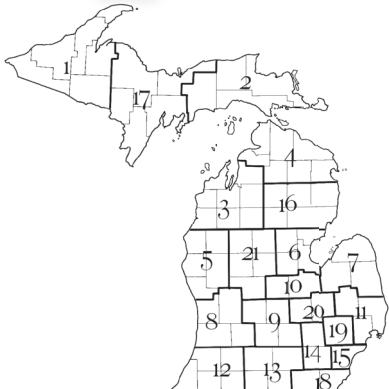




Region Reports



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

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REGION 2 Schoolcraft, Luce, Chippewa, Mackinac Interim RC Mike Amacher 906 430-2620 mamacher1979@gmail.com

Suns out bikes are out we have two members and more signing up. We will be starting to have meetings at the Moose Lodge in St. Ignace starting the 3rd Sunday in June. If anyone would like to join up let me know or talk to one of

Operations Officer Dave “Woody” Berg

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the members we are out in about.

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

Meeting was called to order at 18:29 hrs by Van.

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

Minutes were read by Mark. Motion by Woody to approve, second by Ken. Motion carried.

Treasurers report was given by Ann Marie. Motion to approve by Denise, second by Dave C. Motion carried.

Woody gave the legislative report. The lane filtering bill was sent up for sponsors. Johnson is sponsoring it and looking for co-sponsors. We should hear back about this soon. The Pizza and Pop event is Tuesday May 13 and goes from 10-1 at the House building on Mackinaw Rd. There was an insurance bill and Dondi said it was

junk, so it was shot down. They will keep working till they get it right. MRF has been pretty quiet, they are pushing membership. Get an application from Woody.

Karen reported that Gina B was at the Trout Festival and Woody, Karen, Merry Garrett and Chuck Fisher were at the swap meet in Cadillac. It was a great time in both locations. Woody added they were at the Houghton Lake Blessing of the bikes and there was great representation there.

Gina B reported that she had an abundance of candy from the trout festival left over. They will take it to the swap meet in Midland when they go.

Denise said that she got a list of memberships that have expired. She will look more into that.

Woody states that June 14th the Seven Sons are having a swap meet on the property on 131 and that September 13 they will have their summer party at the same location.

Greg reported that the summer bash will be held July 25-26 at the Interlochen Eagles Campground. He paid ahead for the pavilion and clean up fee. He will submit receipts for reimbursement. There will be 2 bands, 1 on Friday and 1 on Saturday. Greg has paid for the one on Friday. Mary B will be submitting

flyers. There was discussion regarding silent auction and other fund raisers.

Greg has looked into another bike night in Thompsonville at the Laughing Horse on Wednesdays. He has some things covered but needs help with plaques and prizes. Laughing Horse will pay for door prizes. There will be drink and food specials. It was then announced that there was an executive decision to have another bike night at Rapid City Tavern on Wednesday. Woody made a motion to add a little more money to the plaque budget for all the bike nights, second by Gina B. Motion carried. There was discussion regarding whether there would be live music at Rapid City Tavern. They will check into it. We need to look for more bike night sponsors. There will be a meeting at the Rapid City Tavern on May 14th at 18:30 for more on bike nights. They will need help at the Rapid City Tavern bike night.

Road Clean up will be on Wednesday May 21 and if it rains then on Thursday May 22nd. Meet at the old spirit gas station at 18:30.

T shirts have been ordered. If you need more raffle tickets get with Ann Marie.

Help is needed at the Field Meet. Volunteer if you can. A motion was made by Denise to donate towards the band at the field meet, second by Woody. Motion carried.

Dates: Next meeting is June 4th at 6 pm before bike night at Rapid City Tavern
Pizza and Pop is May 13th
Eriks Memorial Awareness Ride May 17th
Field Meet is June 6-8 at Clare County Fairgrounds
Annual Freedom Rally June 11
Region 3 Summer Bash July 25-26
Dysun Ride Aug 1-2

Discussion regarding Eriks Memorial Awareness Ride and Scholarship Fund

Motion to adjourn by Denise, Second by Ken. Motion carried.

