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ABATE of Michigan Newsletter



Representative Greg Alexander - House District 98 - Regions 7 & 11, with ABATE of Michigan President Vince Consiglio (R) & Vice President Butch Brown (L) at the 2023 Pizza & Pop Luncheon in Lansing.

Photo: Tim Polk

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Our Mission Statement

ABATE of Michigan Inc. is a non-profit organization dedicated to preserving motorcyclist rights, promoting safe operating practices and raising motorist's awareness of motorcycles in Michigan.

Vision: ABATE of Michigan Inc. will work diligently to increase the penalties to anyone who injures or causes a fatality to a motorcyclist or their passenger and will work with other organizations in order to preserve the universal right to a safe, unrestricted motorcycling environment on a state and national level.

ABATE of Michigan, Inc. will expand into other areas, grow in membership and work with other organizations.

ABATE is a non-profit organization dedicated to preserving the overall rights and promoting the safe operating practices of all Michigan motorcyclists.

From the Prez:

Pizza & Pop turned out to be a good event. Things change in Lansing. The Governor called a special meeting at 11:00 am to present the budget. At that time we had a lot of pizza of choice on the table and no representatives or staff in the room. We had a lot of ABATE members there and as soon as the governor was done we had a lot of legislators there in the Mackinaw room. At 1 point, there was no empty tables. We made good contact and twisted several arms and got plenty of hugs. It was a good team effort and I want to Thank all those members who attended. Make no mistake, it was a good start to a new 2 year term. We need to follow it up with letters, phone calls, and visits to the capital. We must influence the chairs of the committees to insure we keep our freedom of choice.

Freedom of the road takes NEW meaning as they TALK about TOLL roads in Michigan. It's more than talk. They have a plan. An outline which you can watch on Senate TV. Senate TV, what the heck is that? That is a communication tool that they record the hearing and testimony. Folks, we are living in the automobile capital of the world and they want to TAX our driving. Their plan won't have toll booths. They will track your plate and send you a bill. Then if you forgot to pay Mother Michigan they will in pound your vehicle and put you in jail. It's 2023, if you don't believe me look it up on Senate Hearing of the Transportation Committee on Tuesday, February 7, 2023. Big Brother will be watching YOU on the Road.

Spring is coming. Motorcycle Safety class schedules are out. Registration for classes should be open at all sites. Unendorsed Riders were up after COVID. If you are pulled over and do not have an endorsement your motorcycle can and could be to in pounded. Take the test or take the class



The Prez Report



Vince Consiglio

and get LEGAL. Looking for experienced riders to become Coaches. Applications are available on our web site. (hopefully by the time you read this). This will be my 45 year of teaching motorcycle safety. When I am teaching a motorcycle class and it's not FUN then it's time for me to hang it up!!

Looking forward to Spring. Call or write your representative and senator. "Freedom is not FREE." Hope to see you in Lansing June 7th.

Ride Safe and FREE,
Vince

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Sherri Lecurgo - 734 693-0080

**Deadline: August 10th to be in
the drawing**

Here we are in February already! Can Spring not be far behind? The Spring Swap meets are starting to pop up like crocuses. We will be riding again before you know it.

The Seminar went well and is always a good time. Pam works very hard every year to pull this off without any glitches so if you see her, tell her you appreciate all of her hard work.,

Leroy Cuykendall was voted Member of the Year by the Membership. Two new Board members were elected: Vern Shock and Dave Woody Berg.

Bike Raffle tickets are now available from Sherri, or your RC, or from Eric, the State Secretary. Please return your Bike Raffle money to Sherri. If you do send the money to me, try and keep it separate from any other money you might send. I will make sure all Bike Raffle money gets to Sherri. If you were at the Seminar, you know that Field Meet tickets are now available. Information is on the website and in the Rider. If you have any questions, you can call me for info. If you want to pay for your Field Meet tickets with a debit or credit card, you can call Eric at 269-435-2058 Just so you know, I can't make your campground reservations. You will need to contact the campground to do that.

With a whole new crop of Freshman politicians in Lansing, we have some work to do. We need to make them aware of motorcycle issues that are important to us. The best way to get to know your Rep is thru a personal visit. If you can't do that, shoot them an email. A lot of them have no clue about motorcycles or the issues we face. Let them know we are people too, with jobs and families. Educate them about our insurance problem, road issues, distracted drivers, profiling, and anything else that is related.

The news for this month: NHTSA was awarded federal money in the 1.7 trillion-dollar omnibus spending measure in which NHTSA might encourage states to indulge in motorcycle profiling. Rep Susie Lee from Nevada has asked for an explanation on how this money will be used.

The Mongols get to keep their trademarked patch after a recent court ruling after several years in a court battle.

Harley Davidson will be going all electric in the future. No firm date has been given but CEO Jochen Zeitz has said it is the next logical step for the Motor Company. Several major car brands will be all electric by 2030.

Secretary's Report Eric Eads



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Meanwhile in Wyoming there is a proposed Bill that would ban electric vehicle sales by 3035. Wyoming says electric vehicles will destroy the states petroleum driven economy. Meanwhile, 15 other states have moved to ban gas powered vehicle sales by 2035.

