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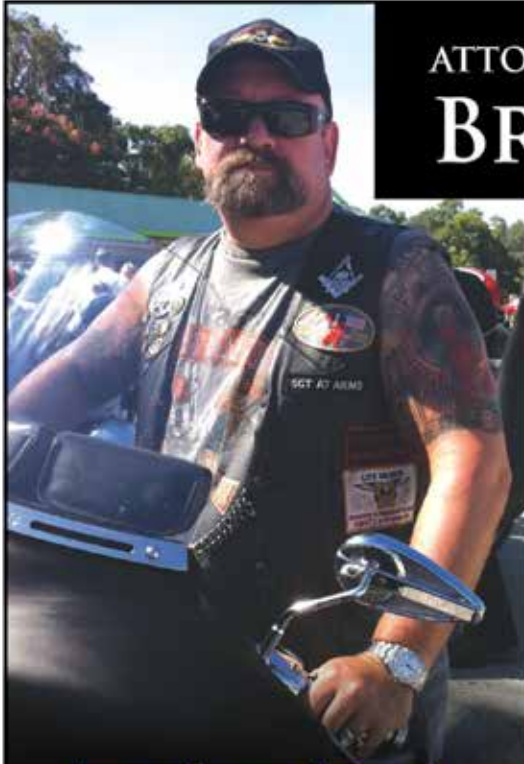
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- ABATE of Florida, Inc. is a non-profit organization of motorcycle enthusiasts from all walks of life.
- We lobby and educate the government and the general public to promote motorcycling in a safe and positive image.
- We endeavor to enlist the cooperation and participation of all organizations and individuals that share a similar interest in preserving our American tradition of FREEDOM.
- We promote motorcycle safety, training, and political awareness.
- We fund our work by holding a series of annual events at different locations within our service area and other motorcycle activities.
- We are your neighbors and friends who work, pay taxes, and get involved with our community.
- We serve and support our country and believe in freedom.
- We use all legal means to protect our rights without infringing on the rights of others.
- ABATE of Florida, Inc. is incorporated under the laws of Florida as a motorcycle rights organization or MRO. We are currently the only political MRO in Florida representing the interest of its members and the motorcycling public at-large.
- WE ARE NOT A CLUB OR A GANG.

ABATE is open to all individuals age 18 and older interested in motorcycle rights, safety or education. It doesn't matter what you ride or even if you ride. Everyone is welcome to join ABATE of Florida, Inc., which ensures YOUR opinion and views on motorcycle laws will be heard.

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Some of ABATE of Florida, Inc.'s Accomplishments

- On July 1, 2000, we had the 30 year old Florida Helmet law repealed; July 1, 2010 was our 10th Anniversary of Freedom of Choice.
- We've become the 4th largest State Motorcycle Rights Organization (MRO) in the country (IN & IL are 1&2, we regularly switch for 3rd & 4th with PA).
- We got the handlebar heights law modified.
- We successfully fought a bill that would forbid our children from riding on our bikes.
- We successfully fought the bill that would confiscate motorcycles for going 30MPH over the speed limit.
- We developed an effective MSAP program that has raised motorist's perceptions and awareness of motorcycles, and have received funding from the State of FL totaling over \$750,000 to promote motorcycle safety and awareness.
- We successfully fought the bill against vertical tags that had over \$1,100 in fines for a first offense.
- Supported and fought for a texting-while-driving ban for the last few years.
- Our 2009-2010 Stiffer Penalties Bill made it through five of the FL House & Senate's committees; this is the farthest it has gone in the number of years we have tried. On the last day of session, a committee member strenuously attempted to attach a revival of the helmet law to our Bill. To avoid a new helmet law in Florida, we had to kill the Bill.
- We publish monthly Press Releases and/or Articles of Interest in many online & print publications, including Florida Full Throttle.
- The President of ABATE of Florida, Inc. has been asked to be on and currently sits as a member of The Motorcyclist Advisory Council (MAC) to the Federal Highway Administration in Washington, D.C. The Secretary of the U.S. Dept. of Transportation may appoint a representative from only two State MROs throughout the entire U.S.A. to be on this council.
- The President of ABATE of Florida, Inc. sits as the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the National Collation of Motorcyclists (NCOM). NCOM has over 1000 member organizations.

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From Your President

I would like to start my article by thanking Alligator Alley Harley-Davidson for letting us set up Safety Booths at Bike Nights and Special Events that they have. We have been able to get quite a few new members. You would be surprised how many people, motorcycle riders, do not know who ABATE is and what we are all about, motorcycle rights, safety, and awareness. It is one of Southeast Chapter's jobs to produce a newsletter, to keep everyone informed in the community, and so they can know what is going on in Tallahassee and any new laws that will affect motorcycles either positively or negatively. We are also the only newsletter out there, for South Florida, so everyone, please support our advertisers that are in the newsletter, since they help keep the newsletter going, through their ads and beyond that, many also donate to our Chapter. Also please support the groups and the clubs in the community, check out the calendar for Open Houses and other events. We all have to stick together right now. We have a really special thing going on our motorcycle community. Everybody is bonding together and supporting each other. I think that's way cool!!!



I would like everyone to remember that ABATE is not a club or a riding group. We are a Motorcycle Rights Organization (MRO). Our members don't have to own or ride a motorcycle. They all share a common goal of promoting motorcycle safety. When you join ABATE, you will find out that everything is voluntary. If you would like to step-up and help us, we would love that. If you have the time, we have our Memorial Day party coming on Sunday, May 30th, at Mickey's Tiki Bar in Pompano. The American Legion Post 142 will have an Honor Guard and a 21- Gun Salute for us at the party. I am always so thankful to Post 142 for letting us have our Chapter meetings there, and by the way, Post 142 has an awesome breakfast.

Please support all your American Legions. God Bless America, the military, and the veterans who have helped keep this Country free. But most of all please think of those who gave all they had, so that we could be free (and to ride motorcycles.)

And to the younger people out there, you have the chance to inherit an organization that stands up and fights for biker rights and safety. Help us make a difference, now, and for the future!

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Peace,
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<i>Felix Felipe</i>	<i>Tami Ellinport</i>
<i>Greg Longhway</i>	<i>Tyler "Red" Selker</i>
<i>Jeffrey "Cheffrey" Sternsheim</i>	<i>Venilda "Nida" Silva</i>
<i>Kiethlyn "Kate" Gilbert</i>	<i>William "Bill" Szatkiewicz</i>

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or by phone: 786-487-4810 - See Page 50 for Membership Application.

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You have 30 days from the last day of your expiration month to renew your membership, or be deleted from the State's List. Also (very important) be sure to notify us of any changes.

