

Motorcycle rights, safety, and education



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- Reimbursement for *Team Oregon* rider classes.
- Accidental death insurance.
- Helping to make riding safer for yourself and others.

Oregon **A.B.A.T.E.**



Frequently Asked Questions

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

We are a State Motorcycle Rights Organization (S.M.R.O.) 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 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*.

Mission Statement

A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc. promotes motorcycle awareness, education, safety, and liberty through community involvement and legislative action.

What is BikePAC?

Founded in 1988, *BikePAC* members track legislation, brief officials, and report to A.B.A.T.E. about issues affecting motorcyclists.

Missing Yer Paper ?

Contact our state membership secretary, who maintains the mailing list:

Glenna Glossen

at

membership@abateoforegon.net

A.B.A.T.E. and BikePAC Legislative Victories

1971 - Oregon helmet requirement repealed.

1979 - Rider safety program proposed by A.B.A.T.E.

1981 - *Team Oregon* rider safety legislation passed.

1988 - Voter referendum reinstates helmet requirement.

" *BikePAC* formed for motorcyclists' legislative efforts.

1995 - Motorcycle helmet definition standardized. (HB- 3422)

1997 - Adult helmet freedom of choice bill passed, vetoed by governor.

1997 - Federal court equates federal testing stan-

dards with Oregon helmet definition.

1999 - Motorcycle handlebar height regulation repealed.

2001 - Riders given choice to fuel bikes at service stations. (HB-3885)

2001- 2013

Hostile capitol environment to motorcycle legislative efforts.

2015 - "*Dead Red*" bill passes. (SB-533)

Riders allowed to proceed if light not triggered after one cycle.

2017 - Reckless drivers held accountable for motorcyclist harm. (HB-2598)

2019 - Drivers can be held criminally negligent for motorcyclist injuries. (SB- 810)

2019 Lane sharing bill didn't pass.

1 Lane sharing bill vetoed by governor.

2023 Lane sharing bill died in house transportation committee.

**Legislators didn't give motorcyclists these victories.
We had to work hard together to gain or regain our rights.**

Join us

Become a meaningful part of protecting your rider's rights.

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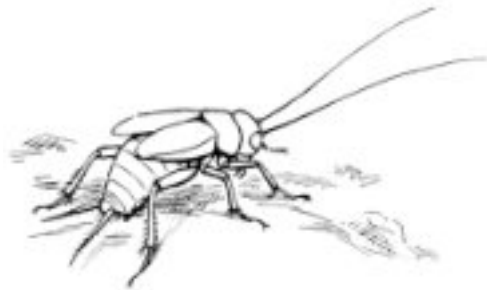
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A.B.A.T.E.chapter reports

Central Oregon

Hello all,

Happy New Year.

Winter is making a good show lately on this side of the mountains. As for myself, I *do not* care for it much.

Hopefully we as a chapter can proceed with operations, to put on the runs that everyone seems to enjoy. We could sure use some participation from members, so let's try to make a meeting everyone. It is always easier when we have a larger group with new ideas and opinions to make everything go smooth and toss in some new ideas to keep it interesting. Plus I have our chapter's *Fossil Campout* tickets that we can raffle off, or name in a hat, or whatever to see

who the lucky winner will be this year.

We need to set run dates if we are having them, and schedule our roadside clean up.

Since it is a legislative year I hope we have some support from *BikePAC* to keep our freedoms of riding within our own lifestyle.

We also have a freedom rally scheduled for August in our own town of Madras. It would be great to see motorcyclists from all over the northwest region here in our backyard. If anyone is up for helping out to make this run go smooth, contact the *A.B.A.T.E.* state coordinator and get on board. This will be Montana, Idaho,



Washington, Oregon, California, *A.B.A.T.E.* chapters along with the *A.M.A.* (*American Motorcycle Association*), and other organizations with like-minded motorcycle interests. I'm sure a good time will be had by all.

Well that is enough winter time rambling from me.

Ride fast,
Ride far,
Ride free,

-- Ed Miller
Central Oregon Chapter
A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon

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<https://www.facebook.com/Central-Oregon-ABATE-263285353740921/?fref=ts>

Central Oregon
MEETING TIME and PLACE

2nd Sunday at 1200 (noon)
Moose Lodge
3199 N. highway 97
Redmond, Oregon

POINT of CONTACT
Ed Miller (541)– ppp– nnnn

CHAPTER ADDRESS:
3212 SW Glacier avenue
Redmond OR 97756

A.B.A.T.E.chapter reports

Douglas County

Greetings from *Douglas County*,

The rain has been fairly steady here. The sunny riding days of 2025 are yet to come. I am so very excited for another day of the freedom to ride. What about you?

We have two events coming up:

- **17 May** – *Spring Poker Run*
- **19 July** – *Mid-Summer Run*

As a fairly new rider, I find myself asking my peers (you) what tips you have learned over the years? Do you have a secret on how best to remove and prevent water spots? Maybe you have mastered how best to get the bugs off your helmet? If you have a minute, feel free to send me those tips!

We are always looking for new members to join us. If you find yourself free the fourth Thursday of every month, why not come on over to *Round Table Pizza* in Roseburg at 6 p.m.

Always have two wheels on pavement.

Ride home safe my friends,

-- Kelly
Ramothrore@hotmail.com



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Sutherlin, OR 97479
ABATEDouglasCounty@gmail.com

Douglas County

MEETING TIME and PLACE

4th Thur. at 1800 (6 p.m.)
(3rd Thur.– Dec only)

Roundtable Pizza
2040 NW Stewart parkway
Roseburg
(541)– 294– 1123

POINT of CONTACT

Charles Darnell
(907)– 360– 1922

A.B.A.T.E.chapter reports

Josephine County

I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday and a safe New Year.

I don't know about you, but I'm tired of rain.

I'm ready for spring, but according to the calendar, it is still a long way off.

It is time to close the books for 2024, do the taxes, and see if we can afford that trip to the *Pacific Northwest Freedom Run* on 1-3 August in Madras, Oregon. Several of us from this chapter are already planning to spend the weekend camping and volunteering for the event. It sounds like a lot of fun.

On a sad note, on Friday, 13 December there was a fatal incident (I won't call it an accident) involving a motorcycle on interstate 5 that messed up

traffic for hours.

Was this person's crime, depression, anger, the thrill of the ride, drinking, or drugs (you name it) worth the **death penalty**?

Racing down a busy freeway at high speeds, evading the police is asking for the death penalty. Yours or an innocent person or family. If you kill someone, but not yourself, you may wish you had died.

Sorry to sound so negative, but have you ever been to a funeral over the holidays?