Legendary dare devil Robbie Knievel, son of Evel Knievel, died of cancer at the age of 60 on 1-13-2023. He performed more than 350 jumps during his 30-year career.

As I write this article in the first week of February, the Transportation Committee in the Capitol is doing a study on possibly implementing a toll system on the interstate highways in Michigan. We already pay the 6th highest gas tax in the country and have the worst roads in the country according to various surveys, Just another way of fleecing the taxpayer of their hard-earned money. Of course, if this passes it will affect the working class, lower class, and retired folks the most. Everyday people struggling week to week to make ends meet. I guess the government needs our money more than we do.

Awareness donations came from Martin Yoder and Susan Hall. Chuck Cross became a Life Member.

Ride defensively.

Have you moved recently??
Do you have new contact info??
Don't forget to let the ABATE State Secretary know so we can keep your records up to date and you can continue to receive your monthly Michigan Rider and other important info.
Send your updated info to:

**ABATE of Michigan State Secretary
Eric Eads**

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 Bikes, Parts, Leather, Food, Beer,
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 Admission \$10/adult 10 AM - 4 PM
 Wings Event Center
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June 9, 10, 11



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By-Law Proposals – 2023

Article IX

Currently reads:

7. All regions must submit the region treasurer's name and bank account information to the Operations Officer. Regions Shall have only one checking account. Regions shall not have or invest in savings accounts, certificates of deposit, mutual funds, or any other investment programs.

Changed to:

All Regions must submit the region treasurer's name and bank account information to the State Treasurer. Regions shall have only one checking account. Regions shall not have or invest in savings accounts, certificates of deposit, mutual funds, or any other investment programs unless authorized by the State Treasurer.

Article IX

Currently reads:

4. Regions are to submit a treasury report each month to the ABATE of Michigan Inc. State Treasurer. Members may use their own Regional logo or design on their regional event clothing. Members or regions may not reproduce the trademarked logo for ABATE of Michigan with out the consent of the Board. They may have a small Regional patch that may not be worn on their back. The only large patch with ABATE of Michigan's name on it must be purchased from ABATE State Products person or Purchasing Agent. This will ensure that the ABATE of Michigan logo is protected and will be the same for all members.

Add:

4. Only State Products can make and sell product at State Events with the State Events name included, this includes the Seminar or Field Meet.

Full 2023 ByLaws with Amendment & Change.
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Hello ABATE of Michigan Brothers and Sisters,

As you may already know, my name is Leroy Cuykendall III, A.K.A BigSexy and I am the new State Awareness Education Representative.

I just want to let everyone know that if you need anything for classes, or help with awareness, I am available to assist in any way I can.

If anyone is interested in becoming an instructor for driver's ed courses, please reach to me.

We are also looking for individuals who want to become trainers for endorsement courses.

Please feel free to reach out to me at bigsexy1665@hotmail.com

I hope to hear from you soon!

ABATE yard signs can be purchased using the
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Name/Business _____

Membership ID _____ Phone No.: _____

Address _____

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Pizza & Pop
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Region 5 Bowling

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the first Sunday at 12:30
at the Elkhorn bar

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Bar and Grill
304 Salzburg Ave
Bay City, MI 48706
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Second Saturday/month

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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
2nd
Saturday 4PM at Chizzies
Main St. Carsonville

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the month at 3
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Elwell
Sep, Nov, Jan, Mar, May
July
Evergreen Tavern in
Hemlock
Oct, Dec, Feb, Apr, Jun,
Aug

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

Total Sports Production
drive Harrison
Township next to (I 94)
we start at 7:00 pm.

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Post 322

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2460 Blazer Rd.
Maybee 48159

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7:00pm
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6665 Highland Road
Waterford 48327

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REGION REPORTS



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REGION 1 - Alpha RC - Rick Herkimer

January 28, 2023:

Very short meeting, as only 4 members in attendance.

Marsha brought the information she received from the Motorcycle Riders Foundation; they sent us our sustaining membership letter, certificate and patch for Region 1's 25 years of sustaining membership.

No old business.

New business – next meeting is April 22nd at 1:00 CST at the Alpha Brewery.

Until next time ~ ~ Marsha and Region 1.

REGION 3 - Antrim, Kalkaska, Wexford, Benzie, Manistee, Grand Traverse, Leelanau Missaukee

RC - Dave "Woody" Berg

Meeting was called to order at 18:35 hrs by Woody.

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

No minutes as Mark was absent.

Treasurers report was presented by Dawn. Motion

to approve by Ann Marie, second by Gina B. Discussed. Motion carried.

Currently our new LO is Van Dunson. He reported that there is work being done on bill 4809 to correct the errors made previously. The helmet law takes constant work and effort. Due to the redistrict there are 51 new reps state wide and 8 in our area. Please email our reps and let them know your feelings on the motorcycle issues. They will be working on lane filtering. When you post on social media keep your post positive. MRF is working on the autonomous vehicles and how it will affect motorcycles. Support MRF.

Woody stated that the Pizza and pop lunch in Lansing is on the 8th of February.