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Memberships Due for April 2021

Francis Carpintero

Steven Cohen

Gabriel Nunez

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Gus Rolfe

Jackie Stanly

If you have already renewed

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From Your *ROAD CAPTAIN*

If you have never heard of or been to Lucky Cole's you're missing out. What a great destination to ride to in the middle of the Everglades, that is if you can find it! Lucky Cole's is labeled as a Speakeasy, Campground, Gun range, and a Grocery Store that doesn't sell groceries. Yep, you read that right, and its only open when Lucky wants to open the gate. Lucky's Biker Speakeasy is only sometimes open on the weekends, so just call before you head out. They have a Facebook page which is a good way to follow the activities there. Lucky is a famed photographer so do hesitate to ask him about his calendars for sale. If your there on the right day you might just get kissed and have it signed by one of the models. They have two gas grills so bring your own food and just throw it on the grill. Also, while you're waiting on your food to cook, be sure to walk around and look at the antique yard items for sale or walk over to the gun range which is open by appointment only. Be sure to ask Lucky about Black Bear experience in his kitchen, that's just one crazy story of many he has to share. And as he tells everyone, bring lots of cash!

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Your Road Captain,
Troy



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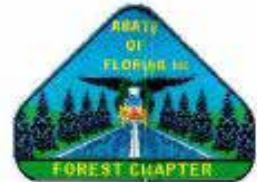


State Meeting

Saturday, April 10, 2021

Board Meeting @ 12:00 PM

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Southeast Chapter Meeting Minutes
Held at Mickey's Tiki Bar
350 SW 12th Ave,
Pompano Beach, Florida 33069
March 21, 2021

President's Report

Johnny Rose reported that Memorial Day party will be at Mickey's on May 30, 2021. Post 142 will provide the Honor Guard. Elections/Nominations for the chapter will start in April. Barry "Teddy Bear" Sadoff has been appointed Officer of Elections. More information in the Vice President's report. April 17, 2021 was the original date for the Memorial Ride Around the Lake for Trash, Boots, Chazman and Wisconsin Les. The date didn't work well for some, discussion ensued, tabled for later. Wavy suggested Sunday April 25, 2021, got set as the tentative date. Buggy went down last weekend, not much info other than he is still in ICU and looks to have a long road to recovery. There is a GoFundMe set up, see SE Chapter's FaceBook page for information.

Vice President's Report:

Wavy reported that the chapters nominations and elections coming up for board positions, it was made clear for those interested in running / seeking positions on the board to seriously think it over. It is a year long commitment and need to be able to commit for that year. Talk with those in the position you are seeking, find out what it entails. Also talk to others about stepping up and running. Nominations will start in April. Also mentioned sponsoring a page in the newsletter. Different donation options. For as little as \$20 for the year, the donor's name shows on the sponsored page.

Secretary's Report:

Minutes were in the newsletter. Motion made to accept the minutes, seconded, motion passed.

Treasurer Report:

Sheila Rose gave report of funds in checking and savings. Motion to accept the report, seconded, motion passed.

Sgt At Arms Report:

Mike "Bubba" Travis reported that the April State Meeting will be on April 10th in Ft. McCoy and that he and Marie would be attending. Johnny and Troy will also be riding up, to attend.

Road Captain Report:

Troy Waugh spoke of a reminder for defensive riding /driving. A lot of 'crazy' drivers out there, especially with Spring Breakers invading. Hermandad MC Annual event was cancelled. Possible to create a personal event. After today's meeting, heading out to meet up with South Florida Riders and head up to Boca Raton with them for lunch at a diner. Palm Beach ABATE Chapter to meet up at the diner as well. This was set up as more of a meet and greet, get to know ya, and possible get some new members for both ABATE chapters.

Safety Director's Report:

Jon "Wavy" Viger will have a Safety Booth at States MC Annual on April 18, 2021. Will be at the Chapter meeting after setting up the booth then head back over after the meeting. The Safety Booth has been doing very well at Alligator Alley Harley Davidson. Talked to many on March 6 & 7, 2021 during the Cus-

tomers Appreciation Days. A lot of information given and twelve new members gained. Another set up on March 19, 2021 for Bike Night. Once more quite busy with another thirteen new members. Wavy stated will be talking to them about a more permanent booth for Bike Night's which are the third Friday of the month.

Johnny and Wavy will be going through the MSAP Safety Course that is normally done in front of other groups, most likely after a meeting for those that wish to stay. A discussion ensued about lights, including modulating lights and flashing brake lights. Was advised to be cautious about aftermarket and the effects they can have. Reminder to use turn signals so others on the road know the rider's intent. Finally, discussed doing a bike check before every ride to stave off potential problems. Especially with rainy season coming.

State Rep Report:

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Products Report:

Little Bit, not there (excused), however it was noted that there were magnetic bumper stickers for a \$2.00 donation. It was also stated starting with April Chapter meeting will have products at meetings. There have been new shirts and patches ordered.

Membership Report:

Sheila Rose spoke that in the last three months we have gained sixty new members. Total membership is now at 600*
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Events Coordinator Report:

Gabe Carrera was absent and excused.

Newsletter Editor: Report

Ada "Abby" Hibbs mentioned that articles are due day of the meeting. Looking for articles and photos, please email them to Ada. Also mentioned email is preferred method of communication regarding articles.

Distribution Report:

Jon "Wavy" requested to have an additional 50 newsletters printed.

Legislative Liaison Report:

Brad Winston was absent and excused

Legal Counsel Report:

Brad Winston was absent and excused

Public Relations: Report:

Dawne "Thunder" Kirk Waters was absent and excused

Billing and Invoicing Report:

Hope Travis reported that Everyone is paid up. Wavy stated if any issues with getting payment let him know. Some prefer to pay face to face.

Social Director Report:

Barry "Bear" Crown brought Cheesecake Cupcake to share with our members

Quartermaster Report:

Bob "Spongebob" Ariz was absent and excused

Photographer / Asst Photographer Report:

Get pictures sent in!!!

Chaplain:

Chrissy Leonhardt was absent and excused

Asst Chaplain Report:

Barry "Bear" Crown said not much to report, will have

Continued from previous page

an updated report next month.

Old Business:

No Old Business

New Business:

Will be ordering magnetic stand and start purchasing plaques of members who have passed away. I will be like the CMA wall, but much smaller and only for ABATE members. Just name, date of birth, and date of death. GBNF.

Thanked Alan for allowing us to have our meeting at Mickey's on such short notice. Alan in turn thanked ABATE for all they do for the motorcycle community and will continue to support us.

Reminder of ride with South Florida Riders.

Good of the Order:

Fly-In Wheels (Broward) MC Annual on March 27th, from 2-7PM at Mickey's Tiki Bar.

USMV MC FLA1 Off-Annual on March 28th from 2PM - ??? at their clubhouse. Flyer in news letter.

States MC Annual on April 18th starting at noon at their clubhouse. We will have a safety booth there.

