albany. Come early and have a nice dinner before the meeting.

Keep both eyes and all senses on high alert out there. With the beauty of the falling leaves also comes the awareness that those same leaves will become "mush" when they start feeling the moisture our Willamette Valley is famous for.

Til next time, Verle Steele Sgt at Arms



### **DOUGLAS CO. CHAPTER**

Greetings from Douglas County.

Things are well underway for next year thanks to our State officers and chapter participants. And, as is always the case, attention is being paid to prepare for the 2024 motorcyclist's rights issues both locally, and nationally that always seem to come with a new year. Please take time to familiarize yourself with pending issues, and any new insanity, and ACTIVELY support ABATE of Oregon and Bike-Pac. Please encourage any other riders and enthusiasts you may know or meet to join ABATE and get on board in helping to protect and preserve our rights to freedom of the road.

We are in the month of Thanksgiving which leads the way to Hanukkah, Christmas and the New Year.

One way of expressing Thanksgiving for all we have during this season is to contribute to, and participate in toy runs, giving to food banks, and helping fill unmet needs. The Josephine County 20th Annual Grants Pass Toy Run last month was a blast! It was a fun ride, there were lots of folks waving at riders and we enjoyed a huge lunch after. The two best parts were seeing all the toys for the kids, and spending time with our brothers and sisters of the road.

We would very much like to see all our Douglas County members at our meetings. Some of y'all have been missing in action for quite awhile. We would welcome and appreciate your ideas and participation. ABATE ...IS your organization.

Wishing you all a blessed and bountiful Thanksgiving, Becky Garino, Secretary

### 10 FALL MOTORCYCLE RIDING TIPS: SAFE TOURING IN AUTUMN

Nathaniel Hawthorne, the 19th Century author of "The Scarlet Letter" that was known for his dark romantic literature, said: "I cannot endure to waste anything as precious as autumn sunshine by staying in the house. So I spend almost all the daylight hours in the open air."

Though the idea of motorcycles were only in the minds of inventors at the time, Hawthorne's quote can describe a universal mindset of modern riders during the fall—especially the adventure rider who seeks long distances in the "open air."

Breathing in that crisp fall air does much for the soul, but the natural autumn conditions can provide some danger in regards to motorcycle safety.

Don't worry; we're here to help you get the most out of autumn motorcycling by offering the top fall motorcycle riding tips.

### 1. Beware of Falling Leaves

This is true on the road, but especially on the trails. Falling leaves create visual hazards, especially if they are wet. They can stick to your visor easily, or block a tree branch that's extending into your path of travel. Don't get distracted by leaves, regardless of how mesmerizing they are while falling.

### 2. Beware of Leaves on the Ground

Leaves on the ground present as equal of a hazard as falling ones. They cover up holes on the trails, rocks, or any other object protruding from the ground. On the road, also, they can cover up drain ditches and waterways. And remember that though leaves look dry, they ones on the ground are likely wet, which will quickly cause traction issues and a disaster on the trail.

### 3. Cooler Concrete, Less Traction

That says it all. Tires will come up to temperature with continuous riding, but it'll take much longer. And when stopping the tires cool down much faster, which

naturally creates less traction on the road. The offroad will also be slicker due to cooler rocks and dirt. 4. Layer Up!

Layering is the only way to go during autumn riding. Start with good base layers and mid layers, and always pack along an extra fleece or something similar for added warmth. This allows you to easily adjust your comfort zone while out riding.

### 5. Don't Forget the Rain Gear

Fall is the most unpredictable time of the year. You can be riding in pure sunshine at 70 degrees (F), and then it can drop to 50 and start raining. Even the light mist can penetrate your gear, so make sure your outer layers are up to par in the waterproof department. If you're wearing gear that's not waterproof, don't forget the rain suit!

