ABATE of Michigan

Fighting for the rights of all motorcyclists since 1976

Riding free since 2012!!

Official Michigan Rider Newsletter

July 2024



Region 3 - Erik's Memorial Awareness Ride

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The Prez Report - Gary Kopta

Hello everyone,

I hope everyone has been able to get out and enjoy the warm weather we have been waiting for. I hope everyone has been safe also. I have seen reports of motorcyclists going down due to their own fault and also the fault of the car drivers turning left in front of them. I am tired of hearing the driver of the car saying "I didn't see them". There is another organization in this state that says **LOOK TWICE SAVE**



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A LIFE doesn't work. To that organization I reply with maybe if that car driver would have looked twice maybe they would have seen the motorcyclist. I mentioned that because all members should know that the legislative committee has been not only talking to the

elected officials but we have also been attending the governor's traffic safety advisory committee meetings. There is a member of that committee that believes that **LOOK TWICE SAVE A LIFE** is a waste of time and believe it or not the member of the committee also has his own motorcycle organization but doesn't like to work with us. He would rather work against us with his "all the gear all the time". If he had his way we would all be wearing helmets and leather with fluorescent vest all the time while riding. Talk about not feeling the freedom of riding. There is nothing better than feeling that nice 60 mph breeze blowing across the handlebars.

By the time you read this the freedom rally will be over and I hope we have a large turnout & the Field Meet will be done also. I hope we get a lot of members at the campground because I

know Pam and her event committee have worked very hard on it.

Next month is July. Independence day. Please remember that our forefathers fought for our rights. On a smaller scale its exactly what ABATE does. If we don't all stand together and fight for our rights then nobody will. It's all on you and me to stick together and fight for what we believe. Whether it's this insurance nightmare or the ugly helmet situation that continues to raise its head every now and then. Please support us with either attending a meeting to stay informed or getting involved with an elected official with their campaign. Remember if they support us then we support them.



Thanks again for caring please ride safe and ride a lot!

Jary

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\$10.00 TICKETS

OR





2024 Indian Chieftain



2024 Harley Davidson Street Glide

First Prize: 2024 Indian Chieftain or Harley Davidson

Provided by Town & Country Sports Center Sponsored by Marine Corps League Detachment #157

2nd: \$300 CASH • 3rd: \$200 CASH • 4th: \$100 CASH

Drawing: Saturday, September 28, 2024 at 8:00 P.M.

Place: Harley Davidson Shop, 8080 Matthews Hwy, Tecumseh, MI 49286



NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN

Please send your ticket stubs to:

ABATE of Michigan Bike Raffle Questions? Call: P.O. Box 1354 Sherri Lecurgo -

Monroe Mi. 48161

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Questions? Call: Deadline: August 10th to be in

Sherri Lecurgo - 734 693-0080 the drawing

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Secretary Report - Eric Eads

Riding season is here and in full swing. Get out and ride so you don't find yourself regretting not riding enough in January! There are plenty of Region and State events nearly every week if you are looking for a place to ride.

The Sustaining Member program is up and running. If your interested call Eric at 269-435-2058. There will be more details in the Michigan Rider.

I have the new informational tri-folds available. The tri-folds go into more detail about what ABATE is, our accomplishments, and our goals. I also have the meeting information cards available that you can hand out to anyone interested in attending a meeting. Contact me for any of these items.



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I read an article an article about a recent political get together that was held at the Grand Hotel on Mackinac Island. A sign welcoming the attendees was prominently displayed by the several major insurance companies.

It appears in this day and age that our elected officials cant do much without consulting with the insurance companies. As I said last month, your insurance rates are going to go up as much as 25% per vehicle. Insurance is getting to a point where it will be a luxury for the middle class. Your going to have more people driving without insurance to due to the cost. This might make the

state happy in increased revenue due to more tickets written for no proof of insurance. As we all remember, we were fed a line of BS by the insurance company's four years ago about how much money we would save with insurance reform. I am sure the insurance companies are having a

good laugh about what a bunch of suckers we are. Maybe our elected officials are laughing too. We still have the highest rates in the country. For the record, I am not laughing, I am pissed. Louisiana became the third state in the country to pass a law preserving the internal combustion

engine. Louisiana was one of 16 states that asked President Biden to reconsider his electric vehicle mandate.

Some electric vehicle owners are complaining about short tire life in the rear of the vehicle due to the higher weight, and twisting torque at the start of acceleration. Apparently 7500 miles is a typical life span on rear tires on electric vehicles.

Awareness donations this month are Bill Tarbill, Bill Moore, and Paul Hamlin. Scorpions MC Oakland County, Gary Kopta, and Seven Sons RC, became Sustaining Members.

Hope to see you somewhere this summer! Ride defensively!

When does your membership expire?? Stay up to date and receive your issue of the

Renew at: www.abateofmichigan.org

Michigan Rider Newsletter!!

Send your updated info to: **ABATE of Michigan State Secretary** Eric Eads

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Are you interested in joining the fight for Motorcycle Rights? Where is your Region?

County Boundaries By Region

Region 1) Keweenaw, Baraga, Iron, Ontonagon, Gogebic, Houghton

Region 2) Schoolcraft, Luce, Chippewa, Mackinac

Region 3) Antrim, Kalkaska, Grand Traverse, Leelanau, Benzie, Manistee, Missaukee, Wexford

Region 4) Emmet, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Presque Ilse, Otsego, Montmorency, Alpena

Region 5) Mason, Lake, Oceana, Muskegon, Newaygo

Region 6) Gladwin, Arenac, Midland, Bay

Region 7) Huron, Tuscola, Sanilac

Region 8) Ottawa, Kent, Allegan, Barry

Region 9) Ionia, Clinton, Eaton Inghan

Region 10) Gratiot, Saginaw

Region 11) Lapeer, St. Clair, Macomb

Region 12) VanBuren, Kalamazoo, Berrien, Cass, Joseph

Region 13) Calhoun, Jackson, Branch, Hillsdale

Region 14) Livingston, Washtenaw

Region 15) Wayne

Region 16) Crawford, Roscommon, Oscoda, Ogema, Alcona, Iosco

Region 17) Marquette, Dickinson, Menominee, Delta, Alger

Region 18) Lenawee, Monroe

Region 19) Oakland

Region 20) Genesee, Shiawassee

Region 21) Oscoda, Clare, Mecosta, Isabella, Montcalm



Scan the code for meeting

and contact

info.



Hope to see ya soon!

Products - Sally Van Coppenolle

Well, it's that time of the busy season for State Products!

2 Events coming soon and I look forward to seeing you all again.

For the Lansing Freedom Rally, I will be in front of the White House with a table set up with some NEW items. I have a few 10 year Freedom Rally shirts left over that will be on sale for \$12 - \$15

with the year 2024 printed on the sleeve to mark this year! Buy a shirt and receive a FREE gift from State Products. The same goes for the Field meet shirts left over from last year. Buy a shirt and receive a FREE gift from State Products. I will be at the front gate

Friday with various items for sale and then at the Products trailer

until 5pm. Saturday morning at the front gate and various times



Sally Van Coppenolle Phone: 734 262 4029 throughout the day on Saturday. I have been doing some restocking abateproducts@gmail.com

on some items, patches, pins, hats, hoodies, pullovers, sweatpants, beanie caps. To help with the cost of hats I will also be printing some with transfers. Since prices are still on the high side, items are limited. I have a new embroidery vendor to do the larger size for the dress shirts and jackets. Unfortunately, costing more. Dress shirts and jackets will be made to order with payment in advance. I usually have most sizes to try on. I ordered more dress shirts and jackets with LONGER length. So check out the new sizes. State Products sold the last mug so it's time for something new. I have been busy doing a lot of new crafting and have some great new items for sale. I have the ability to cut vinyl for BOTH window decals and heat vinyl transfers. Tell me what you want and I can make it!