REGION 4 - Emmet, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Presque Isle, Otsego, Montmorency, Alpena
RC - Dave Etherton
No report this month.

REGION 5 - Mason, Lake, Oceana, Muskegon, Newaygo
RC - Dan "Tiny" Patterson

Meeting opened with Pledge and moment of silence. Membership Bash was a success new members and lots of fun! There is a Veterans escort to Blessing of the Bikes in Baldwin on May 17, leaving Fruitport Eagles at 1030 am bus loading at noon at Veterans home in Grand Rapids and stopping at Sippy Flats about 130 pm. We will be having a booth at Blessing and need volunteers! We are looking for volunteers for a Veterans Escort to Biketime on July 19 more info to follow and volunteers are needed for Biketime campground! Looking for sponsors for the Fall Rodeo, volunteers are needed as well.

REGION 6 - Gladwin, Arenac, Midland, Bay
RC - Merry Gerrett
No report this month.

REGION 7 - Huron, Tuscola, Sanilac
RC - Tim Polk

ABATE Region 7- Meeting May 4, 2025

The Awareness ride left Evergreen Park at noon and members rode through Tuscola, Huron, and Sanilac counties. Shelby drove behind the bikes with Look Twice Save A Life sign on trailer. It was a windy and cold day but a nice ride. Back at Evergreen park other members had a hot meal for all before our regular meeting.

The meeting called to order at 2:54 pm. Pledge, moment of silence for our troops, and opening prayer by Paul Melcher.

Secretary Report - Read minutes from April 6th meeting - motion to accept minutes as read by Bob B, support Wes N, motion carried.

Treasurers Report - Shelby reported income

and expenses for April. Shelby mailed to Sherri 140 sold bike tickets in April. Motion to accept treasurers report by Parcus, support Bob B, motion carried.

Membership Report
- Shelby still needs an updated list of regional members from Eric Eads.

Awareness Report - Tim and Ice Man attended the local commissioner's meetings in Huron, Tuscola, and Sanilac counties and the City of Bad Axe Council to promote Motorcycle Awareness. Tim and Greg Alexander recorded PSA's that are playing on the local radio stations and did radio interviews with both WLEW and WTVG.

Legislative Report - Butch reported quite in Lansing - no new legislative issues to report. Pizza & Pop is May 13th in Lansing. Freedom Rally is on June 11th. Hope you can make it!

Summer Book Tour Update
- Bob B reported all the books were delivered to all those participating this year. Books are \$15 this year.

Old Business - Born to Be Wild next meeting is June 8th at 2pm with potluck after meeting. Born to Be Wild is Sept 12, 13 & 14th, any vendors who would like a spot at this event contact Tim or Butch.

New Business - On May 31st, Steel Horse Ranch, Caro, Michigan is hosting an event and Representative's Greg Alexander and Phil Green to attend. Dondi

and Leroy will be here also. Event is from 11AM to 5 PM.

June 25th - Moving Veteran's Wall escort. We are meeting at Ray C's in Lapeer, - 11am safety meeting and staging - leave at noon.

I'd like to mention that after the Awareness Ride, I took the sign over to Elkton Motorsports on M 142, east of Elkton. If you stop in there, thank them for having the sign there. He only wants it there for the month of May, so I will be moving it after Memorial Weekend! I will let you know where it goes!

Upcoming Events
May 20-21 Bikers in the Belt Way - Washington DC
June 7th RIP Ride & Meeting - Evergreen Park
July 12th Shoot & Scoot - Farmers Tavern, Ruth

Motion to adjourn by Bob B, support Wes N, motion carried.

I would like to see more members at the Freedom Rally on June 11th! There always seems to be a lot of Reps. and Senators that always ask, "Where's all the Bikes at?" It is time that we have as many bikes there as possible and have the front of the capital covered with bikers and family who want to get this insurance thing straightened out and more! Personally, I would like to see our roads more motorcycle friendly! No more potholes that can cause an accident! Way too many tar snakes! That chips

and seal is dangerous as hell! It is time to speak with your elected officials about our concerns, but please remember to be courteous! Okay, enough for this month, Ride Safe & Ride Often!!
Tim.