Pass the Hat for Buggy.

No 50/50 this meeting instead did Pass the Hat for Buggy - collecting donations to help Buggy.

Motion to adjourn, Second, passed.

Hollie "Dreamer" Sadoff



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Vice- President

Good Day

Well to all interested, April is the start of our chapter nominations for the Board and Trustee Positions. If you are interested in one of the positions, please think about this. You can nominate yourself or have someone nominate you. Just remember any position you want, you will need to commit yourself, so be sure you are ready and willing to go the distance. Which is one year.

Also an update on our Safety Money Bill HB2489. It has passed its first committee so it has one more committee scheduled. No date has been set yet. Keep your fingers crossed.

That's all for now,
To everyone, thank you for your support.

Jon "Wavy" Viger
V.P. S.E. Chapter



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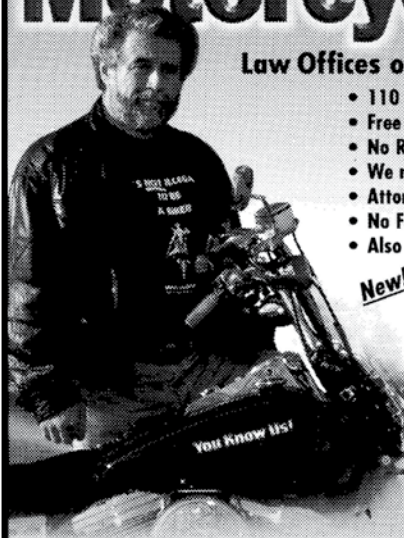
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Good Day,

Well this year has gotten off to a bad start. We have lost a lot of brothers and sisters in the bike community. Also a lot of accidents with serious injuries. So please, when riding be more cautious. Seems like it is getting crazier out on the roads which means you need to be extra careful.

I would like to thank Alligator Alley Harley Davidson for letting us set up a Safety and Membership Booth. This last month (March) we have set up two times and a total of 25 new memberships came from them.

Also there is somewhat good news on Abate of Florida Inc.'s Safety Money Bill HB2489. It has passed the first committee and has only one more to go. At this time, there is no date set for the second committee.

Just a reminder, the rainy season is just around the corner. Make sure you and your bike are prepared.

Thank you for reading this and for all of your support to ABATE.

Jon "Wavy" Viger
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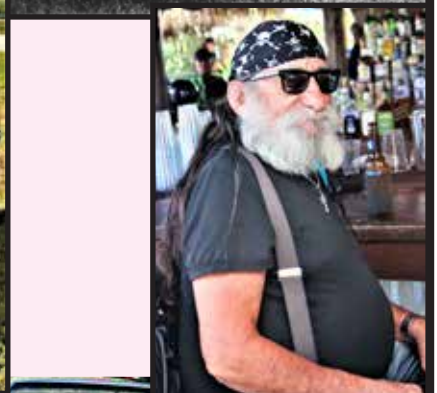
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The more I explore the Old Testament, the more I see total dysfunction amongst those God chose to execute His divine plan. Men and women haven't changed much from then to now. As a good example, Jacob, who was Abraham's grandson, son of Isaac and Rebekah, had everything promised to him by virtue of birthright and blessing. Yet he chooses to do life the hard way instead of yielding to God

God has a plan and His plan will be accomplished no matter how stubborn or unyielding we are. When you hear the phrase, 'You're pulling my leg', you know someone is joking around or trying to play a trick on you. Isaac may have felt God was playing a trick on him, as Jacob's mother Rebekah was barren for the first 20 years of their marriage. When she finally conceived, she questioned God as to why her pregnancy was so turbulent and His answer was quite unsettling. God said she was having twins and they represented two nations at odds with one another. Of the twins, Jacob's brother Esau was born first. Jacob, which means 'Trickster', followed but it is noted he was grabbing his brother's heel or 'pulling his leg' on the way out. For the rest of Jacob's life, he is either the one playing the trick or the one being played. Listen as the drama unfolds.

Esau was a hunter and outdoorsman, having a connection to the land. That seemed to appeal to his father Isaac, contributing to their father-son bond. Jacob, on the other hand, was a Mamma's boy, hanging around her as well as the house. While not a competitive sportsman, Jacob was competitive and shrewd in his own way, vying for as much attention as he could get. One day, Jacob's brother Esau came in from the field starving. Jacob's bowl of Lentil Stew appealed to Esau's growling stomach so Jacob bartered with Esau to trade his Lentil Stew for Esau's birthright. With no thought of how this would

play out, Esau agreed. Again, Jacob fulfills the meaning of his name by playing a trick on his brother and takes advantage of him in his weakness.

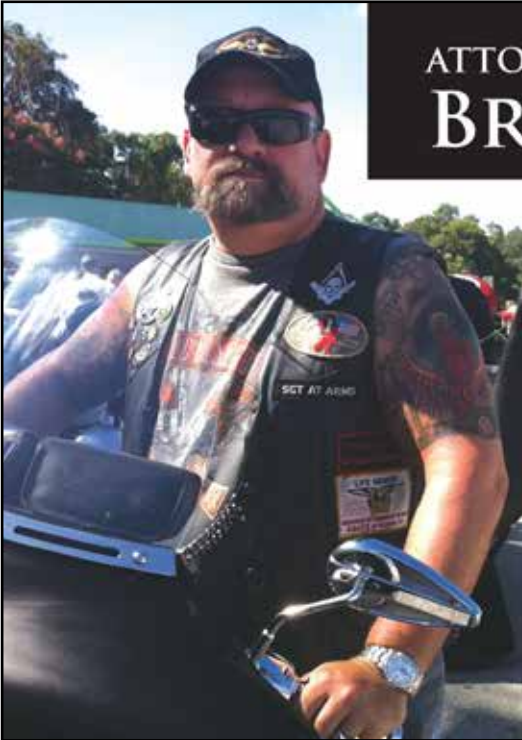
As I mentioned before, dysfunction within the family was just as prevalent then as it is today. Together, Jacob and his mother devise a plan by means of lying and deception. Jacob fools his blind father into believing he is his firstborn Esau, thereby receiving Esau's birthright as well as blessing, leaving very little for Esau to inherit. When Esau figures things out, all he wants to do is murder his brother and who wouldn't! When Jacob's mother Rebekah learns of Esau's plans to kill his brother, she sends Jacob on his way into the wilderness, an environment he was never trained for.

But God uses all of these so-called screw-ups for His purposes. While in the backwoods, Jacob has time to contemplate all the things that brought him there. It would have been easy to play the 'blame game' and dwell on all the reasons why life was not fair, or how Isaac chose Esau over Jacob as the favorite. You may be able to relate to a scenario similar to this. You might have been the one not chosen. You may even be called the black sheep. But even in Jacob's stubbornness, God met him in a dream and they wrestled it out. Yes, God wrestled with Jacob to the point that Jacob walked with a limp from that day forward. God actually spoke to Jacob and reminded him of the promises He made that were yet to be fulfilled. Jacob recognized God for himself, not just the God of his father. What started out as a scary, unknown place, turned into a place of God's presence.