Sally Van Coppenolle Purchasing Agent



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Products web page:

http://www.abateofmichigan.org/products.html

Where to find us!!



Explore our ABATE of Michigan website at: www.abateofmichigan.org for **WWW** information including: Region Event Flyers, Bike nights, RC/Region meeting info,

Board and Officer contact info, Officer articles, Forms, Classified, ABATE Supporter ads, our monthly Michigan Rider Newsletters, Chain of Events calendar, Document downloads, Maps, Bylaws, Products, MRF, State Events, Legislative updates, Membership

forms and online renewal....everything you need!



We also have a Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/groups/ **ABATEOFMICHIGAN**



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- Single 1 Year MembershipMailed Newsletter\$31.50
- Couple 1 Year Membership On line Newsletter \$46.50
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- Single 2 Year MembershipMailed Newsletter\$41.50
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Join the cause & become a member today!!

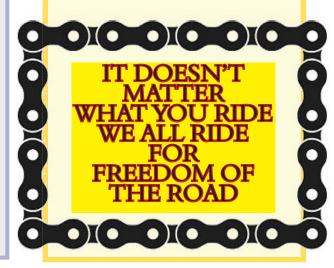
Enjoy the Benefits of **MEMBERSHIP**

* \$3500 Accidental
Death & Dismemberment

* Free Classified Ads to current members - in the newsletter and on line!

* Enjoy fun Region & State Events throughout the year!

Join or Renew your membership by mail - Or - Call our office to process your membership by using your C/C or PayPal account on our website https://abateofmichigan.org/membership%2Fjoin
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Operations Officer - Dave "Woody" Berg

Summer is in full swing, BUSY, BUSY, BUSY....

I wanted to take a minute to express a huge thank you to all that came out to support the Freedom Rally.

As we all work through our busy schedules don't forget to reach out to your Reps and Senators and extend an invite to your events give them a chance to speak and participate.

Sustaining Membership is now available to Clubs and Business's cost is \$100 a year. PLEASE Make sure your paper applications are PRINTED very clear.



Phone: 231 884-2192 Dberg01@hotmail.com

Field- meet just around the corner, 6/21 - 6/23 tickets will be available at the gate.



We Want You



To Ride with Us! Join ABATE of Michigan

ABATE of Michigan, Inc. (American Bikers Aiming Toward Education) is a non profit organization dedicated to preserving the rights and promoting the safe operating practices of Michigan motorcyclists.

ABATE of Michigan is a freedom of choice organization: believing that the rider is best able to decide the type of motorcycle to ride, and the type and extent of safety gear worn. Our primary objective is to monitor motorcycle related legislation and encourage all members to become politically involved. Through public forums, writing letters and meeting elected representatives ABATE of Michigan members have the opportunity to speak their side of the issues and educate others on the needs of Michigan motorcyclists. ABATE works to get legislation and funding for riders education program throughout the state. These programs train thousands of new motorcycles each year. Courses are also offered for the experienced rider. In addition, ABATE members have staged and participated in events raising tens of thousands of dollars and collecting much needed items such as food, clothing and toys for local communities.

ABATE of Michigan enables you to become educated both

politically and in safe riding practices. ABATE offers you activities and the brotherhood of fellow motorcyclists. ABATE fights for the rights of ALL motorcyclists to ensure that we and our children will be able to enjoy the freedoms we hold so dear. ABATE of Michigan is open to everyone 18 years or older having an interest in preserving personal freedoms and sharing our goals. Owning a motorcycle is not necessary. Members receive a newsletter covering important issues and information on local, regional and national events. (One newsletter per household). Membership fees & donations are NOT tax deductible. Membership fee is nonrefundable.

ABATE of Michigan invites you to join us and help make Michigan the best place to ride in the USA.



Sustaining Member



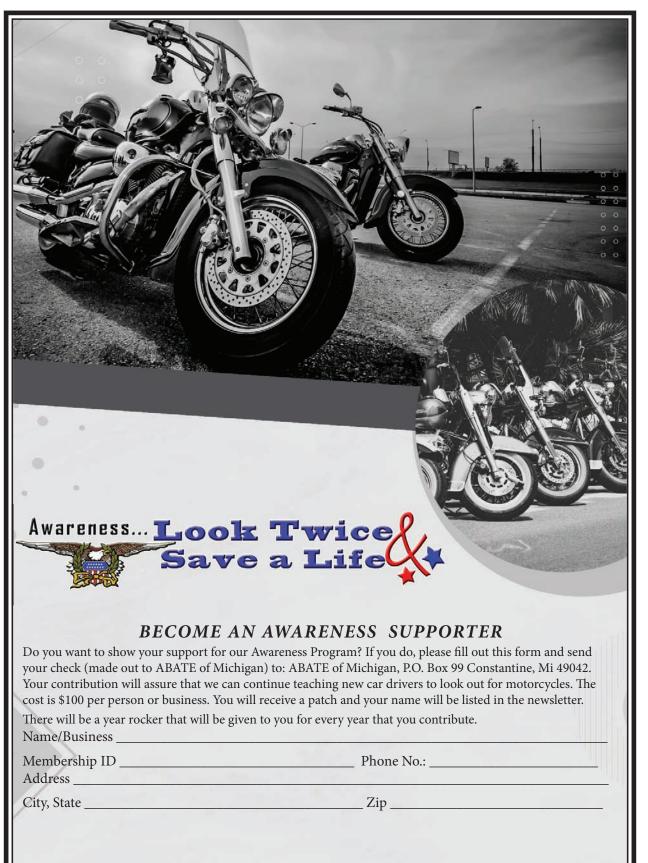
Scorpions MC Oakland County, is our first donation as a sustaining member. Thank you for supporting ABATE of Michigan!!



HOW TO BECOME A SUSTAINING MEMBER

Any Business, Club, Individual, Group, ABATE Regions or anyone who believes in Motorcycle Rights & Freedom can donate. Please fill out this form and send your donation to: ABATE of Michigan, P.O. Box 99 Constantine, Mi. 49042. (checks can be made out to ABATE of Michigan) For \$100.00 you will receive a certificate, a sticker, and recognition on the website and The Michigan Rider.

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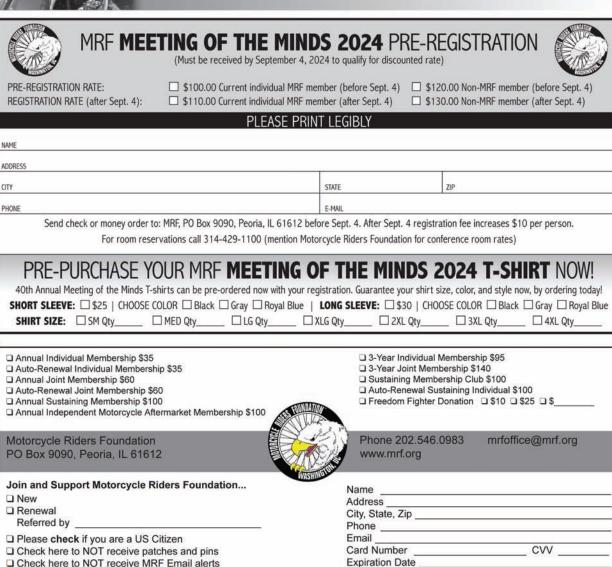
RIDE WITH THE LEADERS!