REGION 8 - Ottawa, Kent, Allegan, Barry
Interim RC
Josh Winkelstien
517-488-2676
Joshwinkelstein@gmail.com.
No report this month.

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

Hello Region 9 : yesterday looked like spring, today looks like sommer. I just can;t figure out what to wear .LOL. Anyway , bills that are being worked on as I know it are , right to repair, lane filtering, and of course the insurance fix. May is motorcycle awareness month and I have a few signs left if you are in need, we would like to get as many out there as possible. The ABATE of Michigan Field meet is June 6-8 and the Freedom Rally is June 11 I hope you are all ready to ride. Nick
Region 9 R.C.

REGION 10 - Gratiot, Saginaw
RC - Vern Shock
No report this month.

**REGION 11 - Lapeer, St. Clair, Macomb
RC - Arnold Schneider**

Greetings from Region 11.

On April 26, a # of Region 11 members came out to help put up May awareness signs. It was a chilly damp day, but we got the job done.

On April 27 Region 11 had a booth at the Blessing of the Bikes at American Legion Post 4 in Mt Clemens. Turned out to be a great event with hundreds of bikes participating and the weather cooperated!

On May 4 Region 11 had a booth at the Imlay Swap Meet.

Had good conversation with many people at both these events.

The summer tour book is in full swing. Books are available at all participating establishments for \$15.

Herb Rials was our guest speaker at our May monthly meeting at Chicky's. It was a great discussion on how the LO's interact with the state representatives in Lansing.

There is an awareness fundraiser on May 22 at Foxfire Fixins from 3-9pm. This event is a bonus stamp in the summer tour book!

We have our Observation Run on July 13. Flyer is in Michigan Rider and in summer tour book. This is another bonus stamp in the summer tour book.

Flyers for both these events are in the Michigan Rider, Summer Tour Book and Region 11 Facebook pages.

That's it for now!
Everyone continue to ride safe!

Oscar.

**REGION 12 - VanBuren, Kalamazoo,
Berrien, Cass, Joseph
RC - Eric Eads**

Sunday May 4th,
Wendy started with the Pledge of Allegiance.

At the Motorcycle Awareness and Safety Event we gained 4 new members. We had several donations from people to help make next years event a success! Paw Paw Rentals, Tree M. and Holly E., Jeff and Pauletta W., a winner at the event of a 50/50 drawing donated her prize money back to ABATE and Liz, a vendor that day donated 4 shirts to use for door prizes at the June Poker Run. Also Liz will donate \$1 for every shirt she sold that day to the Awareness Event for next year. Thank you to Christina from Bronson "Stop the Bleed" and Geronimo's for teaming up for the day's event!

Thank you for Dondi Vesprini and Aric Nesbitt for speaking at the event. Thank you to our Good Samaritan Award winner, Anthony S. for being there when a biker was down in a time of need.

ABATE of Michigan Pizza and Pop is May 13th at the Capitol Building in Lansing in the Mackinaw Room. It is from 10 am to 1:30 pm. Contact Ed "Bear" S. for any questions 231-907-0710.

The Field Meet is June 6th, 7th, and 8th at Clare County Fairgrounds. Presale tickets are \$30 or \$50 or \$35 and \$60 at the gates. If you have any action items, bring those with you to Merry for the event.

Freedom Rally is June 11th. Bring anyone and everyone! At the Capitol White House 12 pm to 2 pm.

June 21st will be the Poker Run "Terry Marcum Memorial" ride. \$20 per person, starts at Bud's Bar in Schoolcraft and will end at 7660 N 2nd Ave, Kalamazoo with camping and food. See Melissa 269-532-9570 for questions and to give any door prizes for the event as well. Sponsor sheets need to be turned in by the first week in June to Melissa.

Joy with the Treasury Report - Our Region will sent the State a donation for the Field Meet to help with expenses. It was voted and passed with all that were present.

No MRF Report this month.

September 5th and 6th is the Bike Raffle at

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ANNOUNCEMENT!!

The Products store will be open for business Soon.

Thank you for your patience!!

Kim

Clare County Fairgrounds, Harrison, MI. Turn your tickets in to Gary in Region 12 or to Sherri at ABATE of MI Bike Raffle, PO Box 1354, Monroe, MI 48161.