### 6. Wildlife: Extra Caution Needed

Wildlife is more active searching for food in fall, which has them scattered. Deer usually feed close to roads, and their most active feeding time is dusk and dawn. Fall is a time for hunting, also, which will further scatter animals like deer and turkey. Work on maximizing peripheral vision to proactively recognize a threat and react, such as covering your brakes while slowing down, and always keep your eyes moving.

### 7. Beware Frosty Roads

Regardless of how warm the day temperatures can get, the mornings can provide some frosty conditions. Even the thinnest layer of frost can result in a loss of traction. Try to stay in the middle of the road since more frost will collect around the edges, and preferably ride in car-tire tracks.

### 8. Camping? Make Sure You Got the Essentials

Remember, it's autumn, and it can be 75 during the day and 40 at night. Plan accordingly if you're going to camp—something we highly recommend due to

the beauty. Just be prepared with a warmer sleeping bag, and find the most optimal place for a tent that won't take on any water or morning fog. For more, check out or Fall Camping Tips.

### 9. Check Tires and Fluids

Now is not the time to question your thread depth. If the tread depth is less than 2/32 of inch deep, you need some new skins. The easiest way to find out is place a penny upside down in your tread grove. If you can see Lincoln's hair, it's time for a new set. As we said, concrete is colder, and traction is less. Add some rain and you'll want to be channeling that water away from the surface of your tires.

Also, check your fluids and top off if needed. You don't want dirty brake fluid to thicken up quickly while riding in the colder weather. And for those with liquid-cooled engines, make sure your coolant is fresh

### Check Weather Often

Weather conditions are very unpredictable in fall, and fronts moving in can drop temperatures in a hurry. Keep an even closer eye on your favorite weather app while riding, especially if you're ADV touring and have some long distances to travel. This proactiveness is crucial to your riding comfort and safety, allowing you to plan a route around unstable skies, or find a hotel/campsite.

### Concluding Thoughts

There's no denying the beauty of the autumn season. And there's also no denying the best way to experience it – and that's on a motorcycle. But some added risks arrive during the fall riding season, and preparation is key. Follow these tips to get the most enjoyment out of fall riding, and keep the lifelong riding memories growing.

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### LINCOLN CO. CHAPTER

So sorry I didn't get an article in the last paper. My bad. We are heading into what will soon be WINTER! :(

Our Poker run was small as was the profit margin. We did collect a little bit of nonperishable food items for So. Lincoln Food Share. We left the food box at the American Legion for the next week and one of the regular members of the Legion took it in. Thanks for your donations and delivering to the Food Share. There's not much to report this time. The State Swap Meet is November 4th at the Portland Armory, 10000 SW 33rd Avenue in Portland. It's indoors! Bring your wares and come join us from 10am-4pm. See the State website www.abateoforegon.net for more info or look for the flier in this issue. Come support and maybe find that special part you've been looking for to finish your bike this winter. Until next time be safe out there.

Deb Chapter Secretary









### JOSEPHINE CO. CHAPTER

Welcome Josephine County ABATE members and friends.

It is hard to believe that 2023 is almost over! There are several changes in store for our chapter in 2024. Chapter elections will be held in December. We will be voting for a new Treasurer, Secretary, Historian, Membership Secretary, and Public Relations Officer. Nominations will be taken at the November meeting. Voting will be at the December meeting. Please make an effort to attend these important meetings.

Other changes coming in 2024 are;

- 1. Our Spring Swap Meet will continue to be held on April 27 in Pottsville.
- 2. We will continue our Meet, Greet, and Eat at Lake Selmac on June 8. We had a good turnout and people seemed to enjoy the time with friends and family
- 3. Run to the Coast Poker Run will continue on the 1st Saturday in August. August 3 in 2024.
- 4. Due to increasing expenses and a general lack of attendance, we have reluctantly canceled the SOS Run. We will have a second Swap Meet in October in Pottsvile. The date will be October 5.
- 5. After many years of our October Toy Run, we are changing the date to Sunday, November 16. We would like to thank all of the people who took the time to support the kids in Josephine County. Because of your generosity, families who may not have had a Christmas this year will have toys for their kids.