Thousands of motorcyclist rights activists have attended MRF sponsored annual regional and national workshops since 1985. These workshops provide the nuts and bolts, "user friendly" subjects and training to assist motorcyclists in defending, building, and strengthening their grass roots organizations.

Motorcycle Riders Foundation is proud to present their annual conference for politically motivated motorcyclists! Spend the weekend with some of motorcycling's most educated and dedicated activists. Learn what issues will impact bikers today and in the future!

Use the applications below to join and support the Motorcycle Riders Foundation and to pre-register for the **40th Annual Meeting of the Minds, September 26-29, 2024.**



☐ Check here to receive MRF Reports electronically (email)

Signature

Date



TBD

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Please feel free to reach

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he will help with the

process.

Call Woody:

Region Coordinators & Meeting Info

Wanted!!...If you ride a motorcycle or anyone

Region 7 Tim Polk Phone: 989 670-9976

> polk@echoicemi.com Meetings: First Sunday 2PM, Nov.-April

at Lucky Thumb Motorcycle Club 7394 Bevens Rd. Deford

May - Oct. at Evergreen Park 4731 Van Dyke Rd., Cass City

2nd Meeting second Sunday of each month

2PM

Blue water Inn at 8 N.

231 884-2192 Ridge St. Port Sanilac, Email: Dberg01@hotmail. MI 48469 com. Region 8 Region 2 Rob "Cowboy" Sluiter Phone: 616 405-6274

Travis Graham 701 509-2296 Gokartmaster 1374@ grahatl@yahoo.com gmail.com Region 3 https://region8.us Van Dunson Meetings: TBD

Phone: 231 676-0760 Region 9 vanmdunson@gmail. Nick Henry RC & Treasurer Meetings: Johnny's Phone: 517 647-6623 Torch Riviera at 12899 abateofmich.region9@ Cherry Rd, Rapid City, gmail.com

1st Wednesday of the Region 10 month Vern Shock Region 4 Phone: 810 922-1168 Dave Etherton abateregion10rc@gmail. 231 818-5277 com Etherdav@yahoo.com

Meetings 1st sunday of Region 5 the month at 3 Cindy "Gizmo" Meloche Ghost Town Saloon in Abatemichigan5@gmail. Elwell

com Sep, Nov, Jan, Mar, May Phone: 231 375-1702 July Meetings: 1st Sun 1pm Evergreen Tavern in Hemlock

Region 6 Merry Garrett Aug Phone: 734 652-9739 Region 11 merrysgarrett@yahoo.

month Chicky's Paradise downtown Almont between speedway and Dollar General we start at 7:00 pm.

Wednesday of every

Last Wednesday of every month Total Sports Production drive Harrison Township 7:00 pm. Region 12

next to (I 94) we start at Dan Dan Phone: 734 512-8055 Meetings: 1st Sunday of the month 1pm Paw Paw Eagles, Lawton

Region 13 Dan "Dano" Kenzie dkenzie1@hughes.net Phone: 517 414-8183 Meetings: 1st Sun 12 noon 7901 Benn Rd Parma, MI. 49269

Region 14 Shiny Bob Phone: 734 417-1369 shinybob@gmail.com Meetings: Saline 4th Sunday 4pm Saline American Legion Post 322 Region 15

Read meeting notes for

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3:00 pm VFW POST 9568

Phone: 989 627-7872 markberger4591@ gmail,com month 2pm

Meetings: Last Sun of Region 21 Craig Brown

dates and times

Region 17

TBD

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Region 18

Leroy Cuykendall III

bigsexy1665@hotmail.

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Sunday of the month @

2pm

Vetrans Hall

2460 Blazer Rd.

Maybee 48159

Region 19

Bill Stewart

Phone: 248 802 7221

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Meetings: 1st Tues

7:00pm

The Shark Club

Waterford 48327

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39270 Oct, Dec, Feb, Apr, Jun, W. Huron River Dr. Romulus Region 16 Richard Snooks **Jesse Gordy** Phone: 586 524-6907 Phone: 734 957-6033 Email: mail@rsnooks. jesse.gordy76@gmail. com

Meetings: 1:00 pm Second Sunday com Baileys Bar and Grill Meetings: First Bay City Page 14

6665 Highland Road **Bobby Prine** 734 299-6028 bobbyprine2870@gmail. Meetings: 3rd Sunday

Region 20 Mark Berger

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Meetings TBD **July 2024**

Region Reports



REGION 1 - Keweenaw, Baraga, Iron, Ontonagon, Gogebic, Houghton

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RC - TBD

region back strong. Please feel free to reach out to Woody – State Operations Officer, he will help with the process.

Call Woody: 231 884-2192 Email: Dberg01@hotmail. com.

REGION 2 Schoolcraft, Luce, Chippewa, Mackinac RC - Travis Graham

Hi all! Region 2 is slowly growing. Not a lot to report at the moment. Last months

meeting went well. We had

shared a lot of information!

Treeman with us and he

He claimed he talked a lot, but how ya going to share info if ya don't... We appreciate it! We discussed different ways of bringing in new comers and ticket

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sales. We are slowly coming together and grateful for everyone's help especially Victor Cross AC from region 10. Couldn't do it without you my friend. Till next month ride safe and stay right .. Thanks all from

Region 2!

by Van.

carried.

Missaukee, Wexford RC - Van Dunson Meeting was held at the Blue Pelican Side Door and called to order at 18:01 hrs

REGION 3 - Antrim,

Kalkaska, Grand Traverse,

Lelllanau, Benzie, Manistee,

The pledge was recited by all, followed by a moment of silence.

Van extended a Welcome to all who were in attendance.

A motion was made by Woody, second by Gina to get the minutes from the last meeting at the next meeting as Mark did not have them. Discussed and motion

Ann Marie gave the treasurers report. Motion by Karen, second by Woody to approve the report as

given. Discussed and carried. Legislative report by Woody

states that there really is not anything new and nothing from MRF either.

Discussion was had regarding going to the Freedom Rally and what time they would leave Kalkaska. There will be a

group going and leaving Kalkaska Shell at 0700 hrs on the 12th.

thanked Abate of Michigan, and Region 3 for their sponsorship. We got in a total of 6 signs. Karen and Gina are discussing where to put up Awareness booths. Products: Gina states that

she heard the ride was great.

Karen stated that the ride was a great success. She

An order has been made for more signs and other awareness items. Next meetings are July 3 and Aug 7th at 1800 hrs. at the Blue Pelican

all set with Two wheel. All the final info and work spots will be finalized at the next meeting. We need more sponsors for

Party update.. Everything is

bike nights. Kortnee stated that Fallen Timbers bike nights are going great, even the rainy ones. Its worth the trip to be there. We do have a sponsor that will be on site June 17th. Working on some

dinner rides and a scavenger

hunt. Stayed tuned for

more.

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Karen made a motion to give Gina a budget for Awareness items to be taken from the awareness fund, second by Kortnee. Discussed and carried. Karen made a motion to adjourn, second by Denise. Meeting adjourned. Enjoy bike night!!

REGION 4 - Emmet, Charlevoix,

Cheboygan, Presque Ilse, Otsego,

RC - Merry Gerrett It's June 1st. The May Awareness challenge has

Bay

Montmorency, Alpena RC - Dave Etherton No report this month. REGION 5 - Mason, Lake, Oceana, Muskegon, Newaygo RC - Čindy "Gizmo" Meloche The meeting opened with the Pledge and a prayer lead by Mrs. Turner On a good note, last month's Membership Bash and Baldwin Blessings of the Bikes went very well, and I would like to Thank everybody who helped in making it happen.