There is a Bike Night in Bangor at the American Legion on Sundays.

We created a Facebook Messenger Chat group to see if people are up for a group ride, going out to the same events, and such. Ask Melissa, Rob, Joylynn or Tracy to be added to the chat.

We drew for a 50/50 drawing and Gary won. We raffled off a Bike Ticket and Melissa won. The incentive drawing would have went to Shontai if she were present.

Dan motioned to close the meeting and Gary seconded it.

Thank you,

Joylynn Wojciehowski.

**REGION 13 - Calhoun, Jackson, Branch, Hillsdale
RC - Dan "Dano" Kenzie**

Hello region 13!

We Had a decent turn out at the meeting. We read the minutes from last month and they were accepted.

Our treasurer Sassy brought us up to speed on the financial end of the region and it was a favorable balance still.

Herb let us know what was going on in Lansing. Rich went with Herb to Lansing to meet with his Reps and said that it was an interesting experience. Some of the things that are on our watch list (and wish list) are stiffer penalties for those who run over bikers and the lane FILTERING. the first one of these two should be a no brainer, but unfortunately it isn't, in some of these cases that we have heard of the person receiving basically a slap on the wrist. No jail, maybe a fine and some community service along with some probation time. Second, lane FILTERING would allow motorcycles to move to the center (between lanes going the same way) or the side of the road at a traffic light so we won't be rear ended. This is NOT lane Splitting, where it would be legal

to pass on the road in between lanes going the same way. On the MRF front Jinx is encouraging EVERYONE to join the MRF if you have not already done so. There is a call to action on the ICE (internal combustion engine) bill so if you haven't already jumped over to the MRF website to fill that out please do it now. It only takes a couple of minutes

Some upcoming events:

FIELD MEET June 6th - 8th

HELMET PROTEST June 11th we will meet up at the gas station on the corner of m-50 and Rives Junction Rd. at 9am and leave for the Meijer in Charlotte at 9:30.

Bike Raffle Sept. 5th - 6th

In Awareness Buttons talked to Bikers Against Bullies and we have a pot for a booth next year at their blessing of the bikes.

Our AC for Calhoun county Rich informed us that the Battle Creek Harley Davidson open house is the 6th and 7th of June, and we asked him to see if there is the possibility of getting a spot for our booth there.

The AC for Hillsdale county brought our Awareness Bike and trailer (it needs a little TLC but I have seen worse on the road.) so we will be taking this with us when we have a booth space.

The Jackson County AC Jinx received great news, and the Jackson county gave us the proclamation on May being motorcycle awareness month.

If you know of a spot that is having a bike night or somewhere we might be able to put a booth to sell signs, memberships and raffle tickets please let me know.

Our Road Capt. Bumper gave a presentation on hand signals and the importance of using them, especially when riding in a pack. Yes, it sounds like a trivial thing until the bike in front of you swerves to miss something in the road and you hit it (dead animal smells worse when its baking to your pipes.)

Remember this is just the start of the riding season and they are not looking for us. So, keep a look out for potholes, sink holes and as! holes.

Ride safe,

Dano.

**REGION 14 - Livingston,
Washtenaw
RC - Shiny Bob**

Pledge of Allegiance and moment of silence.
Treasurer Sally, we are doing good and we voted to Sponsor \$100 for Bronze for the Field meet.

Legislation Cheryl, ground work for Lane filtering is in place. It has democratic support using the Colorado bill as a blue print.

Pac funds, what are they for and why are they important.
MRF Ann, Go to Alerts on MRF page to do the call of action.

RC Shiny Bob, keep selling bike tickets. I have field meet tickets \$50 a couple. \$30 single.

June 14th is are Bike Show at the Saline American Legion

Entry is \$15 a bike
12pm to 4pm.

Keep supporting other Regions.

**REGION 15 - Wayne
RC - Bobby Prine**

Region 15 Did not have a meeting In April as we were all far too busy coloring & searching for Easter eggs, eating chocolate bunny ears and whatever else one does on Easter Sunday. Our next two meetings will be May 18 (before this publication) then June 15. Feel free to join us at 3pm VFW Post 9568, 39270 W Huron River Drive.

