



Newsletter



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SUMMARY OF THE AUGUST 14, 1982 STATE BOARD MEETING IN KLAMATH FALLS

Nine state representatives attended the August 14 meeting and there were over 31 visitors.

Our next state meeting will be at the Keg tavern in Eugene on Saturday, September 11 at 1:00. The state meetings will alternate between Roseburg and Eugene. These meetings will also be set up to coordinate with the run calendar for the next year.

Silver ABATE pins are now available. Cost \$7.50 each. Other jewelry will also be available. Chapters can order packages from Mike Button for sale to their members.

The State Toy Run committee was set up. This Toy Run is statewide and will not replace individual chapter runs. More details as they are finalized.

We are considering a state ABATE flag. The design will be discussed at the next state meeting and chapters are asked to bring their flags for ideas. Please give any ideas to your state reps.

Members who received membership cards but no patch, will receive their patches when we get more in. Also, the date on your membership card is the month your membership expires. These are permanent cards and membership numbers.

State Corresponding Secretary, Carolyn Meerzo. Phone 255-7793

***** WRITING YOUR CONGRESSMAN OR STATE REPRESENTATIVE *****

When writing your congressman or state representative, Be yourself, But stick to the point.

You don't have to type your letter, But try to write neat enough so it can be read. A hand written not, clearly stating your opinion, is very effective, as compared to a form or mass produced looking letter.

The power of personalized correspondence is that you took the time to do it. You may find the following suggestions helpful.

1. Address your letter properly. 2. Be specific, if your for something, say so and why. If your against something, don't hedge, but tell why. 3. Be businesslike (brief but not terse) 4. Be vocal, tell how a peice of legislation affects you. 5. Be polite, congressmen deserve it, why make somebody mad when you are trying to convert them to your way of thinking. 6. Be reasonable & be yourself. 7. Request specific actions, he's elected to do something. 8. Ask foran answer, he knows where you stand now, find out how he feels. 9. Be appreciative, give thanks for favorable action in the past. 10. Include your address, envelopes get trashed.

One more thing. You are an ABATE member, let them know. Your letter should always be signed with your name and number of the R. I. M. A.

ART CALENDAR CONTEST ENTRY DEADLINE - SEPT. 1, 1982

DON'T FORGET THE WINDY CREEK RUN ON SEPTEMBER 18 & 19 - SEE FLIER IN NEWSLETTER FOR INFO

Our meeting for August 15, 1982 had very small attendance.....it must have been the nice weather that day. The main topics of conversation were the following:

The car wash in Sutherlin was not successful because a local church had just had a free car wash the day before. Pat Crawford was not at the meeting to report on what happened so there will probably be more information on the results later. THANKS TO PAT FOR MAKING ALL THE ARRANGMENTS AND PHONE CALLS. Maybe we will be more successful next time.

On to the good news - The Horseshoe Competition held on Saturday, August 14th was fairly successful. There could have been a much bigger turnout but those who showed up really enjoyed themselves. We made \$32.00 from the entry fees for the competition and about \$100.00 from the beer and hamburger sales. Remember, the beer and hamburger sales were done from what we have had in cold storage leftover from Gunter Park...so we were only trying to re-coop some of our loss. We did pretty well considering the number of people who showed up. Before we congratulate the winners, a great big THANK YOU to all of these people who helped put the competition together. Food & Beer: cooking- Terry Allen and selling- Troy Wilder and Ruby Allen, Beer Permit- Richard Cremer; Site preparation: digging of pits - Larry Adams and Barney Sternbeck, sand for pits - Betty and Missy Blair with lots of additional help from Joey and Tinna Smario and Jeff Sternbeck; Fliers and competition brackets: Joy Hoover; Trophies: purchased and DONATED by Richard Cremer; and last but not least THANKS to Joe & Pat Smario for letting us use their land. My sincere apologies if I have left anyone out. Now - here are the winners :

MEN'S SINGLES :	Dick Meyers
WOMEN'S SINGLES :	Patty Hall
MEN'S DOUBLES :	Milo Anderson and Virgil Long
WOMEN'S DOUBLES :	Patty Hall and Joy Hoover

CONGRATULATIONS!!!!

We are still waiting for more information from the Winston-Dillard Melon Festival Parade Committee regarding our riding in the parade. We have been invited to participate but the details are sketchy. Joe Smario is dealing with the parade committee and will have a report at the next meeting. The parade is on September 11th so get your bike cleaned up and mark your calendar. Come to the next meeting if you want details or call Joe. You will probably be required to fill out a form in order to ride in the parade so just don't count on showing up the day of the parade. We would like to have a good showing of our bikes and this is a good opportunity for some good PR with the public.