We have quite a few events coming up in the next few months, June 12th is the Freedom Rally at the Capital Building. June 21st -25th is the Field meet in Wolverine Mi Camping is 1st come 1st serve. Bike Time is almost here. So, mark your Calendars July 17th – July 21st in

downtown Muskegon, Mi. Region 5 will be running the campground so if you plan on stayıng, please reserve your campsite soon because they won't last. We also have the Patriot Ride on July 21st joining us in that will be the Rough Riders and Law men with all donations going towards the Vets Food Pantry and

Wink. Please come out, it will be a great weekend for everyone. Veterans run will be August 13th as we Escort the bus to Thunderbird Raceway from Grand Rapids and August 17th as we take our Vets to Ruby Creek to go Pheasant hunting. Contact Jerry Welcome or Dan "Tiny Patterson for more information.

Come join us for a great fun filled weekend as we hold our annual Fall Rodeo on August

have been a part of this. I'm sad that Vern Shock Jr. and Amy Lauren Penny will not be doing the polka and will ask that they be kind to the two old challengers Butch Brown and myself

say Region 10 rocked it out of the park. They had a tight race at times but always seemed to pull ahead. I even tried to bribe the region to send their vote to region 6 but it didn't happen. So congrats to this whole awesome region. You did it my friends.

Dinner is served on Saturday along with

join us to find out who will be playing.

different venders and of course games. We also have a band or two, but you will have to

REGION 6 - Gladwin, Arenac, Midland,

been completed and I can say I'm so proud to

So if you don't understand my jokes let me just

First place: Region 10 you rock. Second place: Region 6. Thanks for fighting a good fight Third place: Region 3 let's do this again. We will get them at the next challenge. lol Love

ya all for giving a shit. Our event at Bubbas was a great success. Lots of Region 6 came out to hang out and help.

Our awareness ride was well attended and I hear the ride was pretty darn awesome. Had some Region 7 members there and I thank you all for coming out and being our sister region.

We have our Memorial Run coming up on July

20. We will have a food truck there again so bring your appetite. Probably won't do a silent auction this time but would like to do a corn hope tourney. Let me know what you think.

Hope all are enjoying their summer so far. The Freedom Rally has been here and I'm hoping a lot of folks attended. I was out of town so I couldn't go.

Field meet is around the corner and we will as always have a great time. Hope you attended or had a great time at other events.

Any questions as always my number and email

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23rd – 26th.

REGION 8 - Ottawa, Kent, is right here in the rider. We Allegan, Barry will be having a board meeting RC - Rob "Cowboy" Sluiter at the Field meet and another in August. If there's anything you want me to touch base Region 8 successfully with the board with please contact me. Let the wind blow

Let the sun shine on your face

back your hair

hosted a ride to the Gilmore Museum's Vintage Motorcycle Weekend. King

Come out to a meeting anywhere in Michigan. Look at it again! Great route, good the rider to pace, and just plain old fun. We also had 14 people ride See where they are, go on the website, sign up a member to the Freedom Rally! Next Just do whatever we can do to month we will have another keep us rocking and rolling Sheriff join our meeting in Till next time an effort to start building See Ya, that relationship. Lastly, Rob "Cowboy" Sluiter is Merry. taking over Region 8 as the

REGION 7 - Huron, Tuscola, Sanilac RC - Tim Polk Meeting on June 1, 2024 We had a small meeting after our Rest In Peace ride with only about a dozen bikes on the ride. Thankfully there

were some passengers as well! We went over the upcoming events and encouraged everyone to attend! Especially to the Freedom Rally and the Field Meet!

Went over our Camping Event at Lucky Thumb and what's needed from our members. Also, asked for a few people

to step up to take a couple

open positions in our region. We are in need of a new Secretary, a new Awareness director and more awareness instructors. If interested please

let me know! Call, text or email me, all my info is in the Rider and online. I'm writing this sitting in front of the Capitol with the Freedom Rally going on right

'Till next month,

Tim.

now!! Look for a few pictures!

Pin formally lead his first region ride and will be doing

new Regional Coordinator. To all of the members that have supported me for the last three years, THANK YOU. Let's throw all of that support behind Cowboy as he takes us to the next level!! REGION 9 - Ingham,

Eaton, Clinton & Ionia

RC - Nick Henry

events in region 9.

both events.

Region 9 R.C.

Saginaw

June 2, 2024

Nick

fish fry, and the ABATE field

meet. I hope to see a big turn

out of Region 9 members at

Counties

We had a table at Sunfield cycle shop's open house and was able to sell some Raffle tickets and a couple of products. I hope to place tables at other

The big happenings this month are the Freedom Rally at the capital, there will be a

Ride safe, Ride free REGION 10 - Gratiot,

RC - Vern Shock Meeting Evergreen Tavern fling to June. Highland festival parade 1200 wristbands and about 150 pounds of candy was handed out during the parade. Lots of

thanks ABATE. Wristbands are

definitely a big hit. Might need

Meeting was called to order

Minutes from last meeting was

Spring fling lost money as not

have shirts available which will

help recoup some of the costs.

many participated. We still

Will look at moving spring

at 3:10 and the pledge was

to order a couple hundred more next year as they go fast. We still have the membership drive that is ongoing until September 1st. I haven't seen any new members so it's wide open.

Poker run July 13. New members will ride free if they sign up the day of the ride. Flyers are available to pass out. Bernie is doing the ride. It will start at Evergreen Tavern and

will end at Brant Bar. Rustic camping is available. Contact Bernie Sheperd or John Neumann about when to bring a camper or tent and where to place it. You can camp the night before. Shirts will be

available and pre orders to be taken. We need to have the orders in 2 weeks before the ride. End of summer party / ride September 7th. Details as of now will start at Ghost Town

and end at Lumberjack Park.

Looking at getting a food truck

and looking for a band. Hope

to have that wrapped up in the next week or 2 and get the flyers out. Bernie plans on taking us on a long ride for that one. Hopefully the weather

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speaking as well as others. When Bob gets back by the amount of the mileage they travel. (Not I'll have him post what time he's leaving and sure but I hope this is for just the electric where from for all those that are going to ride vehicles because we already pay taxes on our down. I'll be going from flint to Lansing. Awareness challenge. Thank you all for Can expect a 25% increase in our insurance this stepping up and winning the challenge as I year per vehicle. Michigan is already one of the didn't want to do the polka. highest for insurance premiums in the country. Field Meet is coming up in a few weeks. June Mid-Michigan biker podcast. If anyone listens 21-23. You can still buy tickets before the meet to podcasts Woody has done one now as well as for \$15 single or \$25 a couple. That is to camp Gary. I plan on doing one in the future, it's just for the weekend. At the gate it will be \$25 each. a matter of when. Silent auction items needed, Live auction On the 23rd I attended the Memorial Day items,Bike games and bike show on Saturday Service on the Lansing Senate Floor as a guest afternoon, Itinerary available at the gate during of Senator Ruth Johnson. That was a pretty check in, There will also be routes printed cool experience. out of some areas to ride there as well if interested. Campground rules are that there are MRF has been fighting for our right to no political flags allowed. If you wish to buy repair and has pledged its full support to tickets still contact Eric Eads. Number is on the the Independent Motorcycle Aftermarket to website or in the newsletter. Live music Friday continue the battle. Franchise dealers prefer to and Saturday Night Buck a beer. When I went eliminate independent dealers and then charge 2 years ago it was tall boys for a buck. I believe outrageous prices for parts and labor. Consider rusty dogs will be there as well with food. They joining the MRF. are pretty good. American Income life insurance company is Treasurer report was given by Brandi the company that provides us with our \$3,500 AD&D benefit. Just recently I found out that Gary read the MRF report they have Child Safe Kits(also available in an App and can be tied into the Amber Alert New for ABATE...Sustaining members System. \$100.00. Will get a sustaining member sticker, a letter and certificate, recognition in the The newsletter has a classified AD page which newsletter, and on the Abate of Michigan currently has 1 ad on it. It is free to current website. members to send in Ads. They must be resubmitted each month. You must submit your Another motorcycle rider was hit and killed membership number with the ad. by a Tesla recently that was on autopilot in Washington State Still no movement on the insurance bill. Congress has 30 co-sponsors signed on to Keep the bike tickets coming. Doing a great job. a resolution that would overturn the EPAs emission standards that would compel half of Meeting of the minds September 26-29 St. Louis Missouri. all new vehicles sold to be electric by 2032. The State of Michigan is working on a bill that Motorcycle Safety Action Team....Shadow would increase penalties and fines for vehicles rider program in 2023 31,000 postcards ABATE OF MICHIGAN Page 18 July 2024