**REGION 16 - Crawford,
Roscommon, Oscoda,
Ogema, Alcona, Iosco
RC - Jesse Gordy**
No report this month.

**REGION 17 - Marquette,
Dickinson, Menominee,
Delta, Alger
RC - TBD**

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**REGION 18 - Lenawee,
Monroe
RC - Leroy Cuykendall III**
No report this month.

**REGION 19 - Oakland
RC - Bill Stewart**

Report from Region 19
For the June, 2025 Issue of Michigan Rider
May Was a Busy Month for Region 19!

A lot has been happening in Region 19 since our last report for the Michigan Rider. Our LO has been to Lansing, we held our Region meeting for May and we also participated at the Waterford Expo, representing our organization and Oakland County's many thousands of motorcyclists at this important community event. The details follow:

At 7:00p on Tuesday evening of 6 May, RC Bill called our meeting to order after our regulars enjoyed the great food provided by the Shark Club. Following the Pledge

of Allegiance Bill shared his comments for the meeting:

- Bill has tickets to the Field Meet available for purchase.
- Our RC also mentioned his frustration with sending emails to Region 19 members who do not attend our meetings because of outdated email addresses, a frequent challenge when trying to use emails to communicate. Bill asks "Are you still members?"
- Bill told us that the MRF is prepping for their annual Bikers Inside the Beltway, probably MRF's most effective advocacy event of the year.
- Two bills (HR 1566 and S 1379) in the House and Senate respectively would protect the Right to Repair and Modify our cars and motorcycles.
- Two other pieces of legislation have passed the House, one protecting the future of Internal Combustion Engines (ICEs) and the other insuring the continued availability of fuels required for use in those engines.
- The Waterford Expo will take place on the 8th of May and our Region is planning to attend. More on this event later in our Report.

Following Bill's comments, Hess read the Treasurer's Report (Speedy was not able to attend the night's meeting) and then went on to give his LO Report, a written version of which was provided to those in attendance:

- An MRF conference call took place on the 10th of April. On the call were Jay Jackson (MRF's Vice-President), Region 19 ABATE Prez Gary, VP Butch, Bear,

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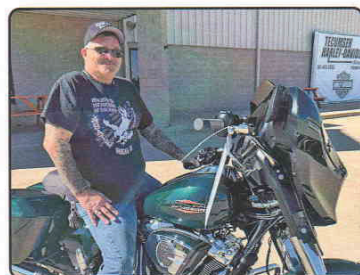
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Little Iceman, Woody, Hess and some of the other Region LOs. Discussion centered on upcoming MRF events (MOTM, Bikers Inside the Beltway) and the costs of attending these important meetings. The passion with which MRF and ABATE folks pursue their responsibilities really becomes clear when listening to these people speak!

- Jay stressed during the call the critical need to increase MRF's membership, a situation that is also for ABATE. Membership dues are critical to maintain the vitality of both organizations, to strengthen their voices and to provide the fiscal resources to pursue their missions. It is the responsibility of everyone who values motorcycling to recruit and retain members. MRF's dues are a trifling \$35 per year, a tiny pittance for us to contribute to support the organizations that work for bikers on the national and state levels.

- April's LO conference call took place on the 17th and was led by Herb Rials and Little Iceman. Herb reported (among other things) that he and other ABATE folks handed out invitations to Pizza and Pop during one of their frequent trips to Lansing.

- A little background information: Our LO belongs to two different state-level organizations: ABATE of Michigan and the Michigan Association of Retired School Personnel (MARSP). An interesting thing about motorcycling is that it draws enthusiasts from many different walks of life, education included. Equally interesting, ABATE and MARSP are more similar in their missions and methods than one might expect. Both work to protect the rights of their members and both pursue this mission by working with our state's elected officials, those folks who control much of what determines many aspects of our lives. Whenever Hess is in Lansing, he wears both hats...ABATE's and MARSP's.