NEXT MEETINGS: Our next meeting is at Mr. Pizza in Roseburg at 11:00 am on Sept. 5th. (Remember-so we may maintain order at the meetings, beer and food will not be allowed during the meetings.) The meeting regularly scheduled for Sept. 19th will be cancelled due to the Windy Creek Run that same weekend.

See you all at Windy Creek!!

Joy Hoover

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S.E. PORTLAND REPORT

Hey ! Hey ! S.E. Chapter is growing! We had the pleasure of welcoming 9 new members in July and Aug. Sept. 6th meeting has been cancelled because of the holiday. We hope everyone had a safe and happy holiday. We have a new Sgt. of Arms which is Scott Hardy. Congratulations Scott. We will know by next meeting how our Portland Summer Run is shaping up. We are hoping everyone had a good time. We are always open for comments on how to better our next years run. We would like to mention that Pete Wilson is still in the hospital and will be there for a while.

The Action reports have been up dated and are more complete now. Remember your attitude is important thing to keep in mind while filling out your Action Report. Because if you act and talk like an ass the officer will most likely treat you like one. So remember KEEP A GOOD ATTITUDE WHEN DEALING WITH THE OFFICER. And with that S.E. ABATE hopes everyone had a safe and happy summer.

And P. S. Everyone remember to register to VOTE it is your right so VOTE!

S.E. Portland Secretary
Tim McArtor (Gater)

N.E. PORTLAND REPORT

Co-ordinator; Radar Treasurer; Tim Taylor Secretary; Jan Kief Membership Secretary; Don Miller 255-7793 State Rep.; Choke 232-7415 before 1:00 p.m.

N.E. Chapter meeting are held on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of every month. Meetings are held at Gino's Pizza Parlor on N.E. Halsey at 108th. 7:00 P.M.

This month N.E. & S.E. Chapters are combining together to have their annual run. The run will be held past Hokiel campground site on Lolo Pass Road. Take U.S. Highway 26 to Lolo Pass Road and rest of the way will be well posted. The date for the run is Aug. 21 & 22. Gate price for singles is 8.00 dollars and for couples 12.00 dollars.

The party committee seems to have everything under control. The campgrounds this year are just beyond the one we used last year and are even nicer. Please Everyone remember NO FIRESWORKS. All fires must have a bucket for water, shovel, and clear of all brush, etc. and completely surrounded by stones. This is not only the law, but in good judgement for fire prevention.

Trophies will be given out this year for the variety of fun filled games we have planned. Drawings will be held during the bands intermissions. Lots and lots of prizes donated by local merchants will be given out. You MUST be present to win. A special raffle will be held and a set of saddle bags, donated by Portland Motor Sports, will be given out. Only 200 tickets will be sold. For you folks who want to donate a little of your time and cool off at the same time we're going to have a dunk tank. Prizes of Fossil T-Shirts will be given out to people who can stay in for the allotted amount of time. The band, we hear is going to be great and we know everyone going to have a great time.

There is going to be a Swap Meet at Portland Expo-Center September 26. Anyone interested in renting tables can contact Choke, he has numbers and other info.

N.E. will be selling corn on the cob at the Portland Run. We will be selling it "by the ear" for a small price so get your choppers ready. * * * *

A few things were mentioned about our annual toy run. Lets get started NOW. Lets get donations. Last year turned out great and we made a lot of kids happy. Lets work twice as hard this year. Last meeting we made over 370.00 on our bake sale. Thanks again to all of those who left with their sweet toolies satisfied.

Cyclist awarded \$2 million

By MIKE FISCH

A Central Square man who suffered severe brain damage and lost his ability to recall events as a result of a 1979 motorcycle accident has won a \$2 million judgment from the company which made an allegedly defective motorcycle helmet the victim wore.

State Supreme Court Justice Thomas Alois, who heard testimony from a neuro-psychiatrist and neurosurgeon, among others, two days ago awarded \$2 million to Leonard A. Wood, 40, of county Route 4. In addition, the justice awarded \$250,000 to the victim's wife, Carol L. Wood, for loss of consortium.

The defendant, American Sports Co., of Compton, Calif., failed to answer Wood's personal injury complaint and also failed to answer all correspondence from his lawyers, Syracuse attorneys Ralph Manaker and Irwin Birnbaum, according to Manaker.