Thank you Spanky for getting all of the donations for raffle prizes and silent auction.

I spent the better part of two days working on my new trike. Thank you MFR and others for continuing to fight for our right to purchase aftermarket parts and to install them ourselves. I have enjoyed blinging out my new toy and making it mine. Thanks to them, I can still do that.

September 2023. House Passes Bill to Preserve Internal Combustion Engine. The House of Representatives passed a bill (H.R. 1435) preventing California and other states from passing or enforcing regulations that "directly or indirectly limit the sale or use of new motor vehicles with internal combustion engines..." Unfortunately, it still needs to go to Washington, where it could be vetoed.

Thank you Jackie for getting the meeting minutes out to those interested.

I will have to say that I am not liking the new self-serve gasoline law. Service is very slow as they appear to be waiting to see if I will pump it myself. The other day I whipped into the station (in a hurry as usual) and no one came to the pump to help me. I am used to pumping my own gas on my bike, but someone has always swiped my card and started the pump. Apparently, because I was on a motorcycle, they figured I could do it all myself. It has been years since I have had to pump my own gas and I didn't know how to run my card and work the pump. I ended up not getting my discount on my rewards card. I think I'm too old to learn new tricks, or maybe I am just spoiled.

Please join us for ABATE meetings on the 3rd Wednesday of each month. Meetings are held at the Fruitdale Grange at 6:00. We welcome guests and prospective new members. Join ABATE

Stressed out? Maybe you need an Iron Supplement.



### NORTH COAST CHAPTER

Greetings from the North Coast Chapter of ABATE!

Our unusually warm and dry summer is fading into a memory as autumn is here, now, with no real time to make a mental transition. We were able to make a September fun run up to Westport, WA and back to Astoria on Saturday Sept 16. The "Just Because" ride was wonderful as the last of the summer sun did not disappoint. Six days later, reality returned with "the normal" rain and more rain. So, is our riding over for the year? Absolutely not! But, with decreased daylight, the runs will be much shorter. Our three poker runs along with our November Spaghetti Dinner and Auction and December Chili Feed allows us to make donations to the North Coast community.

NC ABATE donates throughout the year to Clatsop County and local small community food baskets, along with providing scholarships to high school students interested in a trade career. Last May, we presented two students with scholarships at the yearly event. The Liberty Theatre was packed with graduating students accepting their numerous awards, along with their families beaming with pride. And there WE were, at least 7 or 8 NC ABATE members in full leathers on stage congratulating our two recipients! (Remember the movie, "MASK"?). Well, not quite to that extent, but we were full of pride for the two students.

Besides donating to the community, NC has recently purchased an AED unit. We will have it with us during our monthly meetings and on all rides. It's a "sign of the times." Cages and aging riders... need I say more?

Be mindful of yourself, your bike, and your environment. Stay vertical!

Linda Madden, NC Chapter Secretary

### SE PORTLAND CHAPTER

Hoping you all have had the best riding season ever AND looking forward to some good days ahead to put the rubber on the road. Hoping you all will continue to keep the rubber side down and make those rides memorable ones. Our road captain, Brad Hollis, has reminded everyone to NOT be complacent. Always be alert. Don't be thinking about what's going on at home or work but concentrate on that road. Not only in front of you, but behind and beside you. And when out in the country always ride as if that next curve you go around, may have a little too much gravel. No one needs the nickname "Road Rash"!

Our new meeting place has turned out to be awesome. High Rocks Steak house behind Volcano Harley Davidson. They have a great, inexpensive, menu. Serving breakfast until 2:00. As well as a lunch menu. Good Drinks and beverages. And really good service. Hope to see you attend our ever-growing meeting. Lots of new faces, as well as plenty of us old timers.