How often do we miss God's plan by looking at our unfavorable circumstances and forgetting God will have His way in our destiny? No matter how stubborn, how deceitful, and how many tricks we play, God will have the final say and He will definitely have the last laugh.

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SATURDAY

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APRIL

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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 CMA EASTER SERVICE	5	6	7	8	9	10 ABATE Of FL Inc State Meeting
11 MYSTIC SEVEN MC - PARTY	12	13	14	15 E-Board Meeting	16	17
18 STATES MC ANNUAL ABATE SE Chapter Meeting	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	

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MAY

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 SOUTHERN MC - ANNUAL	3	4	5	6	7	8 OUTCAST MC - ANNUAL
9 Mothers Day	10	11	12	13 E-Board Meeting	14	15 LEATHERNECKS MC - PARTY
16 ABATE SE Chapter Meeting	17	18	19	20	21	22 NEW ATTITUDES MC - ANNUAL
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
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APRIL

- 3rd-Sat
- 4th-Sun CMA - EASTER SERVICE
- 10th-Sat
- 11th-Sun MYSTIC SEVEN MC - PARTY
- 17th-Sat
- 18th-Sun **STATES MC - ANNUAL**
- 23rd-25th LEESBURG BIKEFEST

MAY

- 1st-Sat
- 2nd-Sun **SOUTHERN MC - ANNUAL**
- 8th-Sat **OUTCAST MC - ANNUAL**
- 9th-Sun Mothers Day
- 15th-Sat LEATHERNECKS MC - PARTY
- 16th-Sun
- 22nd-Sat **NEW ATTITUDES MC - ANNUAL**
- 23th-Sun
- 30th-Sun **S.E. ABATE - MEMORIAL DAY EVENT**
- 31st-Mon Memorial Day

JUNE

- 5th-Sat AOA SOUTH FLORIDA MEMORIAL GBNF
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- 6th-Sun WINGS OF GOLD MC FT. LAUD. - PARTY
- 12th-Sat **MIDNIGHT CLUB REAPERS MC - ANNUAL**
- 13th-Sun
- 19th-Sat
- 20th-Sun Fathers Day
- 26th-Sat **US MILITARY VETS MC S. BROWARD - ANNUAL**
- 27th-Sun



JULY

- 3rd-Sat
- 4th-Sun Independence Day
- 10th-Sat
- 11th-Sun **ALTERNATIVE MC - ANNUAL**
- 17th-Sat
- 18th-Sun **SOLDIERS FOR JESUS MC BROWARD - ANNUAL**
- 24th-Sat WHEELS OF MAN MC - CHILI COOK-OFF

AUGUST

- 1st-Sun
- 6th-15th 81st STURGIS MOTORCYCLE RALLY
- 13th-15th SOUTH FLORIDA TATTOO CONVENTION
- 15th-Sun AOA FT. LAUD. -51st ANNIVERSARY PARTY-
- 21st-Sat
- 22nd-Sun **SCURVY FEW MC - ANNUAL**
- 28th-Sat
- 29th- Sun

SEPTEMBER

- 4th-Sat SOUTHERN MC TEDDY BEAR RUN
- 5th-Sun
- 6th-Mon Labor Day
- 11th-Sat
- 12th-Sun STATES MC - KEY WEST TUNE UP PARTY
- 17th-19th PETERSONS KEY WEST POKER RUN ???????
- 25th-Sat **KINGDOM OF BROTHERS MC - ANNUAL**
- 26th-Sun

OCTOBER

- 2nd-Sat
- 3rd-Sun **MYSTIC SEVEN - ANNUAL**
- 9th-Sat OUTCAST - PARTY
- 10th-Sun **S.E. ABATE - ANNUAL**
- 14th-17th DAYTONA BIKETOBERFEST
- 23rd-Sat WHEELS OF MAN MC - HALLOWEEN PARTY
- 24th-Sun CMA - MEMORIAL
- 30th-Sat **FEARLESS MC - ANNUAL**
- 31st-Sun HALLOWEEN

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NOVEMBER

6th-Sat HEATHENS MC - ANNUAL
11th-Wed Veterans Day
13th-Sat USMMC CH 1 - ANNUAL
14th-Sun Fly-In Wheels Annual
20th-Sat LEATHERNECKS MC - ANNUAL
26th-Thurs Thanksgiving Day

DECEMBER

5th-Sun SFPC TOYS IN THE SUN RUN
11th-Sat ALIGATOR ALLEY TOY RUN BIKE DRAWING???
11th-Sat HERMANDAD MC - ALFREDO MEMORIAL AND TOY RUN
11th-Sat USMMC - WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA
19th-Sat
20th-Sun
25th-Sat Christmas Day

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**Educate, don't legislate – stuff we thought you might like to know*

-by: Sheila, Sandy, Little Bit, & Thunder



We were sitting around, talking about what a blessing it is, to have each other, especially during this past crazy year of pandemic isolation. Even when we couldn't hang out together, we still called each other, and shared a lot of laughs. And then we were talking about how motorcycles is really what brought us all together, as without ABATE, we probably would have never crossed paths and became such great friends (except Sandy and Sheila, who go back before ABATE). So, we wanted to find out more about women and motorcycling, the ones who came before us, who were they?

We found this great article “Five Pioneers of Women’s Motorcycling” on the Historic Vehicle Association website <https://www.historicvehicle.org/five-pioneers-of-womens-motorcycling/> and quoting it here.

“From trailblazing riders to racers, here’s a shortlist of famous females who ditched the sidecar for the saddle and shaped the early history of motorcycling.

Effie and Avis Hotchkiss

In 1915, Effie Hotchkiss was a Wall Street banking clerk who had big dreams to see America on her way to San Francisco and the Panama Panama-Pacific International Exposition. Using money left to her after her father’s death, Effie bought a Harley and, according to the archives of Harley-Davidson, rigged the V-Twin with a sidecar for her mother, Avis, who insisted on going along.