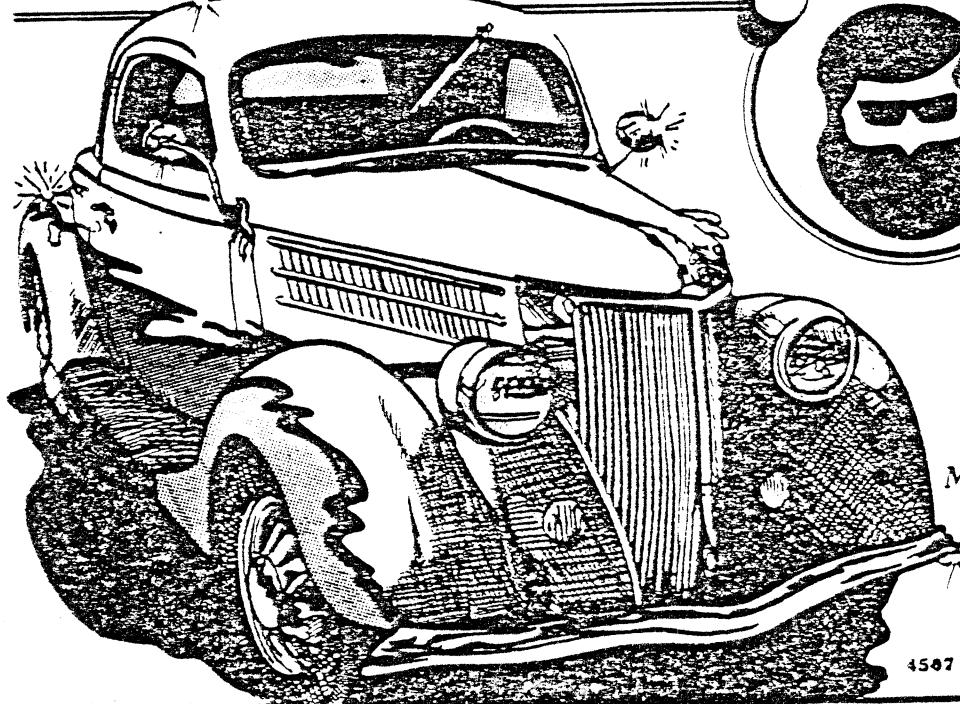
As a result, Alois entered what is called a default judgment against the helmet manufacturer; that judgment was filed at the courthouse yesterday afternoon.

The accident happened July 22, 1979, when Wood, driving alone, was thrown from his motorcycle while driving south on Route 11 in Colosse. Covered by a helmet made by American Sports Co., Wood's head struck the side of a nearby barn.

Wood, who spent eight weeks in the intensive care unit at Upstate Medical Center, went into a coma, recovered from that, lost and regained his ability to speak, and lost his ability to remember. Birnbaum said, citing some of the testimony Alois heard from experts during an inquest into the facts of the case.

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Third Annual End of the Season

Poker Run & Campout

September 25th & 26th



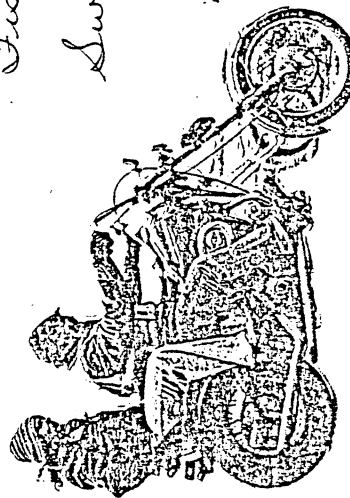
Check in at
Veterans Park
on Saturday
10:00 a.m.
to
2:00 p.m.

Advance Tickets (thru Sept. 10)	
\$6.00	per person
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Gate Price	
\$8.00	per person
\$12.00	per couple

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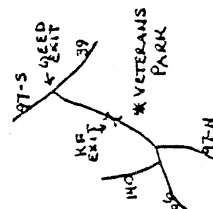


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Chapter reservations
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Sunday Breakfast



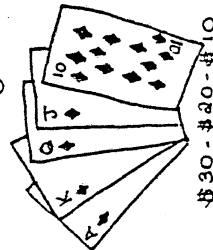
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\$30 - \$20 - \$10