It is heartbreaking, and the holiday is ruined forever by the memory.

Is it worth your temporary problem to put the people who care about you through this?

Not only are your family and friends suffering, but so are the people who witnessed this reckless



incident, the people who stopped and tried to save your life, and the first responders who picked up the pieces of your recklessness.

Was it worth it? May God bless your family, friends, and those involved, during this terrible time of grief.

Okay, I'm off of my soapbox now and on to *A.B.A.T.E.* business. We have narrowed our chapter events down to three, this year.

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Josephine County

MEETING TIMES and PLACE

3rd Wednesdays at 1800 (6 pm)

Fruitdale Grange
1440 Parkdale drive
Grants Pass

POINT of CONTACT

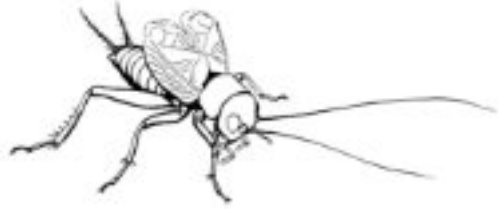
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Lincoln County



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If chapter officers are having difficulties getting reports turned in on time, members need to find out what's wrong and offer to help find a solution.



Lincoln County

MEETINGTIMES and PLACE
 3rd Tuesday at 1830 (6:30 p.m.)
 American Legion Hall, post 116
 424 W. Olive Street
 Newport

POINT of CONTACT
 Shirley (541)– 270– 9804

CHAPTER ADDRESS:
 P.O. Box 372
 South Beach, OR 97366

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River City

We have started planning for our Annual *Teddy Bear Parade and Poker Run*, 26 April.

Committee meetings will start 30 minutes prior to each monthly meeting. If you would like to volunteer for any of the needed positions, please show up.

If you would like to have maned stops and want to volunteer to sit at one, let Dilli know.

If you have an idea for a route bring it to the next meeting.

And finally, Teresa won this month's membership drawing. Congrats !

Next month the pot will be \$15.

May the wind be always at your back,

-- Laura "Dilli"
 secretary
 River City Chapter

The *River City Chapter, A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon*, meets the first Tuesday of every month at 7 p.m.

Next chapter meeting will be Tuesday, 04 February 2025.

Location:
 Portage Grill at
 Columbia River Hotel
 3223 Bret Clodfelter way
 The Dalles



River City

MEETINGTIMES and PLACE
 1st Tuesday at 1900 (7 p.m.)
 Columbia River Hotel/Portage Grill
 3223 Bret Clodfelter way
 The Dalles

POINT of CONTACT
 Rick Prentice (541)– 296– 8083
 Brian Stovall (541)– 340– 9442

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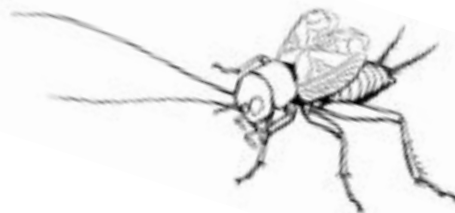
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Facebook:

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**Southeast Portland****MEETINGTIMES and PLACE**

1st & 3rd Sundays at 1230 (12:30 pm)

High Rocks Steaks & Chops
915 E. Arlington -- Gladstone

POINT of CONTACT

Rotten Roger
(503)– 285-4329

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Two Rivers

Hello from *Two Rivers Chapter*,

We have a new year. We are looking forward to getting out into community this year.

We are planning to have bike nights in our area. We are also planning to have other events going on this year

Our goals to educate and promote safety is very important . We are aware when we are out on our bikes, no matter if it's a scooter or out on the dunes.

Also with this being about 50th anniversary, looking forward to this year.

Two Rivers Chapter has its meetings on the fourth Wednesday at *Abby's Pizza* on 1976 Echo Hollow road in Eugene, Oregon at 6 p.m. Come on out. Would love to hear your views and ideas.

-- Curtis McCain
coordinator
Two Rivers Chapter

**Two Rivers****MEETINGTIMES and PLACE**

4th Wednesday at 1800 (6 pm)

Abby's Pizza
1967 Echo Hollow road
Eugene

POINT of CONTACT

Bill Foster
(541)-729-5785

CHAPTER ADDRESS:

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Eugene, OR 97404

A.B.A.T.E.chapter reports

Washington County

"If we are to guard against ignorance and remain free, it is the responsibility of every American to be informed."

-- Thomas Jefferson

Greetings to all,

You will probably be reading this at the end of January 2025 or early in February. What's coming up?

Valentine's Day.

Husbands and boyfriends, I ask you to *not* forget this day. She doesn't and won't. However, if you forget, you will *pay!*

I really have been trying to avoid giving advice to anyone, but this Valentine's Day thing just makes good sense.

Okay, here we go for *WaCo* planned rides and activities coming soon:

- **08 June 2025** (Sunday) –
Roll & Ride
- **19 July 25** (Saturday) –
Scavenger Hunt

- **16 Aug 25** (Saturday) –
End of Summer Run
- **15 Nov 25** (Saturday) –
Toy Run
- **Dec 25** (Saturday) –
Christmas Party

Washington County Chapter members: We invite you to attend our meetings.

Our run committee meeting is the second Monday of each month, 7 p.m. at the *Prime Time Restaurant*, 4450 Pacific avenue in Forest Grove.

The monthly membership meeting is held at the *Elk's Lodge* at 21865 NW Quatama street in Hillsboro. (fourth Monday at 7 p.m.)



Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/WaCoChapter/?fref=ts>

Washington County Chapter officers remain mostly the same for this coming year.

Uh oh, we need a willing person to step forward to fill the secretary position. Thank you officers.

Dropping information about the *One Motorcycle Show* in Portland coming on 02-24 May 2025. This is the same weekend as the *May Motorcyclists Awareness Rally* held in Salem in front of our capitol building and put on by *BikePAC*. (Saturday, 03 May)

A booth at the *One Motorcycle Show* representing *A.B.A.T.E.*, *Bike-PAC*, and the *No Toll*

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Washington County**MEETINGTIMES and PLACE**

2nd Monday at 1900 (7 p.m.)

Prime Time Restaurant

4450 Pacific avenue

4th Monday at 1900 (7 p.m.)

Elk's Lodge

21865 Quatama street

Forest Grove

POINT of CONTACT

(503)-502-6785

CHAPTER ADDRESS:

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Cornelius, OR 97113

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Willamette Valley

Come ride with us!

It's that time of the year to kick off our annual *Chilly Buns Run* on Sunday, 16 February.

Reconnect with friends after the long winter break. It's also prime time for planning your summer events to promote *A.B.A.T.E.* and get more exposure in your communities.