Woody stated that the seminar was awesome and he was elected to the State Board as a trustee and that he is the rep for MRF.

Aaron and Sara absent.

Karen reported that Kalkaska County Road Commission was very positive and she recommends putting in 4

posts in Kalkaska county for signs. She also will be going to Antrim County for communication with them regarding putting up signs in their county on the county roads. The ride will end at the Nest in Bellaire.

Gina B. was able to get challenge coins at the seminar and nothing else is new.

Our Membership Coordinator was absent.

T-shirt designs need to be turned in at the March meeting and get the sponsors turned in as well.

Woody stated that there has been an issue with confirming the bands and vendors for the summer party, therefore we are in need of both. A motion was made that we get the band from the Christmas party. This motion had a second followed by discussion. Motion carried. We are still on the look for food vendors.

We are still working on sponsors for our bike nights at the Blue Pelican starting May 17, 2023.

Karen and Gina announced that they have gone to Fallen Timbers in Benzie County and there will be another Region 3 bike night there on Monday nights starting on May 22, 2023. They will start at 18:30 hrs and be every Monday thru August. There will be games and good fun. Come out and join us. Karen brought some game parts for Paul to work on. He graciously accepted.

Elections took place and at the current time everyone is the same except for our Treasurer. Our new Treasurer is Ann

Marie Dunson. A big thank you to Dawn
Keyes for all her years as our Treasurer.

Motion was made by Karen second by Denise
to adjourn. No discussion needed.

Meeting adjourned.

**REGION 4 - Otsego, Montmorency, Alpena,
Presque Isle, Cheboygan, Emmet, Charlevoix
RC - Katie Showalter**

No report this month

REGION 5

RC - Dan "Tiny" Patterson

Meeting opened with Pledge and a moment
of silence. Due to circumstances Beyond our
control March's meeting will be held at 7 Mile
Inn on March 5 at 1pm.

Membership Bash is coming up we need
volunteers for committees if interested please
contact Jerry "Joker" Showers @231-578-
2454. We are collecting for the Veterans pantry
in muskegon a list of suggested donations is
available upon request these donations can be
brought to meetings or contact Larry "BamBam"
Peters @ 231-769-3185 for more information.
Please remember March meeting will be at 7
Mile Inn.

**REGION 6 - Bay, Arenac, Midland, Gladwin
Counties**

RC - Merry Gerrett

Good morning Abate land. Went to pizza and
pop today in Lansing. We had a great group of
folks there and everyone worked hard getting
our messages out Our LO worked the room
like a professional. I was pretty darn proud I
want to thank region 3 for loaning me their RC
Woody for being a dang good chauffeur for this
Miss Daisy.

Field meet tickets get them now

Bike tickets get them soon

Members bring them down

Ideas bring it

Our region will welcome them.

For your information we came in seventh in the
state for donations

Fourth in the state for bike tickets sold. I'm very
proud of you all

We have one heck of a region

Jerry, Randi and MJ let's get this challenge
going. Who will win the free weekend for the
field meet. Jerry has won the last couple years
thank you so much but I think Steph and Larry
or maybe Desi and Teresa could beat him.

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Randi and Doug came close. Let's do this
We r still offering prayers to Troy and Candice,
and Rod and Ruth if you guys need anything let
us all know. We will be there for you all
Hope to see you all at our meetings or events. If
you need more info anytime just give a shout.
Till then hope the sun is shining and the rides
will begin

Till next month

Peace

Merry.

**REGION 7 - Huron, Tuscola and Sanilac
Counties**

RC - Tim Polk

Region 7 Meeting Minutes, Feb. 5, 2023

Meeting was called to order at 2 PM,
with the Pledge, Prayer and a Moment of
Silence for our Troops. Past, present, home and
away, all present participated.

The Secretary Report was given
by Gentleman Jim with no additions or
corrections, so the minutes will stand as read.

Treasurers report was given by Shelby
with expenses and income reported, including
what was made at seminar. No additions or
corrections were made, so report stands as read.

Awareness report was given by Marlene,
who is waiting for more opportunities to teach
more classes!

Legislatively, we had guests today.
Representative Greg Alexander was here to
give us an update on what he's been up to
in Lansing. Also, Cole Wood was here from
Lisa McClain's office and gave us an update
on what Lisa has been working on and what
she's accomplished. Butch gave us his report
saying that the Democrats are licking their
chops, with everything from State Pension tax,
discrimination against Firearms manufactures
and even Toll Roads!!! What could possibly be
next. Our "Lovely" Governor has claimed that
it is "Pat Back" time!

Old Business: Passbook meetings are
continuing, with more stops being added to
the Book. All stops will be turned into the
printer by the end of the month! The seminar
went very well with lots of information and
knowledge. I would love to see more people
attend the break-out sessions, to learn and use
the knowledge that we receive, to help promote
our organization and what we do!!