By the time this newsletter has gone to print, the State swap meet will be over with. Hopefully we can post that it being back at the Army National Guard Armory, was a GREAT success. If it turns out good, SE Chapter will also be having a Swap Meet there, the end of April.

Be sure to mark your calendars for December 2, 2023, for the Portland ABATE Shriners Toy Run. Bring your NEW Unwrapped toys. The hospital requests, NO stuffed animals unless they are pre-packaged by the manufacturer. Don't forget toys for ALL ages. Teenagers get left out a lot. We will have lots of PREVIOUS years t-shirts and run pins for sale. As well as a 50/50 drawing. 50 percent of what is taken in will go to the kids. The winner will take home the other 50 percent. Last year the winner won around \$450.00 and donated \$350.00 to the kids. I wish I could remember his name, but that was an awesome thing to do.

Mengis Mapps, who will be running as a candidate for Portland's next mayor, will be our Master of Ceremony for the Toy Run. Show up and let him see how BIKERS are always dedicated to their cause. Take time to meet him and feel free to ask him questions about his mission.

At our Membership drawing, Jordan Taylors name was drawn. He was not present so the money stays in the fund and goes up \$5.00 each meeting until won by someone present.

Enough said for this article except we are going to start nominations for next year's officers. Come and volunteer or nominate someone for a position. We need everyone's expertise and input. Hope to see you at the next meetings.

Anna Dahl SE Portland ABATE Secretary

### **Talking about a Salem Chapter**

Coming up on... November 26, 2023 at 3:00 pm

Abby's Pizza - 3451 River Rd. Keizer, OR 97303

North side of building, Family Friendly.

This is a gathering of like-minded people to promote Motorcyclist's Rights.

A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc. Promotes Motorcycle Awareness, Education, Safety, and Liberty through Community Involvement and Legislative Action.

Everyone is invited. Riders and non-riders. Bring your stories and share, you are Welcome.

The sharing will be for an hour or so. If things are not settled as to having a minimum of 10 people, with five holding Officer positions, which then leads to a Charter, we all will just meet again. After a Charter is obtained then Membership sign up will commence. This is free form. I welcome your input.



About membership from Glenna: ..."Feel free to transfer chapter membership, just let me know, it's easy. For an additional \$5 I can tag another chapter (or chapters, \$5/each) with your membership and you'll show up on each chapter roster as active.

Thanks for your participation, ABATE needs volunteers :)"...

It's going to be interesting.

Kindest Regards, Michelle Jayne FitzHenry



### Motorcyclist Advisory Council Being Established!

Monday morning, after nearly two years of delay, the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) announced the initial steps to establish the Motorcyclist Advisory Council (MAC). In November of 2021, Congress passed, and President Biden signed the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act. Included in the law was reformation of the MAC.

The MAC will coordinate with and advise the Secretary of Transportation, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) Administrator, and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Administrator on transportation issues of concern to motorcyclists, including motorcycle and motorcyclist safety; barrier and road design, construction, and maintenance practices; and the architecture and implementation of intelligent transportation system technologies.

As stated in the announcement, "The MAC seeks to have a fairly balanced membership with expertise in motorcycle and motorcyclist safety, highway engineering, and safety analysis." Of the 13 seats open on the MAC, "One shall be a representative of a national motorcyclist foundation." The Motorcycle Riders Foundation looks forward to putting qualified candidates forward to fill not only this designated seat but other seats on the board as well.

Nominations are due by December 15, 2023. If you would like to read more about the MAC, its mission, and its membership click here to read the full announcement from the Federal Register.

The MRF would like to thank all lawmakers in Washington D.C. who fought for the creation and establishment of the MAC. Special thanks to the 13 Members of the House of Representatives who sent this letter to USDOT in May.

The MRF will share more news on the MAC, its membership, future hearings, and findings in the coming months.

As always Ride Safe and Ride Free!