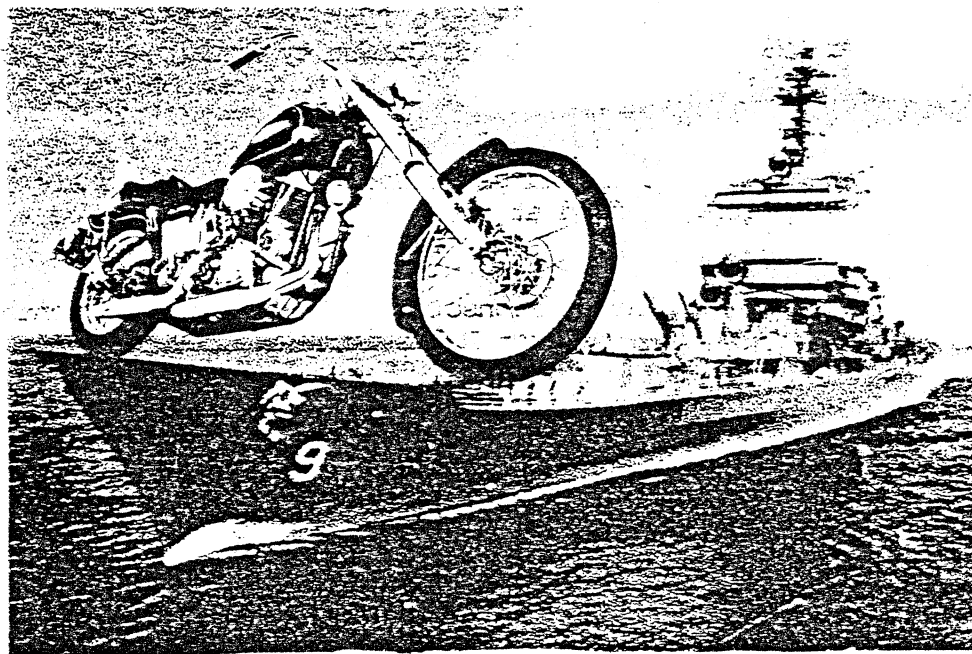
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but want to join the fun!

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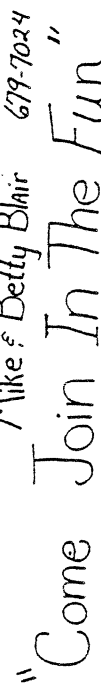
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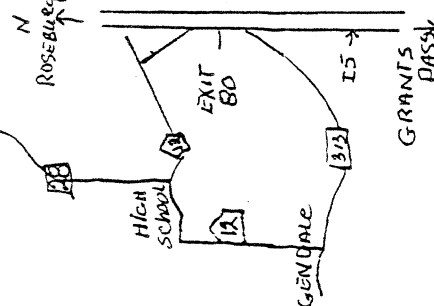
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KLAMATH FALLS CHAPTER REPORT

Klamath Falls A.B.A.T.E.'s "Family Day" at Sprague River Picnic grounds on July 25 was a roaring success. Not only did we have a good meeting, but we had over thirty guests attend. This was a success for us not only as a fund raiser, but we also had several renewals and new memberships. Everyone had an enjoyable time and left stuffed full of barbecue chicken, potato salad, and baked beans.

The Third Annual End of the Season Poker Run, September 25 & 26, is coming right along. As you read this, your State Representatives have flyers and advance tickets available. Advance tickets guarantee a dry area for sleeping. For group reservations, call 882-7070 in the evenings. We have a very beautiful campground for our poker run with commercial kitchen, a large covered dining and dancing area, first aid station, amphitheatre, area for bon fires, complete sanitation facilities, and a large parking area. We will have a beer truck and plenty of games and prizes on the spot. We plan to have live music available, as well as fishing, swimming, and hiking. All of this is located in a picturesque setting of trees right next to a lake. Gas will be available nearby all weekend as well as a store. You will be hard put to find a more complete, beautiful setting for a run. Saturday dinner and Sunday breakfast are included in the price of tickets. Advance tickets sell for \$6.00 solo and \$9.00 a couple. Gate prices are \$8.00 solo and \$12.00 a couple. Remember, advance tickets guarantee a reserved sleeping area. If you're coming as a group, make your reservations early so we can accomodate you.

We hope to see all of at our Poker Run this year.

Joe H. Rodgers
Co-ordinator

COOS COUNTY CHAPTER REPORT

In regards to my last months report there is a change to be made. I stated that the beer and the band would be at Ron's. Well in the mean time we have gone to the Coos County Board of Commissioner's meeting and got exculsive use of Mesika Park. Sorry for the error Ron. So everything will be at the park. Remember the date is August 28 & 29. So far we have just been working on the run, we are having meetings every week for run committee. Thats all for now.

JACKSON COUNTY CHAPTER REPORT

Jackson County meetings will be held on the last Sunday of the month starting August 29th 11:00 A.M. at Joe & Wanda Grooms place 3451 Ave. C, White City. There will be a spaghetti feed following. All you can eat for \$2.50. B.Y.O.B. Proceeds to Treasury.