that exceed a certain decibel level. Currently a motorcycle is 82 decibels on 35mph or less

and 86 decibels on 35 mph or greater streets.

on House Bill 5696.

Contact your Representative and tell them no

There is a plan to institute a charge in Michigan

holds up for both rides.

Freedom rally next week in Lansing. Parking is

If you park on the street you can only put 1 bike per parking spot and you have to pay for it. There is a fish fry after the rally. Gary will be

available at no charge at the capitol white house.

Budget of \$500,000 the Snooks Total Sports in Harison Twp. media coverage campaign for Both meetings start at 7:00 pm. safe motorcycling has been Come to a meeting it will Okay what is happening in focused on counties with the your region. June 8th at the help you understand what highest level of motorcycle City Limits Bar in Port Huron ABATE is doing for you while crashes. Wayne, Oakland, was your 2nd Annual Corn providing the tools to make Kent, Genesse and Kalamazoo. Hole Tournament. We had a it stop. Believe me when I Media coverage includes bar say there truly are people out good showing, and this event there that don't understand signage, cooler signage, gas went well. Tournament results station, tv, billboards and social 1st Place won by Mike 2nd our lifestyle. People that don't media. 39% of the campaign Place won by Andy, I left out understand it so much believe is billboards and advertising. we shouldn't be riding twotheir last names to keep them Campaign will run May and three-wheel vehicles. I'm anonymous. Just in case they through August. A 30 second also very sure I don't have owe anyone money, they still don't have it leave them alone commercial was just produced to tell you about how they showing motorcycle riders and stop calling. Tim Z. won want to make the internal at a local bar drinking and 50/50 same game you don't combustion engine go away. playing darts. It focuses on the Battery powered Motorcycles know his last name so there impairment over time. is what they want, how do will be no collecting owed debts or Taxes. I make noise with a battery Today is June 12, and we just powered motorcycle? Maybe There was also a regional ride a card in my spokes, what a had the Freedom Rally. It to Lansing for our ABATE of was held on the west side of Michigan Freedom Rally on crazy patch for mine and your vest "Playing Cards in My the Capital again this year. June 12th at the capital. We We need to show up big for meet at the BP in Imlay City Spokes Saves Lives". But on a this every year. Not just our on Cedar Street and Newark federal level they want to stop region, not just ABATE, BUT us from working on our bikes. Rd. kickstands up at 9:03 anyone that rides that cares 84 miles later we we're at So, if these people win you about the future of riding the capital. At 11:00 am or will loss your right to work motorcycles. The fish fry on your Bikes. Oh, Shit the maybe a little later we were afterwards was great and plenty Playing card in your spokes entertained by our current will not be an option because to go around. During the rally, BOD and past President and Representative Brian BeGole, Legislative officer. Also, in you can't install it. attendance and speaking to sent me a text about HB Believe me these two examples 5696. It will criminalize loud the crowd was Russ from are only two things on a list of exhaust. First offense \$500. many. Come to a meeting we the Scorpions MC, Magoo Second offense \$1000, and need more in our fight. from the Road Agents MC, third time is \$1000 fine and a Jinx from MRF. Let me Ride Safe Ride Sober criminal misdemeanor. tell you people there is a lot of legislation on a state and Watch out for those not Reminder, next meeting is at Watching out for You. federal level that will stop us Ghost Town July 7th at 3 and Rich Snooks. from riding. We must unite the Poker Run July 13 with and stop what our government REGION 12 - VanBuren, signups starting at 10 am at is trying to do. There really Kalamazoo, Berrien, Cass, Evergreen Tavern. is too much to list in our regional report. But at one of Joseph RC - Dan Dan Ride safe and enjoy our the Regional meetings, I can summer weather. explain everything. Explain Tracy started with the Pledge and provide you with the of Allegiance. Respectfully submitted, information you need to help stop the craziness from going Dan went over last month's Vern Shock - RC Region 10. forward. notes. If you want to help out July 2024 *ABATE OF MICHIGAN* Page 19

REGION 11 - Lapeer, St.

RC- Richard "Magilla"

Clair, Macomb

were mailed out and 26,000

don't have an endorsement.

mailed out for those that

First Wednesday of the month

Chicky's Paradise in Almont,

Last Wednesday of the month

talk to Gary and Joy on how to help. From 5 pm to 9 pm every Wednesday in Lawton. The Field Meet is June 21st through 23rd. Tickets are available at the door. \$25 per person includes camping, games, music and fun!

on Wednesday Bike Night in Paw Paw Eagles,

Region 12 will have 4 Silver coins to raffle off.

Bear with the MRF Report - NHTSA told Tesla the company had to provide more information on the recent software recall and

update of the autopilot feature. The recall was to improve Tesla's Driver Engagement Systems, that monitor if drivers are safely operating the vehicle. Failure by Tesla to comply before July 1st could result in fines up to \$135 million. This is after NHSTA studied hundreds of crashes involving autopilot. They found that autopilot contributed to at least 467 collisions and 14 deaths from January through August 2023. All because drivers weren't paying attention to the autopilot and their

of the House of Representatives and all 100 Senators got information packets outlining our legislative agenda. (Bear has info on this.) House Congressional Motorcycle Caucus added 6 members since Bikers Inside the Beltway. This brings membership to 36 from both parties, the House and Senate. Motorcycle Caucuses host educational seminars and press events on issues facing the motorcycling community.

surroundings. Talk about the ultimate distracted

Bikers Inside the Beltway - All 435 members

drivers.

Joy with the Treasury Report - The region is doing well right now. We have a few things going on to help sell more bike raffle tickets and make some money. Joy with the Awareness Report - Freedom Ride is June 12th in Lansing at 11 am. Parking at the

White House. See flyer in the Rider.

Melissa with the Poker Run - June 29th the ride registration starts at 11 am and kickstands up at Noon. 5715 N 6th St. Kalamazoo, MI. \$20 per person, includes ride, prizes, scavenger hunt, dinner and camping.

Don't forget the Niles Burn Run in Niles, MI July 26th through 28th. Riverfront Park in Niles, \$30 for riders and \$10 for passengers.

to get more members, let Eric know. Tracy brought up an idea to get a plan for a maintenance training show open to families and get everyone involved in bikes. We are going to

plan for the 2025 riding season.

and more.