About Motorcycle Riders Foundation

The Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF) provides leadership at the federal level for states' motorcyclists' rights organizations as well as motorcycle clubs and individual riders. The MRF is chiefly concerned with issues at the national and international levels that impact the freedom and safety of American street motorcyclists. The MRF is committed to being a national advocate for the advancement of motorcycling and its associated lifestyle and works in conjunction with its partners to help educate elected officials and policymakers in Washington and beyond.

### TWO RIVERS CHAPTER

We are enjoying our new meeting place. Five members showed up and we had all of our officers present. Good pizza and good company. Bill had an informative report about his trip to the Meeting of The Minds in Penn.



### TEAM OREGON MOTORCYCLE SAFETY PROGRAM

### Staying Dry and Focused

Lots of riders claim they don't ride in the rain. Lots of other riders claim "If you don't ride in the rain... You don't ride."

While neither statement is ever 100% true, what is true is that rainy weather changes motorcycling, mostly for the worse.

Waterproof riding gear helps you stay dry and warm so you are more likely to stay focused, even when visibility is poor and the road is slippery. And if you're not afraid of rain...

Well, you've just boosted the number of days you get to ride!

### WASHINGTON CO. CHAPTER

Today is Monday the 9th of October 2023 and it's raining. As I scribble these few lines about what's happening in and around our Wash. Co. Chapter of ABATE the temperature is about 60 degrees on my back porch. Up until yesterday (Sunday the 8th) the weather had been warm and sunny. Sometimes 80 degrees in the afternoon. What a dramatic change to see the clouds take over a sky that was totally bluebird cloudless in the morning yesterday.

We have our 2nd Monday night Run Committee meeting tonight at the Prime Time Restaurant in Forest Grove where we will discuss the remaining activities that are planned for the rest of the year. Next month, Saturday Nov 18, 2023 the Stan Johnston Memorial Toy Run will start and finish at the Hillsboro Elks Lodge #1862 located at 7553 NE Quatama St., Hillsboro, OR 97123. Bring a toy or cash.

We hope to have approval to parade through Hillsboro without having to stop at lights or intersections. Just like the old days!

If you are not concerned or outright worried about the state of affairs around our planet you should be. Yes, I would like to rant about the exaggerated twisted hoax of climate change - global warming that some very shrewd bureaucrats, politicians, business leaders and misled do-good liberal progressives are attempting to use as a back drop for the purpose of stopping us, The People, from using internal combustion engines, restricting travel, confining us to "Smart Cities" and even to stop us from eating meat (including fish and chicken).

There is a bill intended to be voted on in Oregon, during 2024, that would no longer allow any animals (plus fish) to be killed in Oregon. This is Initiative Petition - 3 (IP-3).

Staying on the topic of internal combustion engines; Most of us want to continue driving gasoline/diesel powered vehicles, especially motorcycles, and we DO NOT want to be forced to make drastic changes that are not necessary. We are supposed to be in charge of the government. Not the government being the boss of us! We've been lolled into a soft cocoon of complacency and have let our guard down.

ABATE and BikePac are tools for us to use in our ongoing quest to ride free. Can we stand up together against this push to deprive us of things that are very important to us?

Ride Hard, Cooper



### **2023 ABATE EVENTS**

(dates and times subject to change)

2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of each month - State Board Meeting at Cidicci's Pizza, Albany, OR Also on ZOOM when available

~\*\*\*\* No Board Meeting November 11 th\*\*\*\*

11/4	Fall Swap Meet	A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon
11/18	Stan Johnston Memorial Toy Run	Washington County Chapter
11/18	Spaghetti Dinner	North Coast Chapter Cancelled
12/2	Shriner's Toy Run	SE Portland Chapter



Stay warm & Dry Indoors



Vendors Setup 8am 10x10 - \$30 10x20 - \$50

Kliever Memorial Armory
10000 NE 33rd Dr. • Portland

Contact: Jimmy Kasner • 541-270-0903 • swapmeet@abateoforegon.net

Sanctioned by A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc. All proceeds for this event will be donated to A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc. to bring awareness and education for the safety and liberty of motorcyle riders. Contributions or gifts to A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc. are not deductible as charitable contributions for federal income tax purposes.