Remember the main reason that you became a member is because someone asked you about *A.B.A.T.E.*

With our benefits of membership such as discounts for *Team Oregon*, vocal legislative action at your capital with *BikePAC*, and being around like-minded people who

love motorcycles.

I would like to give a serious shout out and thank you to my officers for all their support.

At our last meeting we were graced by our state coordinator, Joy.

We hope to see you all at *Fossil Campout* and the *Pacific Northwest Freedom Rally* in Madras.

Get your garage time in now with maintenance, because you do not want to do it when the sun shines once more.

Keep your knees in the breeze,

-- Dar Christiansen
chapter coordinator

**Willamette Valley****MEETINGTIMES and PLACE**

Last Sunday at 1500 (3 p.m.)

Abby's Pizza

3451 N. River road

Keizer

POINT of CONTACT

(503)-588-4149

CHAPTER ADDRESS:

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Salem, OR 97301

A.B.A.T.E. State Board Meeting

11 January 2025

Ciddici's Pizza – 859 Belmont avenue – Albany, Oregon

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Date: 18 January 2025 at 1442:56 PST

A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.
State Board Monthly Meeting
January 11, 2025
Ciddici's Pizza So.
859 Belmont Ave. Albany, OR

The Pledge of Allegiance was followed by a moment of silence for any downed brothers and sisters, our Military & First Responders. ROLE CALL of Chapter Representatives. (Mark on Rep. sheet)
Welcome all. This meeting was called to Order at 1220 pm
9 chapters were represented. 9 of the 9 chapters in attendance were eligible to vote.
Chapters Excused: none

Unexcused: none
Guests &/or first time attendees:

NOTE: If you are giving a report, you will have the floor for 5 minutes. If your report is lengthy you can request additional minutes if needed.
Note: (EB) = Executive Board
(EB) Coordinator: Joy Reyes
coordinator@abateoforegon.net
Joy welcomed everyone who attended today in

person and on the ZOOM platform. She mentioned that you'll have 5 minutes for your reporting.
(EB) Vice Coordinator (N): OPEN
vcn@abateoforegon.net
(EB) Vice Coordinator (S): OPEN
vcs@abateoforegon.net
(EB) Vice Coordinator (E): OPEN
vce@abateoforegon.net
(EB) V. Coordinator At Large: Jack Wingfield
vcal@abateoforegon.net
Jack asked if we are content with BikePAC not pushing any Bills this session? He asked about the newly formed Motorcycle Bill of Rights?
(EB) Recording Secretary: Deb Rheault-Kasner
secretary@abateoforegon.net HAPPY NEW YEAR!
Joey Taylor is interested in taking this position on. I will stay on for as long as it takes to properly assist with any transition and training. Deb nominated Joey. With a show of hands he was elected. Joey Taylor is your new Recording Secretary for 2025. Thanks Joey.
(EB) Membership Secretary: Glenna Grosen
membership@abateoforegon.net
Pick up 2025 chapter officer list.
Requests received for pre-

order Fossil tickets from riders ready to commit early, to a summer weekend. Do not like turning them away.
2024 all-chapters at-a-glance spreadsheet available at meeting, or ask.
Working on answers and expectations for the Hub City/Willamette Valley merge. A data entry time suck, appreciating it's during the down season. I emailed both 2024.12 chapter rosters to both membership secretaries. Hub City letter mentions \$5/Hub member, is this a membership entry, does it need to go into database, it's not dual membership—correct?
Membership secretaries are sitting out here w/o answers, waiting for the phone to ring/vibrate with information/decisions that were made.
*Mailed 50 notices to members due to renew (before!) March 1st.
*Holding 8 late notices due December 2024. Mail is collected on the way to board, gives a 2-week grace period and I will mail after that.
*Will mail 9 notices to members expired 6-mo, July 2024.
Researching possibility of sending these archived members a newspaper rather than the standard letter. TBD After discussion the floor agrees to sending a paper to these

members.
The total number of members listed is 605. 35 of these are registered in multiple chapters. The true number of actual members is 570.
(EB) Treasurer; Aurora Josephson
treasurer@abateoforegon.net
Combined total of accounts is \$28,719.71
(EB) Sanctioning Officer Jimmy Kasner
sanctioning@abateoforegon.net
Please get all your dates and completed sanctioning forms into Jimmy ASAP. Renewal of Insurance is in February 2025. We need 10 current members of the AMA to qualify for their campout sanctioning. Members who previously helped with this are expiring soon. Please renew your membership with the AMA ASAP. Thanks.
Unfinished Business:
1) PNWFR Vote to change date of event Chapter reps. Reps voted YES to change the date from August 1st, 2nd & 3rd TO August 29th, 30th, 31st & September 1st, Labor Day Weekend.
2) Willamette Valley account? State Treasurer Aurora will meet with W.V. chapter

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next week to finalize their account set up with their bank.

3(Merger of Hub City: Rick mentioned that Hub City members should not be charged a transfer fee for joining another chapter. The only charge that should occur is when they renew their membership. Then they are placed under their new chapter, Willamette Valley. The floor agreed.

New Business:

1) Nomination for Recording Secretary
DONE

Auditor: Karen Tolle (pro tem)

auditor@abateoforegon.net

Nothing to report at this time.

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Greetings. Thanks for being here. Get your monthly reports in. He mentioned he has had trouble getting into the BikePAC ZOOM meetings. Also noted was that their tri-folds were confusing. Karen said she'll look at it. He'd asked that the question of the minutes at the top of the ABATE agenda be put back? Deb said she would.

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Michelle FitzHenry
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2025

This is going to be a great year for A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc. Feel free to contact me with your promotion needs.

Email: pr@abateoforegon.net
In the meanwhile, A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc. will be supported and promoted through Social Media and interaction with other State Motorcycle Rights

Organizations and Groups.

Thank you

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James has updated both the ABATE and Fossil sites. He needs the current information regarding who is the contact for each Chapter. State swap meet Coordinator: Deb Rheault

swapmeet@abateoforegon.net

I'm talking with

Benton County

Fairgrounds again. I'd like to see some interest in each chapter having a booth at the swap meet/flea market this year. It would be a way to get rid of some stuff & generate some income for your chapter.

Maybe even gain a new member or two.

Fossil Coordinator:

Shirley Huff
fossil@abateoforegon.net

Shirley is working on getting some kind of Sponsorships for Fossil. Some businesses have closed down in town since we last were there. If an ambulance is needed it will come from the town of Spray not Fossil. Ryan Robison of Robison Ranch will be in touch with Gene. Propane will only be available on Saturday in 5 gallon bottles in Fossil.