New Business: Pop & Pizza will be over
when you read this, but it was a GREAT turn-
out with a lot of good conversations between
members and their Reps. And Senators. Greg

Alexander, there are there and our friend Ruth Johnson was there too, not to mention a LOT of our other Reps and Senators!! February 18th is our Triathlon at Chizzies in Carsonville. It IS a bring a dish to pass event!! It's a GREAT time for everyone! I've even done the events 3 or 4 times in a day!! Fun, Fun, Fun!! The MRF Spaghetti Dinner and auction will be on March 25th at Farmers Tavern in Ruth, MI. Dinners will start at 3PM and the auction starts at 6PM. Our Dillinger Ride will be on May 20th, with sign up starting at 10 am., meat will be provided by Lewisville Smoke and members are asked to make the sides and desserts. Still looking for someone to handle Cards & Flowers for members who are sick, hospitalized or deceased. Please consider helping your region! We did Brian's Challenge with a GREAT response! Brian would be proud!

Motion by Marlene to adjourn, second by Jan, motion carried at 3:15 PM

I would like to thank Greg Alexander and Cole Wood for taking the time to come to our meeting and keeping us informed plus listening to all of our concerns, worries and learning from us as well as us from them! Elected officials are always welcome at our meetings! I hope to get Matt Bierlein, Phil Green, Dan Lauwers and Kevin Daily to a meeting soon!! Wishing you a GREAT month and don't forget to start checking your bike for road worthiness! Be safe out there!! Tim.

REGION 8 - Allegan, Barry, Kent, Ottawa Counties
RC - Robert "X" Meloche
No report this month

REGION 9 - Ingham, Eaton, Clinton & Ionia Counties
RC - Nick Henry

It's looking like spring may be coming early and May is not too far away. If anybody needs a Look Twice yard sign I have them, contact me at abateofmich.region9@gmail.com.

I have renewed our membership to Motorcycle Riders Foundation for another year. Our region has been a sustaining member of the MRF for 20 years, with a little lock we will continue this very important support.

I was able to attend the seminar this year and came away with some ideas for the coming summer events. I was given Raffle tickets for the Abate motorcycle and I need to have region 9 events where I can set up and sell them. Contact me if you know of any events where I can sell some tickets, and sign up some members, maybe sell some products and yard signs .

I attended the POP and Pizza party last week, it was well attended by both ABATE members and legislators and their staff. We need to make contact with our legislators if we want to get anything done. I would like to have a better insurance situation of the upcoming riding season, also I see that state legislators are again considering toll roads in Michigan, Having experienced toll roads in other states, I'm not a big fan.

Michigan ABATE regions have lots of events planned. If you want to take a ride and spend an enjoyable day or two I would encourage you to attend

all that you can. Help ABATE to protect your right to ride the way you want.
Nick
Region 9 coordinator.

REGION 10 - Gratiot & Saginaw Counties
RC - Vern Shock

ABATE Region 10 membership meeting, February 5, 2023
Meeting called to order at 3:14pm.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Legislative report was given. Pizza and Pop will be February 8th.

Financial Report was given. Update on the Cupid's Crawl event in Alma, February 11th. The Region is entertaining the possibility of hosting the Bike Raffle drawing location in the future.

Awareness packages will be put together to distribute to driver education courses in the area.

Considering hosting a family picnic in late summer.

Motion to purchase first aid kits to use during group rides and events. Motion passed.

March's meeting will be on the 5th, 3pm at Ghost Town, Elwell.

Meeting adjourned 4:02pm.
Respectfully Submitted,
Debra Townsend, Secretary.

REGION 11 - Lapeer, Macomb, St. Clair Counties
RC- Richard "Magilla" Snooks
No report this month

REGION 12 - Berrien, Cass, Van Buren, St. Joseph & Kalamazoo

RC - Dan Dan

Region 12 February meeting minutes

Meeting was called to order by Dan Eby & pledge of allegiance was lead by Gary Gerow.

We talked about having a multi-region meeting with 13 which has been postponed to a later time (to be discussed). Our next meeting will be March 5th 1:00 at THE HARVEY HOUSE in Constantine (125 W. Water St., Constantine, MI 49042)

We put together a committee for the bike raffle event to organize entertainment, camping, security, and admission. We will be meeting in a couple weeks. There are 25 power campsites (a currently unknown number of those sites will be reserved for event staff) and there is more than enough rustic camping. There is a small shower house and a dump station. Entry fee is still being discussed. More info to come next month.

MRF report (Bear) In December HR 366 (Anti-Profiling bill) after 6 years finally passed the house of representatives. The support for this bill by bikers and their organizations finally got enough sponsors to pass this bill. This now joins the house & senate which passed their version of Anti-Profiling in 2018. Also 5 states have Anti-Profiling laws. Washington, Maryland, Louisiana, Idaho, New Hampshire.

The same week senate & house passed a 1.7 trillion dollar spending bill. Within the 4,155 pages is a request by congress to learn more about profiling. In The funding section of the bill for the department of transportation language was included that states; the committee is concerned that NHSTA may be conducting activities that encourage states to adopt legislation, regulation, or other policies that unjustly profile motorcyclists. The committee directs NHSTA to report to the house & senate appropriations on the extent to which the agency works with states on motorcycle riders policies within 120 days of enactment of the act.