Washington County Chapter Stan Johnston Memorial Toy Run November 18, 2023

Proceeds benefit the Hillsboro Elks Lodge #1862 Christmas Basket Program



Door Prizes!
Gift Cards!
This Handmade Quilt!

AND SO MUCH MORE!

BRING A NEW UNWRAPPED TOY
Cash Donations Accepted

For ticket sales and information visit <a href="http://WaCoABATE.info/ToyRun">http://WaCoABATE.info/ToyRun</a>

Begins and ends @ Hillsboro Elks Lodge #1862 7553 NE Quatama St Hillsboro, OR 97123

**Group ride leaves @ 12 Noon**For more information contact Paul Hering @ 503-313-7129

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### 44<sup>th</sup> Annual Shriner's Toy Run

Saturday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>

Meet at Fred Meyer Corporate HQ 3800 SE 22nd Ave., Portland, OR 97202

(22nd & SE Powell)



### **Bring New Toys!!**

Please bring packaged toys only for all ages
Please no stuffed toys..

### **Bikes Leave at Noon**

To save money and police resources this will be a self-directed ride.

The Hospital will be hosting a reception for us.



ALL RIDERS WELCOME RIDE WHAT YOU GOT





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Are you an A.B.A.T.E. member? List your personal items here for free! Contact: news@abateoforegon.net Ads will run for one issue.

Langlitz Leather pants and a Langlitz Jacket.

The pants are \$38x30 - \$200.

The Jacket is a Columbia Style with no collar size 44 and has a thermal liner = \$300. Call Rotten Roger at 503-285-4329

**Valve grinding machine and a valve seat grinding machine** both for \$600. Black & Decker and in very good shape and it has new stones. The seat grinding machine comes with an electric motor and includes pilots and stones. Call Rotten Roger 503-285-4329

**Metzler Marathon ME888**, 100/90-19" about 1000miles. Best offer. can get it to State Board. 541-961-4941

### 1975 Harley Davidson Shovelhead

Under 11,000 miles on new motor, new mustang seat, 2 oil coolers, gel battery, new chain and sprockets, new wheels and tires, new oil tank, new gas tank, SS carb, has oil thermostat and throttle lock. All graphics are stickers and can be removed. 86Cl Manual transmission. If you have any question please contact Gil at (541) 778-4817. \$7,000 or OBO

History of bike- This old shovelhead was the Harley shop owers personal bike in Klamath Falls, OR. In 1983 he went out of business. He took the bike to Dicks Harley in Medford, OR. Marve Eastman bought it. He made it new again at some point, In 2005 I bought it and made it new again. Sandy Bennet rebuilt it both times. Hewas the bike mechanic for C.H.P.





**Multiple NASCAR memorabilia** from the late 70's, 80's and 90's. Old NEW stock. Come see what's available at the Swap Meet on Nov. 4th @ the Portland Armory. Or you can call me, Deb, at 541-270-6860

**2010 HD Softail Custom -** 100 miles on New Transmission-gears-pulleys-stater, V&H Pro pipes. Lots of extras. New rear tire. 503.970.7788 Well taken care of! offers accepted. \$7500 to A.B.A.T.E. members.





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### 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!

### 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.

BikePac of Oregon is an all-volunteer 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



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.



BikePac is getting back into the swing of fall. We are talking to legislators to find out where they are at with respect to motorcycles. This work will continue through the winter. We are also lining up speakers and logistics for next May's Awareness Rally the first Saturday in May. Mark your calendars now so you don't forget thie great rally for our freedom.