Tickets: At this time tickets are at the gate only. There was much

discussion regarding pre-sale tickets. People have been asking. Shirley will have an answer at the next meeting. Bills: The bills that occur during the Fossil run need to be paid before leaving the run site. It was requested that they bring back the Old Stock/ Antique category during the Bike Show. She'll let Bob know.

10 minute break

Education Director:

OPEN

education@abateoforegon.net

Products: Deb Rheault (Pro Tem)

products@abateoforegon.net

I'm checking into prices for 50 year ABATE

patches and pins. Deb did mention that

Christopher, (who made all the Beaver Creek run pins) would make pins for the 50th Anniversary but he needed help with materials. Rick mentioned he has

access to a quantity of Brass. Deb will let

Chris know & find out how much he might need.

Legislative Director:

Diesel Dave

legislative@abateoforegon.net

He reported about the Motorcycle Bill of Rights and the Legislators who might run with it. He said Paula had asked if others had a similar Bill of Rights? The answer was YES. Bicyclists have their own such rights. There was a question regarding the 501(c)(3) status vs 501(c)(4)? Since we are legally registered with 2 names, could we use the 2nd acronym as a 501(c)(3)? 501(c)(4) is for a NOT FOR PROFIT entity.

501(c)(3) is for a NON PROFIT entity. Curtis suggests we do some research into this.

Aurora volunteered to help with it since she currently deals with non profits.

MRF Representative:

Bill Foster

MRF@abateoforegon.net

Bill sent a message of resigning from the MRF representative position.

Sergeant at Arms (S):

Curtis McCain

sgtsouth@abateoforegon.net

Nothing to report at this time.

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What's Going On ?

At the January state board meeting, a question was raised asking why previous state board minutes no longer were no longer being corrected or approved.

There were mumbled responses about saving time, the matter was voted on, and Robert's Rules of Order.

Trouble is, none of those reasons are true.

So why has member approval of the state board minutes been withdrawn ?

A.B.A.T.E. State Board Meeting

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Sergeant at Arms (N):
Toad
sgtnorth@abateoforegon.net
Absent. No report
Sergeant at Arms (E):
OPEN
sgteast@abateoforegon.net
Historian: Deb Rheault
historian@abateoforegon.net Nothing to report at this time
Quartermaster: OPEN
quartermaster@abateoforegon.net
Motions None
In closing: Joy presented 3 appreciation plaques to Rot Path, Mike Friend and Jimmy Kasner. Cooper said the Moto1 show in Portland is the same weekend as the May Motorcycle Rally in Salem. The Rally at the Capitol grounds is only on Saturday. He will talk to the Vendor sponsor about our presence there.
Announcements: The Chilly Buns Roll & Ride is February 16th. It starts at the Bottle Factory in Stayton. Stay up to date on upcoming events on our website:
www.abateoforegon.net
Motion to adjourn made by Crow (Washington Co.) Second Jack (Lincoln Co.)
Deb Rheault Kasner
secretary@abateoforegon.net
1/11/25 @ 2:27pm
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secretary@abateoforegon.net

Motorcyclist Bill of Rights

A motorcyclist bill of rights typically outlines the rights and protections that motorcyclists are entitled to, emphasizing their safety, equality, and freedom on the road.

Here's a concise summary of key points:

1. **Equal Road Access** – Motorcyclists have the right to use public roads without discrimination or restriction.
2. **Safe Infrastructure** – Roads and highways should be designed and maintained with motorcyclists' safety in mind, including proper signage and hazard-free conditions.
3. **Fair Treatment by Enforcement** – Motorcyclists should not be subjected to profiling or unfair targeting based on their mode of transportation.
4. **Freedom of Choice** – Riders should have the freedom to make personal choices about protective gear, provided it complies with local regulations.
5. **Inclusion in Traffic Statutes** – Traffic statutes and regulations should account for motorcycles' unique dynamics and ensure their fair application.
6. **Education and Awareness** – Drivers should be educated about sharing the road with motorcycles to reduce crashes and improve safety.
7. **Insurance Equality** – Motorcyclists have the right to fair treatment in insurance policies, without excessive premiums or discriminatory practices.
8. **Representation in Policy** – Riders should have a voice in transportation policies and legislation that affects their rights and safety.

This summary encapsulates the principles often included in a Motorcyclist Bill of Rights, promoting safety, fairness, and respect for all riders.

Legislative Report

Michael Dembrow did not seek reelection. Senator-elect Kann Pham has replaced him in Oregon senate district 23. Pham is supportive of electric bicycles and seems receptive to the *Motorcyclist's Bill-of-Rights*.

Willy Chotzen was elected to replace Pham in house district 46. He is a civil rights lawyer and seems very supportive.

I had a good *Zoom* meeting yesterday with Jason from senator Chris Gorsek's office and representative Susan McLain. They are co-chairs of the joint transportation committee.

-- Diesel Dave



CRUSTY OL' EDITOR

(again)

Why Did You Join A.B.A.T.E. ?

send us your story

c.o.e. – 252

(Personal views of the editor. Not to be confused with reality or endorsement by A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon.)

Don't know about you, but yer crusty ol' editor didn't join to take on an officer position.

He became a member because he was tired of riding solo for a couple of years after discovering motorcycling at age 42. He was looking to join some kind of group where he could ride and talk with other motorcyclists.

He wanted to belong.

At the *Fox Creek Run* in 1975, Rot Path liked what he heard about A.B.A.T.E. and their activities, so he plunked down his money, joining the *Salem Chapter*.

At one of the chapter meetings, several riders from the Portland area were visiting. After observing to Ken Ray that he still felt like a stranger because he didn't know anyone in the group, Ken advised volunteering for a chapter officer position. He stated that was the best way to get to know members of a group.

When the secretary position unexpectedly opened up, Rot Path stuck his paw up.

For the next few years he would take meeting minutes and write up chapter reports in what he perceived to be biker dialect. (Often e-mailing them to Gordon one minute before midnight on the due date.) He also functioned as chapter representative at state board meetings held in the former Springfield railroad station where folks we trying to set up a shared phone line so remote chapters could participate in board meetings. (Pre-internet/cell phone era.)

And yes, Rot Path *did* get to know the members of his chapter and others, especially after he messed up a couple of run maps. (Since then he has gotten very good at making run maps. Many of his originals are still in use these days, including *Fossil Campout*.)

Rot Path is very glad that he joined *Oregon A.B.A.T.E.* because he often feels more at home with the people there than he did with coworkers or even family members at times.

Now if we could just get him to stop referring to himself in the third person . . .

Chapter Reports

Yeah, they can be a pain to crank out month-after-month.