Bikers inside the beltway is coming up, may 15-16. If you are able to go make plans soon.
Quote of the month: Ambrose Bierce on politics – politics; noun, A strife of interests masquerading as a contest of principles. The conduct of public affairs for private advantage.

This year's annual poker run (June 17) will be a memorial run for Terry Marcum our amazing friend and previous RC who is greatly missed. (Flyer will be out soon).
We will have a booth at the kalamazoo

motorcycle swap meet at wings stadium (3600 Vanrick Dr. Kalamazoo MI 49001) come out and see us! Joy Gerow has some really nice "metal" Awareness signs for sale check them out.

And don't forget our annual bowling event on March 25th, @ 1:pm (South Lanes Bowling Alley) see flyer in rider bring some friends.

PUT THOSE VACATION SLIPS IN FOR THE FREEDOM RALLY MAY 31ST!!!

See ya next month: Dan Dan.

REGION 13

RC - Tom "Jinx" Rahn

No report this month

REGION 14 - Washtenaw and Livingston Counties

RC - Shiny Bob

Date: January 22, 2023

Meeting called to order at 4:12pm

Shiny Bob: Pledge of Allegiance lead by Eric and moment of silence for personal intentions spoken and unspoken.

Amos/Secretary report:

December's meeting minutes submitted to Silla February 12.

Seminar Comments:

It was an honor to receive the Member of the Year Award for Region 14 and covering the cost of my room Saturday night. Thank you so much!

We enjoyed the seminar and learned a few things in the sessions and it's always great to see members and friends from other regions.

Chery and I Attended Merri's class on how to plan region events and she provided materials and tips on how to put on successful events. I will work on putting together a Gmail account for communications to members.

Members approved event flyer designs and Amos will email them to Sally.

Ann completed our region 14 2023 calendar.

January Birthday: Gary Bourdeau

Motion to accept secretaries report: Dawn

Second Motion: Zack

Sally/Treasurer's report:

Sally presented her report to members.

Shout out to Bob, Ann, and Kenny for their help with Products at the seminar.

Motion to accept Treasurer's report: Eric

Second Motion: Zack

Shiny Bob:

Many thanks to region 15 and 18 for providing food at the seminar!
Bike raffle tickets are now available for members to sell. Members are encouraged to pick up 10 packs and let's sell some tickets!
March 4th will be a combined region meeting with Jinx at the Veterans Motorcycle Club.
The yearly Freedom Rally is June 7th and Bob mentioned to members that parking will not be allowed around the capital.
Our Field Meet is June 9th – 11th. See Amos for tickets.
Ann Tobian/Legislative/Media/Road Captain Report
Ann reviewed a recent MRF report on autonomous vehicles, combustible engines and electric vehicles and explained to members the potential negative impacts these areas pose to motorcyclists.
Ann mentioned, “we have 51 new legislators in Michigan as a result of the recent elections.”
Ann presented the Road Captain ‘Rules of the Road’ to members in preparation for this year’s riding season.
Dawn/Awareness Report:
No report this month.
New Members / Guests:
Kenny joined our region – Thank you for giving a shit!
Next Meeting
February 26th at 4pm
50/50 Drawing:
Kenny
Dollar Draw:
Dawn
Meeting closed: 5:10pm
Motion to accept: Jesse
Second Motion: Kenny
Respectfully submitted b:
Amy (Amos) Bachorek Region 14 Secretary

REGION 15 - Wayne County RC - Albert Ouellette

January 22, 2023
Meeting started with the Pledge of Allegiance
Treasurer report given with income and expenses since last meeting.
Discussion on money collected from Raffle items at Seminar.
Pam suggested a money trail to confirm what remains after expenses.
-Reminder of Pizza and Pop February 8, 10:30 in Lansing. (At time of submission event has already happened).
Pam told us the date of the 2023 Field Meet June 9, 10, 11; she brought printed flyers to handout. Working on with the details with the FM Event committee.
If you pick up Bike Raffle tickets, there is a printed flyer to go with it to help you sell, sell, and sell.
Axe Throwing cancelled, due to lack of participants.
Chili Cook-off March 10 at Legion Hall, see flyer in rider.
Bowling April 15, see flyer in rider.
Legislative – Still working on insurance issue, rumors of helmet law being re-introduced.
Bert spoke on the Seminar Breakout session with Michigan Representative Jamie Thompson.
Pam made a motion to close, Stacey Second. All members present accepted.