Eric with Memberships - We are staying

music. The ride is on Sunday. Registration

opens at 8 am until 11 am and kickstands up at

consistent with members. If you have any ideas

The July meeting will be on the 14th, so everyone can enjoy the 4th of July weekend with friends and family.

MRF Meeting of the Minds is September 26th through 29th in St. Louis, Missouri. See Bear for more information. Muskegon Bike Time July 20th through 23rd for bikes, car show, music, contests, vendors

would have won if he was present.

We drew for 50/50 raffle and someone in the bar won. We drew for a bike raffle ticket and Bar won.

We drew for the incentive drawing and Mike H.

seconded it. Last month there was an error in the meeting notes. It should have said Dan J. won the incentive drawing and donated most of it back

Q motioned to close the meeting and Linda

to the region. It was not Dan T. who won. Thank you Joylynn Wojciehowski.

REGION 13 - Calhoun, Jackson, Branch, Hillsdale

RC - Dan "Dano" Kenzie

Hello region 13! We had a great meeting, wish more would come on out and participate. As always we opened the meeting with the pledge of allegiance. I

would like to welcome Kris and Jennie Post To the region hope to see more of you both. Our treasurer Sassy gave her report and once again we are in the positive.

Herb gave the legislative report and it did

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Concert Friday, Car Show Saturday and Live Page 20

have some concerning topics. Right now the legislature in Lansing is deadlocked, so not much is going to get done until they sort some issues out. The motorcycle safety committee held a meeting and of course they are pushing for helmet usage. He also informed us that the people that are handling the helmet statistics have (hopefully) made an error. For all the years that I can remember there has always been three categories, helmeted, unhelmeted and unknown. The most recent data only had two categories, helmet and unhelmeted, And the unhelmeted category seen a major increase of numbers. Herb said that he is going to look into this farther and let us know. He did try to get in touch with them but unfortunately he was on vacatıon. Jinx gave the MRF report and they did not go to Washington due to the cost of the trip. They did contact the legislatures in their offices to express their questions and concerns. He also gave us an update on the CARS act. This is one that we have to get behind. Under events we have two big ones this month. The first one is the helmet rally at the capitol. We have a group meeting at The corner of Rives Junction Road and M-50 at 9:15. We will be leaving at 9:45 for Meijers gas station in Charlotte to meet up with region 12 then on to the capitol! The second big event is the Fieldmeet on 21st through the 23rd in Wolverine. Always a great time. Hope to see everyone there. July 2024

minute time allowance on the reports. This is only for the report it DOES NOT include questions and discussion. The booth at TC Powersports went well. We sold some signs and signed up a couple of new members. Our PAC run is coming up fast! We need to get door prizes around for this. This is a big event for our PAC fund and we would like to keep it that way if not make it bigger. Speaking of region events Our regional run will be on September 28th and we need to start getting door prizes for that also. We have several positions that need to be filled, if you are interested about being more involved in this please see me. BIG NEWS ON JULY MEETING! We will be meeting at the Proud Vets 7901 Benn rd Parma Michigan at 11:00am and leaving at 11:30 for Paw Paw to hold a Joint meeting with region 12! Hope to have a good group to make the run! If you need bike raffle

I gave the RC report. One

thing that we had to do (that I was hoping to avoid)

was to implement a 20

been more and more bike accidents. Lets be careful out there we all want to have a good time and a good ride but we also want to make it back home. Until next month, Ride safe! Dano. REGION 14 - Livingston, Washtenaw RC - Shiny Bob Meeting Minutes Date: May 18, 2024

tickets get in touch with me!

Seems like lately there has

Meeting end time: 6:15pm. Amos/Secretary report: May meeting minutes submitted to Silla May 22, 2024. All minutes are available to members for review at each meeting and are available in the Rider. Field Meet - Single price is \$15.00 and Couple price is \$25.00 and make sure

Eric Nelson Sergeant of

Pledge of Allegiance lead by

Meeting start time: 5:45pm

Eric Nelson and moment

of silence for personal

intentions spoken and

unspoken.

ticket.

to note their names on the returning portion of the Sent an email to Thunder Roads Editor on April 17, 2024, to place our Bike Show on their EVENTS page. Not yet able to validate information was posted in

the May Thunder Roads publication. Saline Rotary – Amos and Dawn's ABATE presentation date is June 13, 2024, at 12pm at the Saline American Legion Post 322. Region 14 patch – Our region is having a contest

for our new region patch

design. Region members encouraged to sketch out their ideas. We will review each entry and vote on the winner at our July meeting. South Carolina Myrtle Beach Rally – Amos stopped by the ABATE of South Carolina awareness table on May 16, 2024, for a meet

and greet. The SC members

were all very welcoming to

me and invited me to take

part in their event picture. I met Ray "Fireball" Richards, Sally/Treasurer's report: Sally presented the treasurer's report to members. 1st Motion to Accept Treasurer's report: Eric 2nd Motion to Accept Treasurer's report: Tony Shiny Bob: May 18th Bike Raffle poster board displayed in the Saline American Legion. Thank you, Eric and Diana for your support in selling raffle tickets to patrons at the legion. Thank you, Ann for all your work on our Awareness Ride. June 12th is the Freedom Rally in Lansing. Parking at the White House. June 15th is our annual region Bike Show here at the Saline American Legion. Reminder -Raffle basket volunteers please work on getting these together. June 21st – June 23rd, 2024, the date for the Field Meet. Our region will run the five Bike games this year and we are looking for volunteers to help orchestrate the games. Sally will provide plaques for the Bike game winners. Chef Mark will put together our region's liquor wagon for the Field Meet. Region 14 monthly meeting for June will be on Sunday June 30th instead of Sunday June 23rd due to the Field Meet. Bike raffle tickets are also available. Region 14 members please see me for tickets packs. Drawing on September 28th, 2024, and will be at Tecumseh Harley Davidson. Ann Tobian/Legislative/Media/Road Captain Report: No report this month. Dawn/Awareness Report: No report this month. 1st Motion to Close meeting: Tina 2nd Motion: Sally Next Meeting June 30th, 2024, 4:00pm Respectfully submitted by: Amy (Amos) Bachorek Region 14 Secretary. REGION 15 - Wayne RC - Bobby Prine Region 15 meeting May 19, 2024 The meeting started with the pledge of allegiance.

Chapter Coordinator and we discussed legislation they are concentrating on, and the challenges they currently face in South Carolina. I mentioned the legislation ABATE of Michigan is working on and our challenges. Members gave me a patch, kickstand plate and cooling head wrap as parting gifts. I look forward to seeing them again at next year's rally!

Johnny gave the Treasure Report with income and expense for the month.

Pam made a motion to accept the report, George Second, all members present accepted.

Legislative- Jim reminded us of the Freedom Rally, moving forward next year meeting locations to

be on the flyer. June 12th at 11am to noon, followed by the fish fry at the White House. Parking at White House 322 W. Ottawa.

Legislative Days on Wednesday's, there won't be another Legislative Day until September.

LO meetings are the Third Thursday of the month, Bear sets up these meetings.

Questionnaires are given out to Constituents to find out if they support ABATE. There will be an endorsement list in the Rider.

George told us that they need people to work the polls for the election.

MRF- "Meeting of the Minds" September 26-29 in St. Louise MO. Telegraph cruise July 27th (every year 4th Saturday in July) Field Meet raffle for region 15, undecided.

Next meeting is Father's Day.