Leaving Brooklyn in May, the gritty pair took two

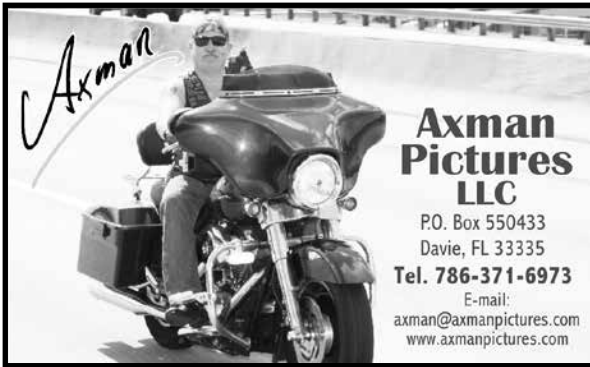
months to complete the journey of over 5,000 miles. Along the way, they persevered through sweltering heat, blown tires, uncertain weather and an epically unpredictable terrain laced with narrow, muddy and dangerous roads. After dipping their toes in the Pacific (and—fun fact—nearly running over a man who would later become Effie’s husband), the two simply turned around and headed back to New York. On the return trip, they logged another 4,000 miles on the odometer before arriving home in October.

Augusta and Adeline Van Buren

In 1916, a year after the U.S. House of Representatives rejected a proposal to allow women the right to vote, America was poised to enter World War I. Augusta and Adeline Van Buren, two “society sisters” who traced their lineage back to the eighth president of the United States, wanted to show the military that women could ride motorcycles just as well as men.

The 20-something pair had designs on becoming dispatch riders in the coming war (while also bringing attention to women’s suffrage) and, to prove they were capable, set off from Brooklyn bound for Los Angeles on July 4, 1916. Wearing military-style riding uniforms and riding two Indian Power Plus motorcycles, the Van Buren sisters overcame poor roads, bad weather and towering obstacles like the 14,000-foot Pike’s Peak in Colorado, which had never been done before by any woman in a motor vehicle. Despite the fame they enjoyed after completing their 3,300-mile quest, the sis-

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OLDHIPPY'S CORNER

(Throwback April 2009)

Bike week is over, weather was good and from some of the stories that were told to me, the police department was able to bring in additional cash to their municipalities. I have been warning you that all cities and municipalities are in need, which translate to finding means to "make ends meet", and traffic tickets have proven to be a reliable way to accomplish this.

Face it! Where else can you have that many bikes in one place at one time and be able to just stand there and wait for a bike to come by to write a ticket. Sure, most if not all the people ticketed "knew" they had the possibility to be cited, but to what extent???

There was a rider that rode all the way from New Mexico to Daytona with \$700 for the trip and was given a nice Florida welcome, BAM!!! He got a ticket for a vertical license plate, normally this would have been a \$60 fine, but NOOOOOO... He got the big one!!!! Like to the tune of \$1,150! Unfortunately, even though the Police Chief stopped his officers from writing anymore of these (that day) and admitted it was excessive, this rider, along with a slew of others that were also given the "winning ticket" will have to wait to take it before a judge or hire a lawyer to represent them. (Judges and lawyers are hurting too you know.)

Weren't the usual ones enough??? Loud pipes, handlebar height, parking, revving of engines and my favorite one, Boob Flashing, didn't do it for them??? I guess Flagler Beach is trying to plan for a slow summer and figures this will help. I did hear of a person getting a break. He trailed his bike up and thought he would avoid the hassle in town, ride his custom chopper elsewhere. Well, you guessed it... as he was taking a leisure ride and enjoying the day, the next thing he knew, an Officer of the Law "jumps out of the bushes" about 100 feet in front of him and waves him over. Can we all surmise how many things he found by this "chance encounter"?? For starters, the owner didn't like the looks of mirrors on his creation, his seat was either too low or his ape hangers where too high, that he was kind of missing any form of a muffler and of course the vertical plate. Lucky for him the

officer let him off with just a ticket for the lack of mirrors after he informed him that he could do worse, like having him towed like so many others did that week.

Remember vertical tags are not legal and you are taking a chance of being cited for either \$60 or the \$1,000. The latter, you have to go before a Judge if you want to save yourself about \$940 bucks till this BS part of this law gets changed. There are other cases where I've heard vertical plate violations are being used as "get even" tactic. At Everglades Holiday Park, a few weeks ago, someone got cited for that "tag" thing and when he pleaded his case to the officer, the officer didn't like his attitude and raised it from \$60 to \$500 fine. Frank Zappa was right, "America is a nation of laws, poorly written and randomly enforced" and this law is proof. Until we can get this change, beware you "big time" law breakers with your vertical tags, you are eligible to receive the "winning ticket".

In this Legislative session, they have reintroduced a lot of cell phone restriction bills that are aimed at eliminating or reducing the usage in vehicles. They are: SB 112 and HB 677, which deal with usage in a school zone, "Heather's Bill", SB 172 and HB 345, which looks at prohibiting the use of a cell phone unless it is completely hands free, and SB 212, HB 261 and HB 377 also touch on the subject, adding types of earpieces that can be used.

There are also a lot of bills introduced dealing with under the age of 21 drivers, from driver training to age and amount of under 21 passengers the under 21 driver can have in the vehicle. They are HB 7, HB 139, SB 402, and SB 608. And there is a transportation bill, something that deals with motorcycles, SB 986. It restricts persons, less than 16 years of age, from riding a motorcycle, which means on and off-road usage.

An interesting bill introduced is HB 439, creating the "Mark Wandall Traffic Safety Act". It is requiring all counties and municipalities to enact an ordinance, in

order to use a traffic infraction detector, to identify a motor vehicle that fails to stop at a steady red light. This will hopefully help in those intersections where the cagers have a tendency to stretch the yellow lights, plus, of course bring in \$\$\$\$\$ to the Government.

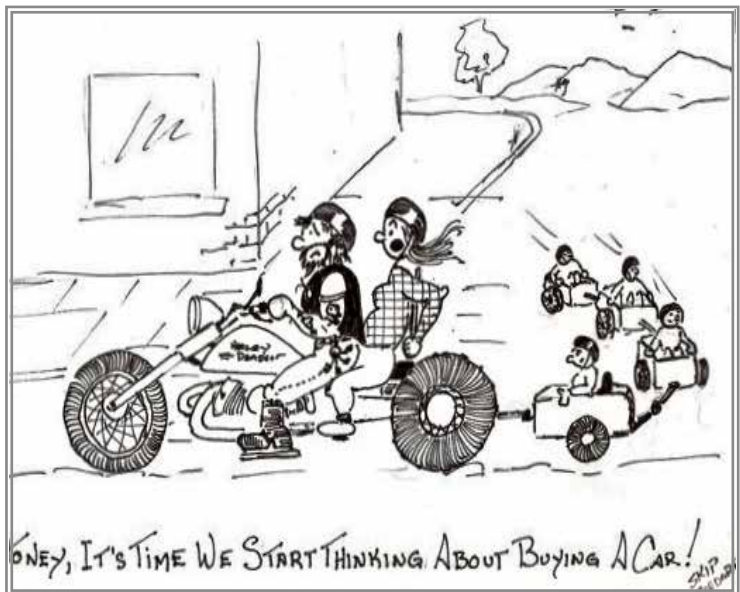
The two bills I like are, SB 968 and HB 1161. Both of them deal with criminal penalties for moving violations that cause serious injuries to a driver or a passenger. SB 968 spells out "Motorcycle" and HB 1161 deals with all vehicles, and has already, as of March 11th, received a favorable recommendation, a 17-2 vote in the House Roads, Bridges & Ports Policy Committee.