REGION 16 - Crawford, Oscoda, Alcona, Iosco, Ogemaw, and Roscommon Counties

RC- Jesse Gordy
No report this month

REGION 18 - Monroe, Lenawee Counties

RC - Dan "Treeman" Conner
Hello region 18 members. Hopefully March will bring some spring weather. Welcome to our new members Michelle Wagoner and Jason Winter thanks for giving a SHIT!!
Happy birthday to shiny Bob 3/4, Cindy Diaz 3/9 and Debbie Yensch 3/10. Get your bike tickets from Karen and Dreama has gun tickets for our aces and eights party remember the tickets help pay for our party and for all things the state needs to pay for. Don't forget this year's field meet is June 9th 10th and 11th so if you need tickets see Michele get your tickets before May 31st couples are \$25 a couple single tickets are \$15 per person after May 31st you'll pay \$25 a person at the door. Lady T is working on our awareness party May 5th and 6th we will need donations for the auctions she is working on getting a band lined up camping all weekend, bike blessing. Treeman is working on getting the run together. A fun time for all. We need people to sign up to work the fair so see Leroy as soon as possible. Need people to sell bike and gun tickets at the festivals the flea markets bike nights so see Sherry and Dreama to sign up to help out. Things going on at our neighboring regions. Region 14 has CMA bowling on 3/18, their awareness run is 5/20, And their bike show is 6/17. Region 15 has their chili cook off on 3/10, And they're bowling night is 4/15. The military veterans at the veterans Hall has open house the 1st & 3rd Friday of each month starting at 7:00 p.m. so come out and support them . All for now get your bikes

turned up hopefully spring will be here soon.
Michele.

REGION 19 Oakland County

RC - Pete Kazels

Agenda, ABATE Region 19 Meeting

7 February 2023

Members gather at 6 for dinner. The meeting begins at 7:00 p.m.

1. Welcome and purchase of 50/50 tickets.
2. Pledge of Allegiance.
3. General introductory comments:
 - While Pete is out of the country it's important to keep Region 19 going.
4. Introductions:
 - Members and officers presiding at the meeting
 - Members attending
 - New attendees
5. ABATE Bike Raffle Tickets:
 - Take some, buy some, sell some!
 - Request from Region 18 to sell Bike Raffle tickets at Novi Expo Center Swap meet in March.
6. Legislative Officer's Report:
 - Recent Activities in Lansing
 - The new Legislative Session...what's the outlook?
 - List of Oakland County Reps and Senators with their district numbers and Lansing office phone numbers
 - Legislative events coming up now and in the months ahead.
7. Secretary's Report:
8. Treasurer's Report:
9. Awareness Officer's Report:
10. AMA/MRF Report:
11. Recaps:
12. 50/50 drawing:
13. Next Meeting date and time:
14. Adjournment:

REGION 20

RC - Mark Berger

No report this month

REGION 21 - Clair, Isabella, Mescosta, Montcalm & Osceola Counties

RC - Brenda Crittenden

No report this month

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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.

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March 25th, 2023 1 pm

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Join us again for some indoor fun!!!
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\$20 per person gets you bowling, shoe rental, two slices of pizza and pop.

APRIL 15, 2023

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Awareness Ride

Saturday May 20, 2023

Start: City Diner 220 W. Michigan Ave Saline

10am Breakfast on your own

KSU @ 11:30am

2 Stops - Ends @ American Legion 320 Michigan Ave. Saline

\$15.00 Donation per Person and includes Meal @ End

Expect to be back around 5pm and eat @ 6pm

50/50 and Chinese Auction

Info: Ann 734-790-7927 Sponsor: ABATE of Michigan Region 14

ABATE of MICHIGAN

REGION 7

Rest in Peace Ride



June 3, 2023

Starts at Noon from

Evergreen Park

Blessing of Bikes

Ride in Memory of past Region 7 Members

Ride returns to Evergreen park for our
monthly meeting.

Hot Dogs & Water Provided

For info contact Danny: 989-325-1432



Bike Show

Saturday June 17, 2023

Saline American Legion 320 W. Michigan Ave Saline

Noon to 4pm

\$10.00 Bike Entry Fee All Makes Models Welcome

Trophies and Raffle Prize Baskets

Including: Flea Market & Swap Meet

\$10.00 Table Rental

Info: Shiny Bob 734-417-1369

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Just Because Run

Saturday August 19, 2023

Start: Saline American Legion 320 W. Michigan Ave Saline

1st Bike Out @ Noon

Last Bike In @ 5pm

3 Stops - Ends @ Saline American Legion

\$10.00 Donation per Person

50/50 and Chinese Auction

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MOTORCYCLE SAFETY 2023 REGIONAL SCHEDULE

BASIC RIDER COURSE (BRC) - Web Enhanced | BEGINNING RIDERS

This course is designed for someone who has little or no experience operating a motorcycle, and it focuses on the development of basic riding skills: clutch and throttle coordination, straight-line riding, braking, turning, and shifting. Training motorcycles are provided. Privately owned motorcycles are **NOT** permitted. The course also provides a fast track to motorcycle endorsement (CY); successful completion results in a certificate that waives the written knowledge test and riding-skill test, which would otherwise be administered by the Secretary of State and a third-party testing agency, respectively.

Instruction consists of approximately 17 total hours – 5 hours of online preparation to be completed prior to your class start date and 12 hours of hands-on training, activities, evaluation, and testing.

Standard weekend students need to be available, but not necessarily on-site, for all of Saturday and Sunday. Students are placed into groups during classroom instruction on Friday; those in Group A will ride in the morning, and those in Group B will ride in the afternoon. While we do our best to accommodate student schedules, we cannot guarantee placement into either specified group. Please reserve any requests for your instructor on Friday.

Prerequisites

- Ability to ride a bicycle.
- Valid email address on file with your chosen community college. Must complete the online eCourse prior to your class start date and bring the completion certificate to the first class session. The link to the eCourse will be distributed via email at least one week prior to the start date of your class. If you have not received an email by this time, you must contact the community college at which you registered.