- MARSP held its Legislative Outreach on the 29th of April and our LO made visits to the offices of seven Oakland County Reps (including his own Rep, Mark Tisdell) as well as to the office of Mike Webber, our LO's Senator.

- At each stop Hess made it clear that he represents Oakland County's many thousands of motorcyclists (for ABATE) while he also represents Michigan's retired public educators (for MARSP). Hess believes that it is important that our state's elected officials understand the varied backgrounds present among Michigan's motorcyclists and he reported that the message

seemed to resonate well in the offices that he visited that day. That completed our LO's report.

Through efforts made by our RC, on the 8th of May, Region 19 participated in the annual Waterford Expo, held at Waterford Mott High School. This is a community-wide gathering of business people, service organizations, public servants along with lots of other community members.

- Bill and his wife (Sandy) Hess and Speedy all attended and spoke to the many folks who stopped by our table about ABATE and motorcycling.

- Our Region Flag was proudly displayed as was our huge yellow "Save A Life" banner.

- Our table was covered with ABATE membership fliers, key fobs, pens, wristbands, bumper stickers, candy bars, advertisements for the ABATE Bike Raffle, fliers regarding motorcycle-related legislation along with information about our meetings.

- We gave away two ABATE memberships to people who expressed interest (paid for by Bill and Hess) and spoke about ABATE's role in protecting the motorcycling lifestyle. We all had a great evening!

Our next meeting? Tuesday, the 3rd of June, at the Shark Club

6665 Highland Road, Waterford, 48327

Dinner at 6:00, the meeting starts at 7:00

Come out and learn more about Region 19

Submitted by

Hess Bates, Legislative Officer

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248 736 0502.

***REGION 20 - Genesee, Shiawassee
RC - Steve (General) Graves***

Hope everyone has put out their Look Twice yard signs.

Meeting was cancelled due to me having to work and Bus recovering from surgery, prayers to Bus for a speedy recovery. There is some info to pass along.

We are planning an Awareness Ride for May 25th immediately following our meeting (weather permitting), at Country Ranch Restaurant in Morrice, so come to meeting then go for a ride! Or just meet at about 2:30ish.



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A Citizen's Guide to State Government.

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If you're new at this type of letter writing, here are some suggestions on how your letters can be most effective: How to write a letter to your representative: Click [HERE](#)

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It is of primary importance that the general public increase its participation in the decision-making process. In order to actuate this input, the citizen must acquire an understanding of the legislative structure and process and then organize concerted efforts to effectively demand representation. Individuals can have an impact on specific legislative proposals, provided it is made at the appropriate time. Organized community and citizens' groups can multiply the impact of that individual effort. Organizing citizens' groups to deal with specific community problems is extremely important. Such groups provide a focal point from which citizens can participate in the decision-making process and influence legislation.

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Field meet is June 6-8 at Clare County Fairgrounds in Harrison. Gates open at 12pm
June 11th is the Freedom Rally at the Capitol on Ottawa st. Meet at Burger King in Perry at 10,
ksu at 11. The Fish Fry will be happening.
Thats is all for now. Have a good day! "General"

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



Region Bike Nights



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**

JOIN US FOR

BIKE NIGHT


AT THE

RAPID CITY TAVERN

9395 Valley Rd NW, Rapid City

Starting June 4th, 2025
6:30pm.
Every Wednesday

PUBLIC WELCOME!



REGION 3

ABATE

OF MICHIGAN


- GAMES
- BEST BIKE
- GREAT FOOD

BIKE NIGHTS ARE BACK!! ABATE REGION 3

**WHEN: MONDAY NIGHTS
JUNE 2 - AUGUST 25, 2025**

TIME: 6:00pm - 8:00pm

**WHERE: FALLEN TIMBERS
13901 US-31
BEULAH, MI**



**GAMES
NIGHTLY DRAWINGS
BEST BIKE OF THE NIGHT PRIZES
FOOD SPECIALS
AND MORE!**

**INTERESTED IN BECOMING AN
ABATE MEMBER? REACH OUT TO
YOUR REGION 3 AREA
COORDINATOR
KORTNEE aka MOMMA DRAGON
231-392-1577 OR CHECK US OUT
ON FACEBOOK ABATE REGION 3**