I know we have all heard about the City of Myrtle Beach passing an ordinance last year (2008-64), making it mandatory for helmet and eye wear to be worn while riding a motorcycle on public or private property. This is important fight that the riding community needs to pay close attention to. If this holds up, then look out!!!! This will open the door for any city, county, or municipality to make up their "own" restrictions. South Carolina already has a Helmet law, but it is for under 21-years of age riders (section 56-5-3660 of SC Code of Laws) and did you know those helmets need to be "reflectorized" on both sides? Hell, riders must look like moving lighthouses riding down the road. WE HAVE TO FIND A WAY TO NIP THIS ACT OF TOTALITARIANISM IN THE BUD....NOW before we LOSE more OF "OUR FREEDOM AND RIGHTS."

We need a good showing of our concerns for our rights and freedom by trying to make an effort to join all our Brothers and Sisters on the ride to Tallahassee that is coming up. This coupled with opening up communication lines with you all your elected officials, we might, who knows, keep us from losing our rights and having us to look like a moving traffic barricade with all the reflective clothing and helmets we might have to wear.

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Johnny's Rant

Well, I guess I'm going to rant about the younger drivers. I don't know about you, but when I was young, I was dumb and fearless...nothing scared me. I would try anything once, twice if I liked it. So, I remember watching TV and seeing this guy Evel Knievel jump over cars and the next day, I built a nice little ramp and got all the little neighborhood kids to lay down behind it, so I could jump over them. I put my little sister at the end, in case I came up short, you know. I didn't want to squish the neighborhood kids, but okay to squish my sister. I would jump them, and they loved it and so did I. You won't believe this, but my sister still tells that story to this day. So, I'm thinking, kids are kids, no matter what decade they're in.

And now to the rant part....When I first joined ABATE, we used to go to the schools and teach a safety program in Driver's Ed. We got to drive our bikes right into the school hallways. Of course, we rode slow and safe in the school hallways. Then they would bring the kids out to us. We would do a presentation and they would ask us a lot of questions about motorcycles and then we would show them a video that would help them learn about how speed is perceived. There were different sizes of trucks and cars and other vehicles, including motorcycles, and we asked them to judge how fast they were going. The funny thing was, they were all going the same speed, but everybody thought that the smaller vehicles were going faster than the bigger ones. They were all traveling the exact same speed. Then we told them to make sure they look twice before they pull out because motorcycles and bicycles and pedestrians are harder to see than trucks and cars. We also told them that they need to know what's around them when they are driving down the road, and believe it or not, it did make a difference. Accidents with motorcycles were down in those years, when we were able to go out to the schools. So, when the schools had to make budget cuts, they cut out Driver's Education and that was a real shame. All those kids growing up to drive cars, and no one teaching them about looking out for motorcycles. I don't know why they wouldn't want to teach the kids something they could really use in life. Just sayin', you know...BRING BACK DRIVER'S ED!!!!

Anyway, we want to start doing that again, as soon as this virus goes away. If any of you would like us to come to your company or your school or your Homeowners Association, any group, to teach a safety class, please call me (954) 868-4390, or our VP, Wavy (954) 261-9242, and we will set you up. It doesn't cost any money, it's free, but the lesson learned will be priceless, and will save lives.

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80TH DAYTONA BIKE WEEK HISTORICALLY SUCCESSFUL

As businesses are still recovering from a devastating year of COVID shutdowns and lower capacity restrictions, Daytona Beach is coming off one of their best Bike Weeks ever. Bob Davis, president of the Lodging and Hospitality Association in Volusia County, said it was one of the best Bike Weeks they've ever had for revenue, rating it "among the top 5" in event history.

Billing itself as "The World's Largest Motorcycle Event," Daytona Bike Week celebrated 80 years during the first full week in March, the 5th through the 14th, 2021, with crowds coming in a steady stream throughout the ten days of festivities.

Last year, the nationwide lockdown to battle the pandemic began during the last weekend of Daytona Bike Week, and a year later the country is finally beginning to open for business. There are still health concerns, and signs encouraging social distancing and mask wearing were posted everywhere, but hopefully the successful turnout will signal better times to come as more and more events find their way back onto the ride calendar.

CAPITAL HILL BRIEFING ON OUTDOOR RECREATION

Outdoor Recreation Roundtable (ORR), the country's leading outdoor recreation coalition, is set to outline the \$788 billion industry's objectives and priorities for 2021 and beyond to Congress on March 24, includ-

ing briefings presented by representatives of the motorcycle, RV, boating, outfitter, ski and other outdoor sectors.

Much of the focus will be on the industry's 21st century recreation agenda, capitalizing on soaring participation rates for job creation and economic recovery and particularly how recreation can create jobs in rural America. The group will also discuss implementing the goals of the Great American Outdoors Act and the process of choosing and implementing LWCF (Land and Water Conservation Fund) projects.

SAVE MOTORSPORTS!

SEMA (Specialty Equipment Market Association) is challenging the EPA's motorsports regulations in court, arguing against the federal agency's contention that the Clean Air Act (CAA) does not allow any street vehicle - cars, trucks or motorcycles - to be converted into a racing vehicle used solely for competition.

A recent lawsuit between the Environmental Protection Agency and an aftermarket manufacturer, Gear Box Z, is the agency's latest action against racing. In the lawsuit, the EPA again maintains that once a vehicle has been certified as a street vehicle, it cannot be converted for racing even if that vehicle is trailered to the track and is never driven on public roads.

The SEMA Action Network (SAN) says the EPA's position left them with no choice but to strike back, filing an amicus brief in court arguing that the Clean Air Act does not apply to certified vehicles used exclusively on the track.

"As racers and fans know well, members of Congress introduced legislation to confirm what had already been understood for the previous 45 years: that the CAA did not apply to vehicles modified for racing use only," according to a SAN statement. Hundreds of thousands of enthusiasts have since contacted Congress urging passage of the "Recognizing the Protection of Motorsports Act" (RPM Act).

"Enactment of this important critical bill into law

would remove any doubt that it is legal to modify a motor vehicle for exclusive use on the track,” writes SAN, adding that “It also would confirm that it is legal to produce, market and install racing equipment.” The SAN continues to work tirelessly to pass this important legislation to counter EPA overreach, and save not only the sport of racing, but performance modifications.