BASIC RIDER COURSE 2 (BRC2) | EXPERIENCED RIDERS

This course is designed mainly for experienced but unendorsed motorcyclists; however, endorsed motorcyclists also use this course to refresh their skills. Topics include braking, countersteering, turning, speed judgment, and other techniques necessary for the experienced rider to operate a motorcycle skillfully and safely. **Students must provide their own motorcycle.** Mopeds are welcome. Three-wheeled motorcycles are **NOT** permitted. Sharing is **NOT** permitted. The motorcycle must be titled, registered, and insured, and it must display a valid license plate. Students must provide proof of insurance, and the motorcycle must pass a safety inspection. The course also provides a fast track to motorcycle endorsement (CY); successful completion results in a certificate that waives the written knowledge test and riding-skill test, which would otherwise be administered by the Secretary of State and a third-party testing agency, respectively.

Prerequisites

- Prior motorcycle experience.
- Ownership of a motorcycle that is titled, registered, and insured.
- Valid email address on file with your chosen community college.

ADVANCED RIDER COURSE (ARC) | EXPERIENCED, ENDORSED RIDERS

This course is designed for experienced, endorsed motorcyclists to enhance their basic skills and help with personal risk assessment. Interactive classroom activities to improve perception and hazard awareness are combined with range exercises that enhance both basic skills and crash-avoidance skills. You will also learn how to improve braking and cornering finesse. This is the public version of the Military SportBike RiderCourse. **Students must provide their own motorcycle.** Mopeds are **NOT** permitted. Three-wheeled motorcycles are **NOT** permitted. Sharing is **NOT** permitted. The motorcycle must be titled, registered, and insured, and it must display a valid license plate. Students must provide proof of insurance, and the motorcycle must pass a safety inspection.

Prerequisites

- Motorcycle endorsement.
- Ownership of a motorcycle that is titled, registered, and insured.
- Considerable street-riding miles.
- Valid email address on file with your chosen community college.

CLASS SCHEDULES:

Basic RiderCourse (BRC) - Web Enhanced | Beginning Riders | Standard Weekend | Three Days | Fri. 6pm-6pm; Sat. 8am-6pm; Sun. 8am-4pm
Basic RiderCourse (BRC) - Web Enhanced | Beginning Riders | Accelerated Weekend | Two Days | Sat. 3pm-6pm; Sun. 8am-5pm
Basic RiderCourse (BRC) - Web Enhanced | Beginning Riders | Weekday | Three Days | Mon. 8am-12pm; Tue. 8am-12pm; Wed. 8am-12pm
Basic RiderCourse (BRC) - Web Enhanced | Beginning Riders | Weeknight | Three Days | Mon. 6pm-9pm; Tue. 5pm-8pm; Wed. 6pm-9pm
Basic RiderCourse 2 (BRC2) | Experienced Riders | Standard | One Day | 9am-6pm
Advanced RiderCourse (ARC) | Experienced, Endorsed Riders | Standard | One Day | 9am-5pm
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Macomb Community College – Center Campus 14475 Garfield Road, Clinton Township, MI 48038	Parking Lot 2 Parking Lot 3	www.mccomb.edu (588) 445-7905
Basic RiderCourse (BRC) - Web Enhanced	April 21, 22, 23	April 20, 29, 30
Beginning Riders Standard Weekend:	June 2, 3, 4	June 9, 10, 11
	July 14, 15, 16	July 21, 22, 23
	August 18, 19, 20	August 25, 26, 27
Basic RiderCourse 2 (BRC2) Experienced Riders Standard:	May 13	June 17
		July 29
Monroe County Community College – Main Campus 1555 South Raisinville Road, Monroe, MI 48161	Parking Lot 2	www.monroccc.edu (734) 384-8127
Basic RiderCourse (BRC) - Web Enhanced	July 7, 8, 9	July 14, 16, 18
Beginning Riders Standard Weekend:		July 28, 29, 30
Basic RiderCourse 2 (BRC2) Experienced Riders Standard:	June 17	
Oakland Community College – Auburn Hills Campus 2900 Featherstone Road, Auburn Hills, MI 48328	Parking Lot 53	www.oaklandcc.edu (248) 252-4187
Basic RiderCourse (BRC) - Web Enhanced	April 21, 22, 23	April 28, 29, 30
Beginning Riders Standard Weekend:	June 2, 3, 4	June 9, 10, 11
		June 20, 24, 25
Basic RiderCourse 2 (BRC2) Experienced Riders Standard:	May 13	June 17
Schoolcraft College – Belle Isle Park 88 Pleasant Drive, Detroit, MI 48227	Memorial Fountain Parking Lot	www.schoolcraft.edu/motorcycle (734) 462-4448
Basic RiderCourse (BRC) - Web Enhanced	July 24, 25, 26	July 31, August 1, 2
Beginning Riders Weekday:		
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Beginning Riders Weeknight:		
Schoolcraft College – Mfg & Engineering Center 13001 Motorist Road, Livonia, MI 48150	PSTC Driving Pad	www.schoolcraft.edu/motorcycle (734) 462-4448
Basic RiderCourse (BRC) - Web Enhanced	March 18, 19	March 25, 26
Beginning Riders Accelerated Weekend:		April 1, 2
		May 6, 7
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		May 13
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Basic RiderCourse (BRC) - Web Enhanced	July 28, 29, 30	August 4, 5, 6
Beginning Riders Standard Weekend:		August 11, 12, 13
Wayne County Community College – Downriver Campus 2100 Northline Road, Taylor, MI 48160	North Parking Lot	www.wccccc.edu (313) 495-2704
Basic RiderCourse (BRC) - Web Enhanced	May 5, 7	May 19, 20, 21
Beginning Riders Standard Weekend:		June 2, 3, 4
		June 9, 10, 11