Again now is a great time to sign up or renew your BikePac membership! It only cost \$15 and you can do it online, easy as can be. Even better sign up as a donation, you can take a \$50 credit off your Oregon taxes in the spring, or even better as a couple \$100 tax credit. Just donate the money and then Oregon gives you credit for up to \$50 per person or max of \$100 for two on your 2023 tax bill. Its free money and it helps in legislation effort.

So, who else is looking out for your rights in Salem as a motorcyclist? Well, there are some individuals, but BikePac is there all the time, letting legislators know we are here and want our right to ride, support us.

**Bob Thomas** 

Abate/BikePac Rep

BikePAC meetings can be found go to the BikePAC<u>oforegon.net</u>
Scroll down to the bottom of the home page. Click on the words
Monthly meeting even if it shows next month's date. All dates link to the current Zoom meeting.















**BikePAC** was formed from Abate of Oregon to provide direct lobbying of the legislature in Salem. Most of its funding comes from Abate of Oregon BikePAC members.

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.

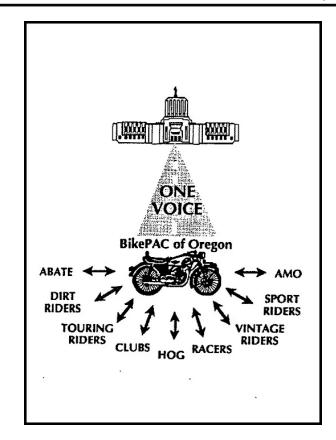
If you are interested in any of these positions, please contact BikePAC via their website at www.bikepacoforegon.com.click> ABOUT > OFFICERS AND CONTACT > fill out the message form



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**BIKEPAC OF OREGON** 

"IF I WERE TO REMAIN SILENT,
I'D BE GUILTY OF
COMPLICITY."
— ALBERT EINSTEIN



### **BikePAC Membership Application**

Individual	\$15	please mail completed form to:
Family/Household	\$30	BikePAC of Oregon
Group/Business	\$50	A601 Carnes Road Ste 8, #167 Roseburg OR 97471-4600

You may publish my name YES NO

### Tax Information

Your contribution will be directed into the *BikePAC* general fund, which includes the education fund, unless you specify the following: Put \$ \_\_\_\_\_ of my contribution into a dedicated fund supporting motorcycle friendly candidates.(Qualifies for Oregon tax credit up to \$50 for individuals or \$100 for couples.)

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### Motorcycle Rider's Foundation (MRF) Membership Form

- q Annual Individual Membership \$35
- q Annual Joint Membership \$60
- q Annual Sustaining Membership \$100
- q Annual Industry Council Membership \$100

Motorcycle Riders Foundation PO Box 250 Highland, IL 62249



q 3-Year Individual Membership \$95

q 3-Year Joint Membership \$140

q Sustaining Membership Club \$100

q Freedom Fighter Donation \$10 \$25 \$\_\_

Phone: 202.546.0983

www.mrf.org

Signature

mrfoffice@mrf.org

It's time you did something more to protect your rights! Join and Support Motorcycle Riders Foundation...

- q New
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Referred by \_\_\_\_

- q Please Check if you are a US Citizen
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- q Check here to receive MRF Reports electronically (email)

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### A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc. Membership Form Name \_\_\_\_\_\_ New? \_\_\_\_ Renew?



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	Individual Plus-1 Family Supporter (minors) Business					
1 yr	\$ 30	\$ 45	\$ 5	\$ 100		
2 yr	\$ 55	\$ 80	\$10			
3 yr	\$ 80	\$ 125	\$15			
5 yr	\$ 125	\$ 200	\$25			
Life	\$ 400					

Total # members \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Join additional chapters \_\_\_\_\_ (\$ 5 each per year)

Donation to Oregon A.B.A.T.E. \$ \_\_\_\_\_\_

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Send your application here → or bring it to any Chapter Meeting or go to www.abateoforegon.net

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# **Monthly Newsletter November 2023**



## 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.

www.abateoforegon.net