Dawn Domigan from Region 14 told us of the Bike show/Swap meet on June 15 12-4pm at the

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MCOC is June 7th @ Forbidden Wheels in Brighton. Motion to close, George, second by Jim all members present accepted. REGION 16 - Crawford, Roscommon, Oscoda, Ogema, Alcona, Iosco RC- Jesse Gordy No report this month. REGION 17 - Marquette, Dickinson, Menominee, Delta, Alger RC- TBD Wanted!! If you ride a motorcycle or anyone you know rides and enjoy the freedom of choice. We are Reuniting the region and spreading the joy of ABATE to the UP. We want to hear from you and help bring the region back strong. Please feel free to reach out to Woody – State Operations Officer, he will help with the process. Call Woody: 231 884-2192 Email: Dberg01@hotmail.com. REGION 18 - Lenawee, Monroe RC- Leroy Cuykendall III No report this month. REGION 19 Oakland RC - Bill Stewart Report from Region 19 For the July, 2024 Issue of Michigan Rider Region 19 Is Alive and Well, But We Still Need YOU!! Region 19's meeting was held on the first Tuesday of June, at the Shark Club in Waterford. Region folks gathered at 6:00 p.m. for dinner, after which RC Bill officially called the meeting to order at 7:00. Those gathered 'round the table discussed some of the issues that come up whenever ABATE bikers get together: Conversation focused on the Right to Repair, a topic that has never been more important because many dealerships no longer will work on older (carbureted) engines or even some of the fuel-injected bikes, if they are more than 10 years old! One is tempted to ask "How can this

The high cost of dealership shop-time and the frequent long waits to get bikes worked on at such shops were also discussed. Our Treasurer (Speedy) has recently undergone another surgery on her left knee (the 7th...it's a long story) and was not in attendance. But she had emailed her report to Bill who presented the financial information. The group also

Many riders cannot afford to buy new

bikes every few years and many of us love

our old machines that have carried us across 1000's of miles of adventure. Right to Repair

legislation is needed to ensure that non-dealer,

privately-owned bike shops will have access to tools, information and parts, so that it will be

possible to keep those old bikes on the road.

be??"

wished our Treasurer a "speedy!" recovery, with a wink and a smile:-) Our LO (Hess, who is fortunate to be married to Speedy) was also not in attendance, but he too had provided a report to Bill which our RC reviewed:

A little of the history regarding ABATE

Even given Lansing's lethargy, Region

of Michigan's long fight to deal with the effects of SB-1 of 2019. That fight has not yet had the results that we want and need. But it is certain that ABATE will never give up! Lansing's current political climate has resulted in dysfunction and legislative inaction.

This is a really difficult time to advance a

solution to the PIP crisis.

19's Legislative Officer finds ways to keep our issues current and active for our elected officials. On the 13th of May Hess met with

meeting at the Waterford Senior Center. Hess thinks that it is important to keep friendly relationships with these folks...it is certain that we will need their support going forward. Mark Tisdel (Hess's own Rep from Rochester) launched his re-election campaign

Brenda Carter's staff during an in-district

on the 17th of May, and at that shindig in downtown Rochester, Hess was able to speak with Rep Tisdel, Senator Mike Webber and Rep Joe Aragona (from the 60th District). Hess hit all these folks with detailed

"Please help ABATE with the issues that are so

important to Michigan's motorcyclists!" These folks have heard Hess's pitch before, but it never hurts to remind our legislators that these problems have not yet been solved. Tuesday's meeting also featured an MRF report

Saline Legion.

The US House Congressional Motorcycle Caucus now has 36 lawmakers from both parties. Representative Tim Walberg (a life-member of ABATE of Michigan) is Co-Chair of the Caucus and we can be sure that he will represent us well. We are very fortunate to have Tim as our friend in Washington!

Other news included reminders of and planning for upcoming Region 19 events:

12th of June, beginning on the West Steps of the Capitol at 1100 hours; Fish fry at 1200.

Louisiana has recently passed a bill to protect the future of Internal Combustion Engines in a world that is filling with Electric Vehicle mandates. That bill becomes effective on the first of

The Louisiana Governor has also written a letter to President Biden asking the President to

ABATE of Michigan's annual Freedom Rally and Fish Fry take place on Wednesday the

Discussion of a possible Cider Run and maybe some other rides during the coming

Region 19 celebrates its continued existence with every meeting. But it's important for Oakland County's bikers to remember that with only an RC, a Treasurer and an LO, the Region

As we wait for more folks show up and volunteer to fill the our many vacant leadership positions, Region 19 will soldier on...but without those volunteers, we foresee only a limited level

We really hope to see you at our next meeting...at the Shark Club on Tuesday, July 2

ABATE's Field Meet will be held on the weekend of June 21-23... June is a big month for

REGION 20 - Genesee, Shiawassee RC - Mark Berger

cannot hope to play a significant role in support of ABATE's mission.

of activity. Please join us and volunteer to lend a hand.

Not very much to talk about this month. ABATE of Michigan will be coming out with a Q&A flyer. Not

6665 Highland Road Waterford, MI 1800 Hours for Dinner, Meeting at 1900

Submitted by Hess Bates,

Region 19 Legislative Officer hessbates@att.net 248 736 0502.

reconsider his recent decisions regarding EV's.

sure when they will be available.

We still are in need of donations for the Field Meet raffle basket.

If you have or would like to donate, please bring to me by June 14th. Freedom Rally was June 12th.

Our dinner ride was cancelled.

contribution):

August, 2024.

ABATE activities.

months.

50/50 drawing was won by Cupcake which she donated back.

That pretty much sums it up. Ride safe.

Bus.

REGION 21 - Oscoda, Clare, Mecosta, Isabella, Montcalm RC Craig A. Brown No report this month.

The Michigan **Rider Deadline is** the 12th of each month. Please include your Region # in the subject line in your email.

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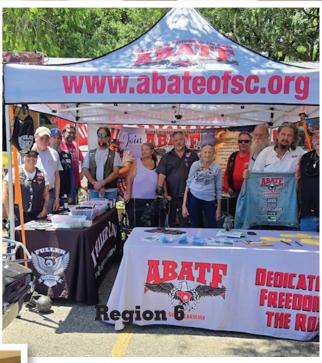
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Region 14

May 16, 2024 South Carolina ABATE Myrtle Beach Rally Picture



Gina Berg Region 3 and Merry Garrett region 6 at Bubba's Swap Meet in Midland









Region 3

Erik's Memorial Awareness ride. It was a beautiful day and a great time was had by all.



THERAPY - IS - EXPENSIVE



WIND - IS - FREE



Fredom Relly 2 Feb Fry 2024



Region 7

Regions 7& 6 parked in front of the blue house in Lansing, for the Freedom Rally



Region 10

Amy Penny, Representative Brian BeGole, Representative Bob Bezotte, and Vern Shock Region 10 RC at the Freedom Rally Fish Fry.