Why bother ?

One reason is because they are required in order to maintain our *not-for-profit* status so we aren't taxed out of existence at the state and federal level.

But a couple of better reasons are to brag about yer chapter and to attract members.

Chapter reports should help members feel proud of their chapters and what they're doing. The reports can generate enthusiasm and more involvement in chapter activities. And potential members find that gung-ho attitude to be attractive.

Take time to show appreciation for your chapter members. Set aside time for informal get-togethers to just socialize with

Rot Path

crusty ol' editor
(again)



each other.

Look ahead at yer calendar a couple of months for opportunities to celebrate your chapter members.

March has *Mardi Gras* coming up on the 4th.

There is no better excuse for partying.

You can order those beaded necklaces in purple, green, and gold *Mardi Gras* colors along with masks and other supplies now from on-line places like *Oriental Mart* or locally at party supply stores. Some bakeries even make King Cakes for the day.

Even if that first Tuesday in March doesn't work out because people are tired from working, there's no reason you can't have a *Mardi Gras* party during the following weekend. (Or *for* the entire weekend.)

If you end up with left over *Mardi Gras* necklaces, save them to hand out at meetings or during parades and events your chapter participates in.

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F E B R U A R Y Cryptogram

ODDN YDG WDT JPXSGK YDT ELDDGQYPEE DW ENCY,
JSG ODDN WDT GQP QPXTG GQXG CE ODKXO FCGQCY,
WDT JPXSGK LXK WXIP XYI GCHQG ENCY HTDF DOI,
JSG GQP QPXTG GQXG CE ODKXO FCOO YPUPT HTDF BDOI,
--LXTCP IXUCE

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

HOW CRYPTOGRAMS WORK: The idea here is that each letter in the cryptogram represents a letter of the alphabet. ("Y" might equal "L" for instance.) Look for word patterns to help establish which word is what. (Single letters will be "I" or "A"; "the" and "and" are common three-letter words; the most widely used English letter is "E".)

Spies used to send messages using cryptograms because they kept their opponents busy trying to crack the code while the spies went about their skullduggery.

Now days cryptograms is mostly recreational.

(Cryptogram answer is elsewhere . . . like on page 18)

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Don Nash Memorial

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Willamette Valley Chapter

Oregon's Annual Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Rally MAY 3rd, 2025



Location: 900 Court Street, Salem Oregon
Fallen Rider Ceremony @ NOON

All proceeds support, motorcycle rider awareness, safety, education,
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All Are Welcome. Public Event!

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Help Make Magic

PACIFIC NORTHWEST FREEDOM RUN August 2025

needs at least one volunteer
from each Oregon ABATE chapter
to help organize this
incredible multi-state motorcycle event
Be part of something so special
that you may only get one chance
to participate.

Contact Joy Reyes
coord@abateoforegon.net

Josephine County (Continued from page 4)

- 26-27 April – Swap Meet, Pottsville
- 26 July – Run To The Coast, Grants Pass to Brookings
- 04 October – Toy Run, Grants Pass

We want to get started working on these activities early so that we are not rushing at the last minute.

We need volunteers!

Volunteering can be fun and rewarding. The more help we have, the easier the task. With your help, we can have good attendance and successful events. Sign-up sheets

available at meetings and from chapter officers.

What we need the most is help with advertising and sponsorship.

We also need help setting up and running the events.

Run to the Coast and *Toy Run* need raffle prizes.

I'm not easily distracted . . . OMG, do I hear a bike?

-- Janice Jensen
membership secretary,
newsletter

Washington County (continued from page 7)

Campaign would benefit us. This would be a good opportunity to spread our message, get good exposure, and maybe even bring in a couple new members. What do you think?

Winding it down with this:

The attractive young thing was about to go to bed with her blind date for the evening, when she burst into tears.

"I'm afraid you'll get the wrong idea about me," she sobbed. "I'm really not that kind of girl."

"Don't worry," he comforted her. "I believe you."

"You're the first one," she gulped.

"The first one to make love to you?"

"No, the first one to believe me."

-- Jack Elder
El Cajon, California
Easyrider magazine

Ride hard,

-- D.B. Cooper

Tips For Conference Attendees

-- Rot Path

- **Take along a small notebook.**

Jot down important information and items of interest.

Don't think that you'll remember every little detail by the time the next state board meeting rolls around.

Concentrate on collecting information that your group can use to increase their effectiveness.

- **Business or calling cards.**

Your organization may have informational business cards that you can take with you so you can exchange information and network with others. If not, consider designing your own calling card with your name and contact data. (Many copy centers can print such cards for you.)

- **Look at the conference schedule.**

Often it is posted on-line prior to the event beginning.

Read panel names and descriptions, decide which would be most beneficial to your group's interests.

If more than one person from your organization is attending, divide up panel sessions between yourselves to cover more topics.

- **Take photos, if possible.**

Get as close to the subject as possible, even if it means getting out of your chair and moving towards a stage. (You're a photo-journalist now.)

Pictures from across a room showing tiny blobs mean nothing except to the person who took them.

Write down photo information while still fresh in your mind. (Who, what, where.)

- **Write up your report as soon as possible.**

If possible, begin writing a rough draft during the conference using your notes and memories.

If you wait until several days after your return to begin writing, too many memories will have faded.

- **Do your duty each day, then party.**

After the daily panel sessions and your write-ups are completed, it's time to relax.

This is a time when attendees get to talk among themselves, sharing experiences and information. There may be brain cell casualties, but it's worth it.

- **Make your reports.**

Write up the final draft of your report, checking with others who attended about details.

E-mail a copy of your written report to the state newspaper and state secretary.

If you can't attend the next state board meeting, have your chapter representative read your report into the minutes.

- **Be proud of what you've done for your group.**

Take quiet pride in how you've helped your organization with the information that you've brought back.

Know that you've made a positive difference.

crusty ol' editor

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Dragonriders of A.B.A.T.E.

This winter yer crusty ol' editor has been rereading the *Dragonriders of Pern* saga by Ann McCaffrey.

As he was reading it this time, he kept thinking how alike situations in the book were to what we encounter as motorcyclists.

The basic premise of the series is that periodically an organism called *thread* falls from space onto parts of a colonized planet, Pern, devouring all organic material it can find. Fire-breathing dragons developed from native critters are ridden by humans to destroy thread while it's still airborne.

Our thread is totalitarian enactments mindlessly sucking the pleasure out of our lives.

Dragonriders are are motorcyclists scorching harmful legislation before it can take root and destroy our way of life.

One of the books c.o.e. has just finished is *All The Weyrs Of Pern*. (A weyr is where a dragon sleeps.)