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 Basic RiderCourse (BRC) - Web Enhanced | Beginning Riders | Weeknight | Three Days | Mon: 5pm-9pm, Tue: 5pm-9pm, Wed: 6pm-9pm
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MRF is highlighted in BLUE

State Events are highlighted in ORANGE

Bike Nights are highlighted in GREY

Date	Region	Region Events	Contact
		Bike Nights	
May 17	Reg 3	Blue Pelican - Central Lake May 17 - Aug 30	
		Events	
Mar 10	Reg 15	Chili Cook-Off - American Legion Post 200 11800 Michael St. Taylor, Mi. 48180	Bert: 313 680-4080
Mar 25	Reg 7	MRF Spaghetti Dinner - Farmers Tavern, Ruth	Tim: 989 670-9976
Mar 25	Reg 12	Annual Bowling Event - South Lanes Bowling Alley 1147 West Broadway St. Three Rivers 49093	
Apr 15	Reg 15	Bowling for Motorcyclist's Rights	Bert: 313 680-4080
May 5 - 6	Reg 18	Awareness Party	Lady T: 313 290-3802
May 5 - 6	Reg 18	Flea Market	Nikki: 734 299-0924
May 6	Reg 5	Membership Bash	Jerry: 231 578-2454
May 13	Reg 7	Awareness Ride & Meeting - Chizzies, Carsonville	Marlene: 810 712-1600
May 15 - 16		MRF - Bikers in the Beltway	
May 20	Reg 3	Erik's Memorial Awareness Ride	
May 20	Reg 7	Dillinger Ride - Lewisville Smoke	Tim: 989 670-9976
May 20	Reg 14	Awareness Ride - Saline American Legion 320 Michigan Ave. KSU - 11:30	Ann: 734 790-7927
May 27	Reg 10	Awareness Highland Festival Parade	
May 27 - 28	Reg 18	Memorial Day Run	Lady T: 313 290-3802
May 31		Freedom Rally	Eric: 269 435-2058
June 3	Reg 7	Rest in Peace Ride & Mtg. - Evergreen Park	Danny: 989 325-1432
June 3	Reg 10	Spring Fling	
June 9 - 11		State Field Meet	Pam: 313 30-4888

June 17	Reg 14	Bike Show, Flea Market, Swap Meet - Saline American Legion 320 Michigan Ave. 12 - 4pm	Shiny Bob: 734 417-1369
June 23 - 25	Reg 5	Spring Rodeo	Jerry: 231 578-2454
June 25	Reg 8	Bikers at the Ballpark - LMCU Ballpark in Comstock Park	
July 8	Reg 7	Scout & Shoot & Meeting - Farmers Tavern, Ruth	Marlene: 810 712-1600
July 8	Reg 10	Poker Run	
July 15	Reg 6	Memorial Run	Merry: 734 652-9739
July 19 - 23	Reg 5	Biketime Campground	Jerry: 231 578-2454
July 21 - 23	Reg 3	Summer Bash	
July 28 - 29	Reg 6	Campout at Jerry's	Merry: 734 652-9739
Aug 13	Reg 5	Family Picnic	Jerry: 231 578-2454
Aug 19	Reg 14	Just Because Run - Saline American Legion 320 Michigan Ave. 1st bike out @ noon	Ann: 734 790-7927
Aug 25 - 26	Reg 18	Aces & Eights Party	Dreama: 734 626-1280
Sept 8	Reg 5	Fall Rodeo	Jerry: 231 578-2454
Sept 16	Reg 10	End of Summer Poker Run	
Sept 16	Reg 18	Family Picnic Reg's 14 - 15 & 18	Michele: 734 731-1576
Sept 30		Bike Raffle Drawing at Boot Hill Ranch - Three Rivers	
Oct 7	Reg 5	Toy Run	Jerry: 231 578-2454
Oct 6 - 8	Reg 7	Carved in Stone - Evergreen Park	Tim: 989 670-9976
Oct 14	Reg 18	Color Run/Halloween Party	Lady T: 313 290-3802
Dec 3	Reg 5	Christmas Party	Jerry: 231 578-2454
Dec 9	Reg 7	Christmas Party & Meeting	Marlene: 810 712-1600
Dec 9	Reg 18	Christmas Party/Chili Cook-Off	Michele: 734 731-1576



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