OIL & GAS INDUSTRY FEARS BIDEN'S CLIMATE POLICIES

There's deep paranoia in the oil and gas industry regarding the Biden Administration's ambitious plans to address climate change. President Biden is aiming for a net-zero electricity sector by 2035, which would require massive reductions in the burning of oil, gas and coal at power plants. Net-zero means there could still be some fossil-fuel use, as long as an equivalent amount of carbon is pulled from the air using technologies that aren't yet fully developed. Biden aims for a net-zero economy by 2050, which would require the near-elimination of carbon as a transportation fuel.

There are obvious, and worrisome, implications for businesses and workers in the traditional oil and gas industry, which supports roughly 10 million jobs directly and indirectly. Biden already killed the Keystone XL oil pipeline and halted new drilling permits on federal land, pending a review. He backs the mass adoption of electric vehicles that won't burn gasoline or diesel. A huge Democratic infrastructure bill coming later this year is likely to include massive investments in renewable energy that would displace oil, gas and coal, while also repealing tax breaks for oil and gas drillers.

Clear battle lines are being drawn between the Administration's climate team and the carbon industries, and more fervent opposition will heat up as Biden fleshes out his ambitious transformation plan and winners and losers become more apparent.

CALIFORNIA WILL BE BANNING SALES OF NEW NON-ELECTRIC VEHICLES

Huge news, as the sale of new off-road combustion engine vehicles (including dirt bikes) will be banned in California by 2035 in an attempt to bring the state

down to carbon-neutral, and reduce pollution in the most-populated state in the country. Golden State off-roaders will be looking at a future of electric power and no combustion engines, after Governor Gavin Newsom issued an executive order to ban the sale of any non-zero-emission passenger vehicle (cars and trucks) by 2035.

On the face of it, this will be affecting 4-wheels only, but it was ruled off-road vehicles of all types will be included in the forthcoming ban - be it off-road motorcycles, ATVs, quads, or side-by-sides. Bummer, dude.

MONTANA LEGALIZES LANE-SPLITTING

Montana Governor Greg Gianforte signed Senate Bill 9 into law on March 3, which will allow motorcycles to “filter” through stopped and slow-moving vehicles beginning October 1, 2021.

Lane splitting, lane sharing or filtering... whatever it's called, Montana now joins California and Utah in legally recognizing the practice that allows motorcyclists to maneuver through traffic.

Sponsored by state Senator Russ Tempel (R-SD14) and state Representative Barry Usher (R-HD40), S.B. 9 defines “lane filtering” as “the act of overtaking and passing another vehicle that is stopped or traveling at a speed not in excess of 10 miles an hour in the same direction of travel and in the same lane.”

The entire text of the bill is one page long, and reads; “An operator of a two-wheeled motorcycle may engage in lane filtering when:

- A) the operator of a two-wheeled motorcycle is on a road with lanes wide enough to pass safely;
- B) the overtaking motorcycle is not operated at a speed in excess of 20 miles an hour when overtaking the stopped or slow-moving vehicle; and
- C) conditions permit continued reasonable and prudent operation of the motorcycle while lane filtering.”

While controversial and contentious, even amongst



motorcyclists, a UC Berkeley study confirmed that lane-splitting is less dangerous for motorcyclists than being stopped in traffic.

FRANCE BANS LANE SPLITTING; MOTORCYCLISTS PROTEST IN THE THOUSANDS

Lane-splitting was never “legal” in France, but some urban roadways in Paris, Bordeaux, Marseille & Lyon trialed the practice over a five-year test period from 2016-2021; and following some “disappointing results” the country has now banned it, much to the chagrin of French riders who are protesting the move.

On February 20, following the end of the filtering experiment, the French motorcyclists’ organization FFM (Fédération Française des Motards en Colère) put 20,000 angry motorcyclists in the streets to demand the legalization of filtering between lanes of slow moving or stopped traffic, and the government is ready to listen to the bikers.

On 25 February, at the initiative of the Road Safety Delegation (DSR), the FFM (a member of FEMA - Federation of European Motorcyclists’ Associations) met the Interministerial Road Safety Delegate and was assured that a ban on this practice in the future was absolutely not envisaged; but for the state to validate this practice and for the Highway Code to be modified, more experiments are necessary. Since the last experiment did not give convincing results, it is necessary to conduct a second new experiment.

While waiting for the signing of the decree which will give it the starting signal, filtering remains ‘prohibited’ and as of February 1st riders could be fined and potentially even lose their license for weaving through traffic in France now.

SPAIN PONDERES MANDATORY AIRBAGS FOR MOTORCYCLISTS

The Spanish Directorate-General for Traffic, within measures to reduce the accident and severity of its consequences on the motorcyclist collective, is considering the mandatory use of airbag vests or jackets.

65% of motorcyclists surveyed do not agree with the

mandatory use of airbags, and many riders consider that before imposing more obligations, the Spanish government should fulfill its obligation to have the infrastructure in optimal security condition. Riders also want the government to fulfill old promises such as legalizing intercoms for motorcyclists.

“The problem we have is that, when a European country legislates something in relation to motorcyclists, others follow,” said Juan Manuel Reyes, president of Asociación Mutua Motera, “This is what happened with gloves in France. When they became mandatory in our neighboring country, the Spanish government wanted to imitate the measure immediately. That is why I believe that any measure is approved in a European country, must be monitored by all European motorcyclists, because sooner or later, it is possible that it will be extended to others.”

AMM has scheduled a meeting with the Spanish Directorate-General for Traffic to further discuss the matter. Also on the agenda: the Directorate-General’s wish to make wearing motorcycle gloves mandatory.

FACE MASKS REQUIRED WHILE RIDING MOTORCYCLES IN THE PHILIPPINES

These days, face masks are an all too common sight, and although studies have shown that wearing a mask can reduce the risk of Coronavirus contamination, the Philippine government has taken it a step further to mandate that face masks be worn at all times when outside of your residence - including while riding your motorcycle.

According to the Land Transportation Office (LTO) Memorandum Circular 2020-2185, the act of driving, or riding a motorcycle, while failing to comply with the minimum health and safety protocols is tantamount to reckless driving.

Specifically, Article IV, Section 7, makes it clear that there are pretty hefty fines involved for those caught disregarding the sanitary protocols in place, with fines between PHP2,000-10,000 (@ \$50-250 USD) -- that’s pretty hefty penalties for the average Filipino.

**BIKIES COULD BE BANNED FROM WEARING CLUB
COLORS IN PUBLIC**

“Outlaw bikie gangs could be banned from wearing gang colours in public and subject to greater stop-and-search powers under laws proposed by police to “dismantle and destroy” WA’s criminal networks,” according to a March 17 article in WAtoday in Western Australia.

WA Police Commissioner Chris Dawson announced the reform plan shortly after confirming detectives had made a breakthrough arrest in relation to the “outrageous killing” of a former biker boss in a crowded public place, resulting in 136 search warrants issued and 102 arrests.