After several thousand years of fighting off thread, the colonists are rediscovering technology and

knowledge the original settlers had to abandon when a volcano erupted near their settlement. The descendants are now poised to destroy thread at its source, yet there are those who oppose using the rediscovered technology towards that goal.

How much is that like our present situation ?

We had people with savvy techniques positioned to shape political policy and we enjoyed incredible successes. Key people moved on, so we gradually lost the knowledge we needed. We are now poised to reemploy those practices that have worked so well for us in the past, yet there are those who seem to resist using those proven ways.

We have to wonder why.



American Bikers Journal Report January/February 2025

2024 finally came to an end with toy runs and a positive outlook for 2025.

This year marks the 50th anniversary of *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon*.

To celebrate the occasion, we are presenting the *Pacific Northwest Freedom Run*. It will happen in August at the Jefferson county fairgrounds in Madras, Oregon. Washington state, California, Montana, Idaho, *M.R.F.*, *BikePAC*, and *Team Oregon* will be participating along with *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon*.

For more information, phone (541) – 643 – 1798.

Our *Fossil Memorial Day Weekend Campout* will be bigger

and better than ever in eastern Oregon. For more information, go to:

www.abateoforegon.net

BikePAC is off to a slow start with our lobbyist having to deal with a state capitol building still under reconstruction. There is no lobbyist information center in the building. The new legislators in the state transportation committee must be sorted out to see which ones are motorcycle friendly.

Our lane sharing bill has come too close in the last two sessions to let it go.

In the Portland, Oregon area, we have a grass roots group named the *Concerned Motorcyclist Coalition*.

The people in charge are pushing for a motorcyclists bill-of-rights. Their main concerns are as follows:

1. Building on state senator Prozanski's 2022 SB– 1510 to include motorcyclists gear and apparel. (This to prevent profiling by police.)
2. State recognition of motorcycles as fuel efficient, infrastructure-friendly alternative transportation.
3. Inclusion of motorcycles at all levels of state, county, and city transportation planning.

4. Legalize use of bus/transit lanes and related infrastructure by motorcyclists. (This would include lane sharing.)

5. Encourage promotion by transportation agencies that May is *Motorcyclist Safety and Awareness Month*. (Highway reader boards, public service announcements, etc.)

As always, ride safe!

-- Bill Foster
Oregon *M.R.F.* representative

A Basic History of *A.B.A.T.E.*

A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc. (A Brotherhood Against Totalitarian Enactments) was formed on 22 August 1975 as a 501 (c) (4) *Civic Leagues and Social Welfare Organization*.

The very first chairman (coordinator) was Luke Metcalfe.

Although the structure of the organization has evolved over the years, *A.B.A.T.E.* has always held firm to the principle of freedom of the road and a policy of non-discrimination toward anyone wanting to be a member. Over the years *A.B.A.T.E.* has become a very effective political force as well as a nationally acclaimed educational body.

In 1976 the *River City Chapter* was formed which was the first outside of Portland.

In 1977 *A.B.A.T.E.* began its first concerted effort to change the helmet statute in Oregon. The membership worked to give freedom of choice back to motorcyclists in Oregon. At one point a round-the-clock sit-in and vigil was held at the capitol. This created a lot of attention and forced the helmet bill out of committee where it passed and was signed into effect by governor Robert Straub.

In 1978 the first *Fossil Run* was held. Originally a chapter event, the *Fossil Run* has become one of the largest runs

in the Northwest as well as the main fund-raiser for *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon*.

In 1979 the first attempt to create a motorcycle training program to teach beginners to ride was proposed by *A.B.A.T.E.* in the legislature.

In 1981 the motorcycle rider training program, which later became *Team Oregon*, was made created. This safety and education program was conceived of and brought into being by the efforts of *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.* and other motorcyclist groups in Oregon. It is now administered by the Oregon department of transportation, but it is still one of *A.B.A.T.E.*'s proudest achievements.

In 1988 the state legislature sent a referendum to the voters about mandating helmets, rather than dealing with the issue themselves. This was barely passed by the voters of Oregon in one of the lowest turnout elections in state history. To prevent such things from happening in the future, it was decided that there needs to be a presence in the state capitol during the legislative session. To address this need, *BikePAC* was formed as a separate entity in 1989.

In the early 1990s there were increasing numbers of reports about police using helmets as a tool for harassment. "Illegal" helmet tickets

and even confiscation of helmets showed the need to have the helmet regulation addressed again. Several attempts were made to give adult riders freedom of choice but none were successful.

In 1995 a bill was created at the request of *BikePAC* to define what a helmet is. *A.B.A.T.E.* and *BikePAC* held *Biker's Days* at the capitol to teach motorcyclists how to directly lobby the legislature. This proved extremely effective and the helmet definition bill passes and was signed by governor Kitzhaber. It was hoped that this regulation would eliminate the harassment of motorcyclists by certain enforcement personnel.

Motorcyclists were still being detained or pulled over just to check for "illegal helmets" and reports kept coming in that the harassment did continue. After a large campaign at *Fossil* in 1996 by the Oregon state police to write helmet tickets, *A.B.A.T.E.* and state coordinator Larry Schalk filed a class action lawsuit against the Oregon state police. In 1997 a federal court found that the state police had interpreted the law incorrectly and could not use helmets as a reason to make a stop.

A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc. has achieved much for motorcyclists in

Oregon since 1975. The *Team Oregon* training program which gives motorcyclists, both beginner and experienced, the ability to safely improve their skills.

The *Governor's Motorcycle Safety Advisory Committee (G.M.S.A.C.)*, which was created to advise the governor on issues of motorcycle safety.

The *Motorcycle Awareness Program (M.A.P.)* developed by *A.B.A.T.E.* members to teach young automobile drivers to be aware of motorcycles.

There are many charitable events like toy runs, food deliveries or donations to people in need, which benefit people in our communities who are not directly involved in motorcycling.

Also, there are ongoing efforts to enact legislation favorable to motorcyclists and to rescind legislation unfavorable to the community of motorcyclists.

Most questions about the day-to-day operations of *A.B.A.T.E.* can be answered in the *A.B.A.T.E. Operations Manual* or bylaws. Some of the most common questions involve things like chapter operations, fundraising, political activities, charitable actions, or state and chapter events.