Vern & Carly are having a Labor Day Weekend reception celebrating their wedding at Verns out of town place. Your ticket is 1/2 case of beer. Bring your sleeping bag and food and spend the weekend. Call Vern at 779-0064 or Mo at 582-4751 for location.

We have invited a candidate for Sheriff to our next meeting.

Members voted to buy easy Rider pro biker commercials, and we will try to get them on our local T.V. stations soon. New member Leon Jonston donated \$16.00 for one and the treasury paid for the other. Thanks Leon.

New Jackson County Members: Dennis Bennett, Jerri Harrell, Leon & Yvonne Johnston, Larry & Kathleen Suther, Roy Willborn, Bill Stanley, Judy Beachler, and welcome back Don Maertz.

Following the Sept. 26th meeting there will be a poker run. Meet at K & D Restaraunt at 9:00 A.M.

Robin

A NOTE FROM RAGS

I feel compelled to write this in response to the request written in the last ABATE newsletter for letters regarding the anti-abortion bill that Sen. Hatfield is trying to put through.

Certainly it is time for more people to stand up for the rights of all, even the unborn. God spoke to Jeremiah, the Prophet, and said, "Before I formed thee in the belly, I knew thee; and before thou came'st forth out of the womb, I sanctified thee." Life begins at conception. Abortion is the shedding of innocent blood. Who will stand up for the rights of the unborn child?

Remember that freedom of choice doesn't begin at the time of abortion; it begins at the time of conception.

Thank You,
Rags

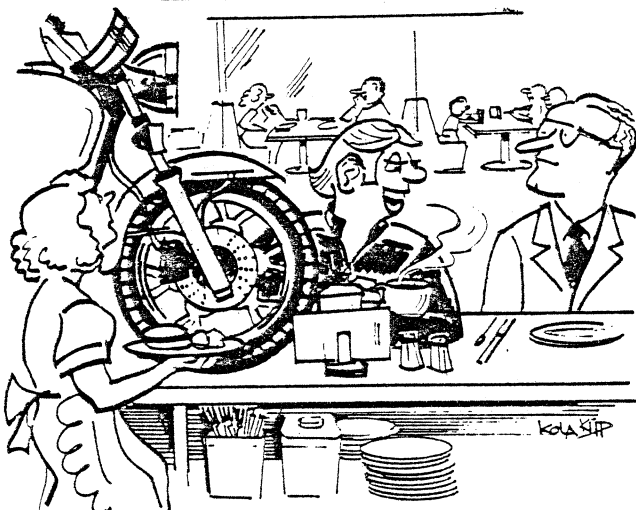
WE RIDE TOGETHER

They call it Brotherhood,
 An alliance of men-
 Those who stick together
 From beginning to end.
 But it seems to me
 That somewhere we've failed,
 For the bonds have been broken
 And the system prevails.
 Oh, there are those that are true-
 Those who live to ride
 Who practice the Brotherhood
 And gain from the pride.
 These are the righteous
 With all that it means-
 All men are brothers
 Who ride these machines.
 Some run as loners,
 Others in packs
 Some ride as clubs
 Flying colors on their backs.
 There are one percenters
 And dirt bikers, too-
 Tell me, my friend,
 Are they different than you?
 Ask this of yourself-
 For what do I ride?
 The answer's the same-
 For all those who've died.
 It's not the bike
 That makes a man
 Or patch that he flies
 Or the ring on his hand.
 It's not the path he chooses
 The direction he takes
 Not the course that he follows
 Or the friends that he makes.
 It's true these things
 May be different in men
 But the talk of Brotherhood
 What of it then?
 Well it's something shared
 Between us, you see
 For we all ride in common-
 We ride to be free.

Credit belongs to the Modified
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 Submitted by Rotten Roger
 N.E. Chapter-Portland ABATE

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This story is about four people: Everybody, Somebody, Anybody, and Nobody.

There was an important job to be done and everybody was asked to do it. Everybody was sure that somebody would do it.

Anybody could have done it, but nobody did it. Somebody got angry about that, because it was everybody's job. Everybody thought that anybody could do it, and nobody realized that everybody wouldn't do it. It ended up that everybody blamed somebody when actually nobody blamed anybody.

Does this sound familiar to anybody?

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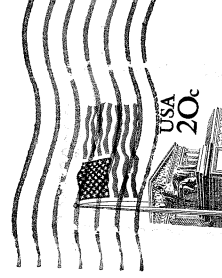
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List full names of additional members: _____

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