Anti-consorting laws are already in place in Queensland and New South Wales, where ‘bikies’ could face prison time for being caught talking to each other on a telephone call.

QUOTABLE QUOTE: "Tyranny is when the population is imprisoned - Freedom is when the politicians are."

~ Michael Malice (b. 1976), American author, columnist & media personality

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ters' military applications were ultimately rejected. Today, the Van Burens are still regarded as the first women to ride solo across America on two motorcycles.

Dorothy "Dot" Robinson

Dorothy Robinson's father was a sidecar manufacturer who, according to legend, raced his pregnant and laboring wife to an Australian hospital in a sidecar on delivery day. The Robinson family moved to America in 1918, eventually settling in Saginaw, Michigan (and later Detroit), where they ran a motorcycle dealership. Dot Robinson logged her first 100-mile endurance race win in 1930. Six years later, she was the first woman to compete in Michigan's 500-mile Jack Pine Motorcycle Run. According to the AMA Motorcycle Hall of Fame, organized attempts were made to keep Robinson out of racing throughout the '30s and '40s. But in refusing to give up the sport she loved, the woman who went on to co-found Motor Maids—the first women's motorcycle group and America's oldest existing women's club—is credited with opening the door to the sport to future generations of women.

Bessie Stringfield

Inducted to the AMA Motorcycle Hall of Fame in 2002, Bessie Stringfield had only been riding motorcycles for three years before becoming the first African-American woman to ride solo across the United States. The year

was 1930, and Stringfield was only 19. Despite rampant bigotry, racism and sexism, Stringfield traveled solo to all the Lower 48 states over the next decade and during World War II served as a dispatch rider for U.S. military. After the war, she moved to Miami where she founded the Iron Horse Motorcycle Club. There she made frequent appearances on the local motorcycle show circuit, prompting the press to nickname her "The Motorcycle Queen of Miami." In 1990, the AMA honored Stringfield as one of the "Heroes of Harley-Davidson" for a lifetime of breaking down color barriers and advancing the joy of motorcycle riding for women.

Vivian Bales

Motorcycling's first "cover girl," Vivian Bales went on a 5,000-mile solo tour of the country after her appearance on the cover of The Harley Davidson Enthusiast in 1929. Visiting various towns from Albany to Milwaukee, Baltimore to Washington D.C. (where she toured The White House and met then-president Herbert Hoover), Bales is best remembered for the goodwill and exposure she brought to women motorcyclists on her 78-day journey. Later that year, she chronicled her experiences on the road in a two-part article for Harley-Davidson's magazine (and appeared on the cover again).

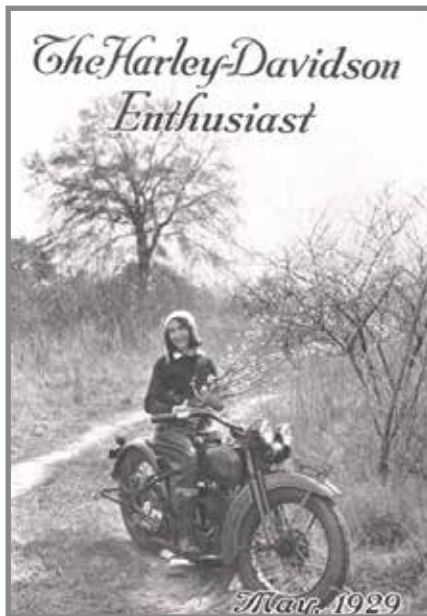
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The women spotlighted here are just a small sampling of motorcycle history's early, female pioneers. Kerry Kleid, Louise Scherbyn, Becky Brown..."

Wow, that just gives us the chills, reading and talking about these pioneers for us women. We try and imagine what it must have been like back then, and all the obstacles that they overcame. We were talking about how much we admire them. But we know women are tough, and having the obstacles, just makes the accomplishments that much sweeter. From us to all our "sisters" out there, known and unknown, to those who came before, and will come after, we love you!! Girl power!!

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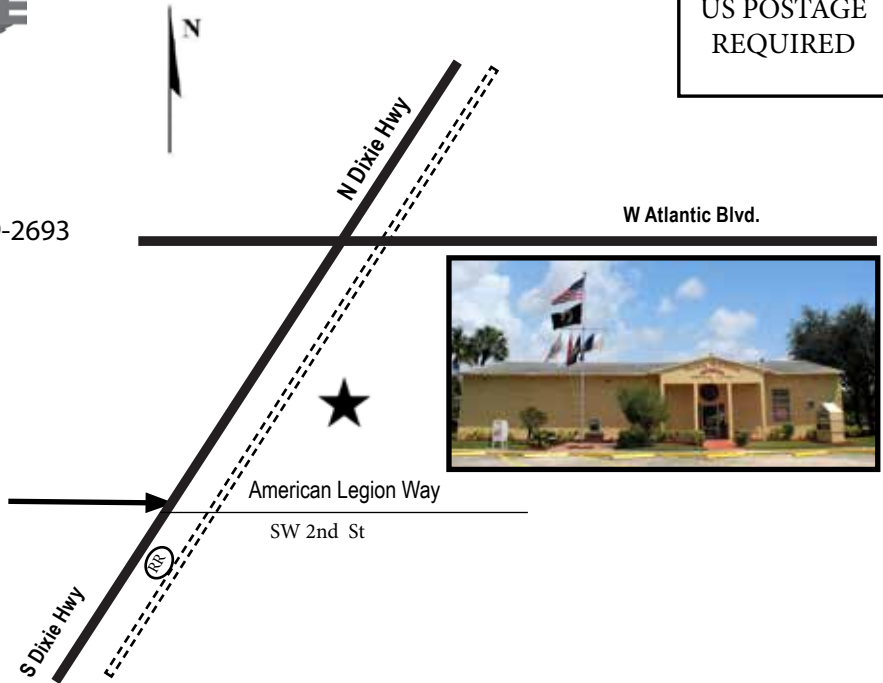
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- To print a newsletter to keep all bikers informed with regard to legislative actions and events around the state and throughout the country.
- To become a powerful and viable political force in legislative matters concerning all motorcyclists rights.
- To provide a lobbyist to represent ABATE of Florida, Inc. on the state and national level.
- To promote voter registration and motivate members to write their legislators.
- To promote safe riding habits without infringing on individual rights.
- To educate the public about motorcycle awareness.

What's Happening Locally?

Call The Hotline!

(954) 480-3100

Or Visit

ABATE Southeast Chapter's Website

<http://abatese.org>



**ABATE of Florida, Inc
Southeast Chapter**

UPCOMING SE CHAPTER MEETINGS

APRIL 18, 2021 **

May 16, 2021 **

American Legion Post 142,**

171 SW 2nd St.,

Pompano Beach, FL 33060

(954) 942-2448

Come & join the ranks

Of those who care to be involved!

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