A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon (2022) version
Duffy's Revived Road List

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North Coast area

Carl Earl	(503)-791-3584	North Coast	X	X	c/p	X	X	X	X	X
Doc Holiday	(503)- 791- 8829	North Coast	X	X			X	X	X	
Bruce Westerland	(503)- 468- 8248									
Nick Cames	(503)-409-612	X							X	
Jake Kelly	(503)-991-9200	X	X						X	
Craig Jones	(503)-739-6020	North Coast	X	X				X		
Mick Innias	(503)- 791- 0146	North Coast							X	

Central Coast area

Jack	(541)-272-0789	Toledo	X						X	
Jim & Deb	(541)- 563- 3125	Seal Rock	X	X		X	X	X	X	X
Shirley	(541)-563-6526	Seal Rock	X	X		X	X	X	X	
Geoff	(541)-270-9845		X	X		X	X	X	X	

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Sherm Acord	(541)-888-6672	Coos Bay		X	X	X	X			
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Charlie Hill	(541)-759-2388	Lakeside			X	X	X			
John Ireland	(541)-572-4300	Bridge/ Myrtle Point	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Bob Kudma	(541)-759-4164	Lakeside		X			X	X		
Greg McNair	(541)-396-6477	Coquille	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Brian, Paula St. Louis	(541)-572-6108	Myrtle Point	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Mike Richards	(541)-396-2609		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Ross Pipe Works	(541)-290-1958	Coquille		X	X		X	X		
Bill, Judy Shineflew	(541)-269-0553	Coos Bay	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Lary Winter	(541)-572-0207	Bridge/ Myrtle Point						X		
Susie Worthington	(541)-269-2354	Coos Bay					X			



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Washington County area

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Chuck Jeffcoat	(503)-649-7344		X							X
Gordon Sahnov	(503)- 784- 0737	Vernonia								X
Ted and Jill Tracy	(503)-819-8113	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Roger Yamell	(503)-810-0625			X						X

Portland area

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Ken	(503)-860-2793	Birkenfeld		X				X	X	
James Niece	(503)-775-2203	Portland		X		X	X			
Scott Tuthill	(503)-630-2419	Estacada	X	X		X	X	X	X	
Richard Ives	(503)-960-2407	Milwaukie	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	

Salem area

Michelle Fitzhenry	(503)-588-4149	Salem				X	X			
Rot Path	(503)-ppp-nnnn	Independence				X	X			

Willamette Valley area

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Ted	(541)-338-8380(c)			X	X	X	X	X	X	X
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Nic	(541)-487-5570	Alsea areea		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Gary	(541)-974-7056	Millersberg	X	X	X			X	X	X

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Kidi Berglin	(541)- 272- 7505	Rogue River						X		X
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Roger	(541)-406-1029	GrantsPass	X					X	X	X
Ron Wright	(541)- 660- 5242	Grants Pass	X						X	X

Central Oregon area

Bird Dog	(541)-420-2062		X	X				X		
Ed Miller	(541)-923-5503	Redmond	X	X	X	X	X	X		X

other areas

Chapters

Please update your areas

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For street maintenance and signal problems associated with safe motorcycle operation in your local community, check in your telephone directory for the city, county, or state maintenance section in charge of the street with a safety problem that you have identified. Ensure that you have the names of the streets or roads and give accurate information about the safety problem.

Road and weather information: 1-(888)-275-6368 (O.D.O.T.)

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If you're out riding around our beautiful state and you have trouble on the road, you can call someone on the road list who is close to where you are and ask for help. The X marks in the columns indicate what kind of help is available. This is a wonderful service provided by folks who care about motorcyclists, so please don't abuse their kindness. (Yeah, that means you, telemarketers.) If you would like to participate, phone (503)-838-6893, e-mail to news@abateoforegon.net, or send your information to A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon.

More Members' Classified Advertisements

For sale by owner. 2019 *Indian Scout Sixty*. 61 cubic inch (999 cc) engine. Black paint. Has saddle bags and mini-ape handle-bars. Less than 4,500 miles. Battery has just been upgraded at the dealership to a 245 cold cranking amp model. Comes with owner manual and factory recommended battery tender. Tags are good until

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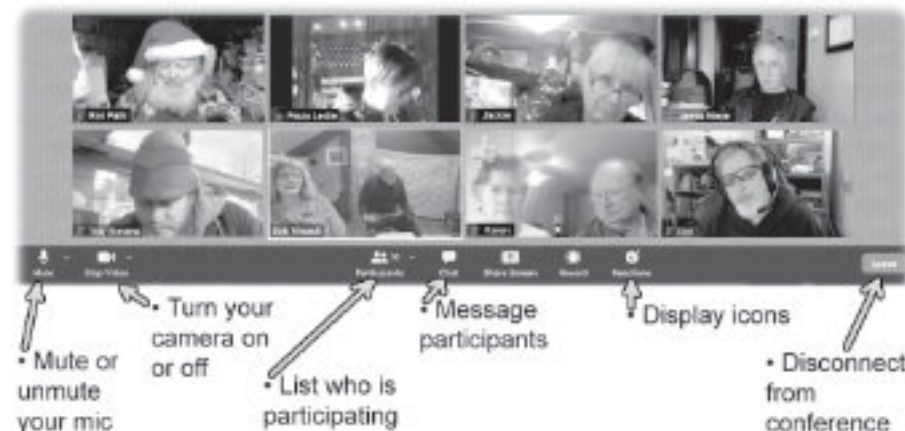
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A.B.A.T.E. Zoom Meetings

- Board of directors – Second Saturday at noon (see web site)



Zoom Controls



Increasingly, one of the video conferencing tools of choice is *Zoom*.

Small icons across the bottom of the user's screen can be clicked on to provide information or to affect how your own video and audio are displayed to others. (Or not.)

Of primary use during conferencing is the microphone icon in the lower left corner.

Your own mic should be muted (diagonal red slash across it) unless you are speaking. Otherwise, it's audio chaos.

-- Rot Path

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Dated this 9th day of May, 1997

By JOHN JELDERKS
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United States Magistrate Judge

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FOR THE DISTRICT OF OREGON

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Plaintiffs,
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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.

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NAME: _____ PHONE: work _____ home _____

ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

MAY WE USE YOUR NAME FOR LEGISLATIVE PURPOSES? **(YES) (NO)**

WHAT HAPPENED WHEN YOU WERE STOPPED?

DATE STOPPED: _____ TIME STOPPED: _____ a m / pm

LOCATION: _____

OFFICER NAME: _____ ID NO: _____ POLICE AGENCY _____

PRIMARY REASON FOR STOP: HELMET / OTHER (specify) _____

CITATION? **(YES) (NO)** IF SO FOR: HELMET / OTHER (specify) _____

CITE # _____ 1st appearance date: _____ TIME: _____ am/pm

COURT LOCATION: city / county: _____

ANY OTHER CHARGES ISSUED AT THE SAME TIME? LIST: _____

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

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

Did officer follow normal traffic laws in making the stop? **(YES) (NO)**

If no explain: _____

Did officer treat you fairly and respectfully? **(YES) (NO)** If no explain: _____

Was your helmet confiscated? YES / NO Explain: _____

Were you given an explanation on legal or illegal helmets? **(YES) (NO)** If YES was the explanation? WRITTEN _____ VERBAL _____ BOTH _____

If verbal, describe: _____

WHAT HAPPENED IN COURT?