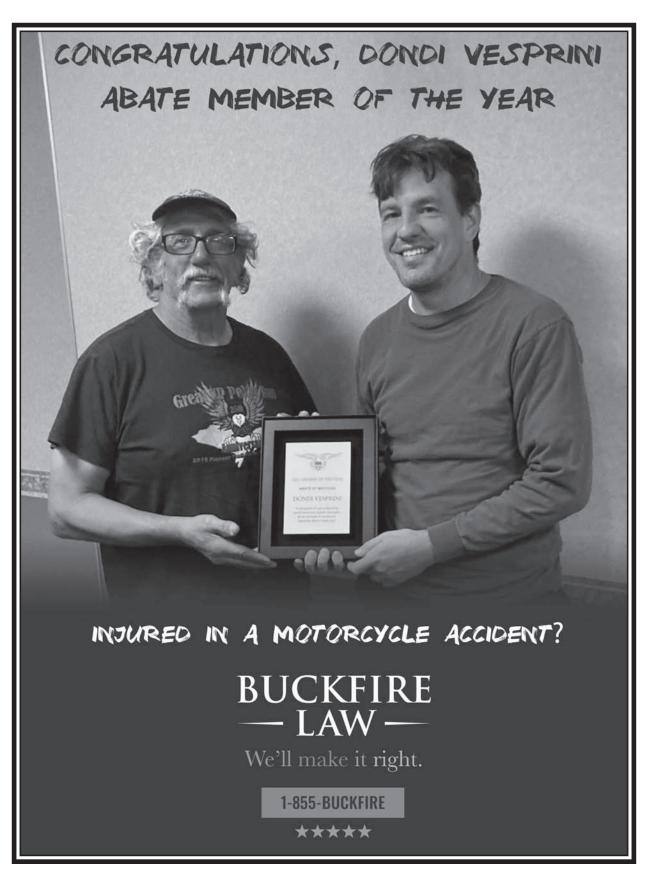


Region 10

Alma Highland Festival Awareness Event.









Have something to sell? Looking for something??

FOR SALE: 2019 Tri-Glide Ultra - Stage 2 - Many Extras. Options to much to List - Have log of all work done. Asking 32,000.00 or Best Offer.

Call Jerry 989 992-0551

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More Info: Marlene at 810-712-1600





ABATE OF MICHIGAN REGION 11

30th ANNUAL OBSERVATION RUN

Saturday July 20th, 2024

STARTS AT: JJ KNAPP'S TAVERN

67126 Gratiot Richmond, MI 48062

Located on the east side of Gratiot, between 31 Mile & Main St RIDER EXCLUSIVE BREAKFAST SPECIAL AVAILABLE!

Sign in from 10:30 - 12:00

\$20per Bike, \$25 w/passenger.

Prizes for: Best 3 hands, 50/50 & Door Prizes

For more Information, Please call or text Cowboy at (586)746-4765



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Parisville Saloon's

14th Annual Hog Roast & Bike Run To Benefit ABATE Regions 11 & 7

Motorcycle Awareness & Motorcycle Legislation

Stamp the Thumb Run

WHEN: Saturday, July 27th

\$20 Per Person

11:00am - Sign up Starts

Last Bike in by 5:00pm

Run will get you 4 Stamps for your Book

6:00pm - Dinner *Donated by Poncho Villa Cocina

WHERE: Parisville Saloon

2 Miles North of Atwater Rd. On Parisville Rd.

5495 Priemer Rd. Parisville.

Andrea 989-912-0803 Jose 810-790-9810

FREE Rustic Camping & 30 Amp Electric Hook Up Available



#parisvillesaloon #ABATE\$ummerTour #ponchovillacocina

Rícky D Memorial Ríde August 3rd, 2024

We will Start and Finish at Imlay City Eagles

-Kickstands up AT Noon-

We will go on a 99 to 100 mile run of Ricky's Favorite riding Locations. A \$10 a Person donation will go to ABATE of Michigan for Motorcycle Awareness in Rick Dahn's Name



Call Karla Dahn (810) 614-6585 Leave Message

That's a Red Solo Cup This is a Bonus Stop in Your Summer Tour Book



ABATE Region Eleven First Annual All You Can Eat Walleye Fish Fry



August 10th 3:00 - 5:00 PM 4591 CHAMBERLIN ST. CLAIR COUNTY EAST CHINA 48054

\$25 Donation Bring Your Own Alcohol

Support ABATE of Michigan Region 11 Motorcycle Legislation in Lansing

Motorcycle Awareness in Michigan

Contact Rich Snooks for detailed Information 586.524.6907 This is an ABATE Summer Tour Bonus Stamp



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BOOBA PALOOZA Tour 2024

Sunday September 8th SIGN IN 11:00 am - 1:00 pm

Startup
CASCADDAN LOUNGE
4099 S Lapeer Rd.
Metamora, 48455

LAST BIKE IN 5:00 pm CHICATRAZ

> 3993 Howland Rd Almont, 48003 810-798-9546



Food Served at Five **All Vehicles Welcome Rain or Shine**ABATE Summer Tour Bonus Stamp



SUNDAY IS BIKE DAY! SPECIALS ALL DAY AND NIGHT

Starts May 5th

Chicky's Paradise

133 N. Main Almont, MI 48003 (810)798-9546

Hours: Sun 12 noon to Close

"Home of Booba-Palooza"

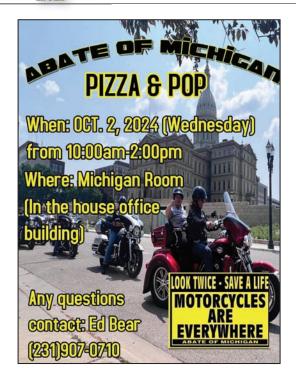
North of Main St. West side of M53 (Van Dyke)

Friend Chicky Bryant On FB for bar Info











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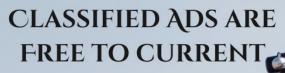
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Biker Summer Camp out

Poker Run - Details TBA

30th Annual Observation Run

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Sunday - Bike Day - Chicky's Paradise

Fallen Timbers

13901 US 31, Beulah Mi. 49617

Monday nights - 6:30pm

No Bike night on Memorial day. Blue Pelican - Side Door - 2535 Main St.

Central Lake Mi. 49622 6:30pm every Wednesday **Region Events**

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Aug 23 - 26 Reg 5 Fall Rodeo End of Summer Party - Details TBA Sept 7 Reg 10 End of Summer/Family picnic. 1pm. Bus Reg 20 Sept 7 and Cupcakes house Booba Palooza Tour 2024 Reg 11 Sept 8 Rich 586 524-6907 Sept 26 - 29 Meeting of the Minds - St. Louis Missouri Sept 28 Annual Bike Raffle Drawing @ 8am Tecumseh H-D Oct 2 **Annual Pizza & Pop Luncheon** Oct 4 - 6 Reg 7 Carved In Stone Weekend - Evergreen Pk |Tim 989 670-9976 Oct 5 Reg 5 Toy Run Fall Color Run - TBD Oct 6 Reg 12 Reg 10 Possible Color Tour Oct 12 Christmas Party @ Ghost Town Saloon Dec 7 Reg 10 Dec 8 Reg 5 Christmas Party Christmas Party & Meeting - Blue Water Marlene 810 712-1600 Dec 8 Reg 7 Dec 14 Reg 6 Christmas Party Merry 734 652-9739 Dec 20 Reg 12 Christmas Party Michigan Confederation of Clubs **TABS for TOTS** ~ Tabs are used toward the The MCOC represents motorcycle club purchase of medical equipment for members and individual motorcyclists Children's Hospital Wards. Also alike to fight for everyone's freedoms and rights as purchase a "Pull Tabs for Tot's" patch bikers. We work with and support ABATE and MRF to for \$5. It's a great looking red, white ensure what we all enjoy the freedom of motorcycling and black round patch with above without discrimination. picture on it. Money from sales are added to the To join and support the MCOC contact Trash at: trashmcoc44dd@gmail.com Membership tab fund. Visit us on the web Clubs\$100/year Send tabs and money for patch to: www.micoc.us Individuals\$ 20/year <mark>Stan "The Tabman"</mark> Demski Individuals Membership includes a patch and member card WE RIDE Ride Safe.... ABATE OF MICHIGAN July 2024 Page 39

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