Have you gone to court? NO: When is court Date? YES : How did you plead? _____ If you pled guilty what was the fine? \$ _____

If you pled NOT GUILTY, have you gone to trial? **(YES) (NO)** If no when is your court date? _____

YES : What was the verdict ? GUILTY NOT GUILTY

If guilty, what was the sentence? _____

FINE : \$ _____ ASSESSMENT: STATE \$ _____ COUNTY \$ _____ CITY \$ _____

WORK TIME LOSS HRS: _____ LOST WAGES: \$ _____

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

DESCRIBE THE HELMET YOU WERE WEARING

BRAND: _____ MODEL: _____

When you bought the helmet did it have a DOT sticker on the outside? YES NO Label permanently fastened inside? **(YES) (NO)**

Was helmet modified? **(YES) (NO)** If modified describe: _____

You may request copies of all reports and materials, including video and audio tapes, within 72 hours of a traffic stop.

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

Calendar Year 2025

[EB = executive board]

NOTE: (c) = cell phone

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Name _____

Renew ? _____

E-mail _____

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Chapter _____

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Plus-1 name _____

Name _____

Name _____

Name _____

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3 yr	\$ 80	\$ 125	\$15	
5 yr	\$ 125	\$ 200	\$25	
Life	\$ 400			

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Join additional chapters _____
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referred by: _____

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FEBRUARY 2025

Meetings, events, runs, moon phases . . .

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
about February						February Birthstone: Amethyst February Colors: Purple, Light Blue, Yellow. February Birth flower: Violet & Primrose	1  Dark Chocolate Day
2 S.E. Portland 1230 (12:30 pm) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ground Hog Day • Tater Tot Day • Cold War Ends (1992) 	3 Working Naked Day	4 River City 1900 (7 pm)	5  1st quarter moon	6	7  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Periodic Table Day • First Space Walk (1984) 	8 A.B.A.T.E. B.O.D. noon – Ciddici's Albany, Oregon plus Zoom conference	
9 Central Oregon 1200 (noon)	10 Washington County 1900 (7 pm) March Chapter Reports Due (Think Mardi Gras & St Pat Day)	11	12  snow moon Abraham Lincoln birthday	13	14  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Valentine's Day • Oregon created-1859 • coe 75th birthday 	15 Susan B. Anthony birthday	
16 S.E. Portland 1230 (12:30 pm)  Chilly Buns Run Willamette Valley Tim Tam Day 	17 Presidents' day	18 Lincoln County 1830 (6:30 pm) Pluto Day	19 JoCo 1800 (6 pm)	20  4TH QUARTER MOON	21	22 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • George Washington birthday • National Margarita Day 	
23 Willamette Valley 1500 (3 pm)	24 Washington County 1900 (7 pm)	25	26 Two Rivers Noon	27  new moon Douglas Co 1800 (6 pm)	28  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • final MASH episode (1983) • National Tooth Fairy Day 	February births Thomas Edison (11-1847) Clark Gable (01-1901) * Charles Lindbergh (04-1902) Rosa Parks (1913) <small>*Clark Gable worked as a necktie salesman in the Portland Meier & Frank department store.</small>	

STATE BOARD MEETING
Saturday, 08 Feb 2025
 1200 – noon
 Ciddici's Pizza-South
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 Albany
 Zoom conferencing available
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QR code for Oregon A.B.A.T.E.'s web site:



2025 EVENTS and RUN LISTINGS

(boldface indicates state-sanctioned Oregon A.B.A.T.E. events)

Date:	Event / sponsor:	Location:	Contact phone:
18 Feb	Chilli Buns Run / Willamette Valley	Stayton	
26-27 Apr	Swap Meet / Josephine County	Pottsville	
03 May	May Motorcyclists Awareness Rally	state capitol-Salem	
17 May	Spring Poker Run / Douglas County		
23-26 May	Fossil Campout / Oregon A.B.A.T.E.	Bear Hollow campground	(541)-660-8730
08 June	Roll & Ride / Washington County		
19 July	Mid-Summer Run / Douglas County		
19 July	Scavenger Hunt / Washington County		
26 July	Run To The Coast / Josephine County	Grants Pass	
16 Aug	End of Summer Run / Washington County		
29Aug-01Sept	Pacific Northwest Freedom Run	Madras	

PR = Poker Run
 BN = Biker Night
 SM = Swap Meet

CHAPTER MEETINGS – A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.

Chapter:	Day:	Time:	Location:	Phone:
Central Oregon (CentOr)	2 nd Sunday	1200 (noon)	Moose Lodge; 3199 N. highway 97; Redmond	(541)– 788– 4972
Douglas County (DC)	4 th Thursday	1800 (6 p.m.)	Roundtable Pizza; 2040 NW Stewart parkway; Roseburg	(541)– 294– 1123
Indian Creek (IC) [members-at-large]			(Zoom video conference)	
Josephine County (JoCo)	3 rd Wednesday	1800 (6 p.m.)	Fruitdale Grange; 1440 Parkdale Drive; Grants Pass	(541)– 659– 8715 Spanky
Lincoln County (LinCo)	3 rd Tuesday	1830 (6:30 p.m.)	American Legion hall; 424 W. Olive Street; Newport	(541)– ppp– mnnn
River City (RC)	1 st Tuesday	1900 (7 p.m.)	Columbia River Hotel; 3223 Bret Clodfelter Way; The Dalles	(541)– 298-5502
Southeast Portland (SE-PDX)	1 st & 3 rd Sunday	1230 (12:30 p.m.)	High Rocks Steak&Chops; 915 E Arlington; Gladstone	(503)– 285– 4329
Two Rivers (TR)	4 th Wednesday	1800 (6 p.m.)	Abby's Pizza; 1967 Echo Hollow road; Eugene	(541)-729-5785
Washington County (WaCo)	2 nd Monday	1900 (7 p.m.)	Prime Time Restaurant; 4450 Pacific avenue; Forest Grove	(503)– ppp– mnnn
	4 th Monday	1900 (7 p.m.)	Elk's Lodge; 21865 NW Quatama street; Hillsboro	
Willamette Valley (WV-2)	last Sunday	1500 (3 pm)	Abby's Pizza; 3451 N. River road; Keizer(503)-390-2088	