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ABATE is American Bikers Aimed Towards Education.
ABATE was originally founded by Lou Chimney of California.
The Concept has since spread across the nation.

GOALS & PURPOSES OF ABATE

To provide a newsletter to keep all bikers informed regarding legislative actions and events around our state and through out our country.

To become a powerful and viable political force in legislative matters concerning all motorcyclist rights.

To promote voter registration and motivate members to write their legislators.

To promote safe riding habits without infringing on the individual rights. To educate the public about motorcycle awareness.

To provide a lobbyist to represent ABATE of FLORIDA, Inc. on the state and national level.

HOW DOES ABATE ACCOMPLISH ITS GOALS?

ABATE of Florida, Inc. is a non-profit, grassroots political corporation composed of local chapters that have been organized by motorcyclists, to promote a positive image through local, civic, and charitable and benevolent causes; pooling resources for the common benefit of the members promoting political awareness. ABATE exists to monitor legislation and testifies in your behalf during Senate and House hearings. ABATE collects, processes, and exchanges information that may concern you or substantiate our views and places it in your hands through a newsletter or by other means

WHO CAN JOIN?

Any individual 18 years of age or older interested in motorcycle rights, regardless of their sex, race or club affiliation. It does not matter if you ride or what you ride. ABATE ensures our option on motorcycle laws will be heard.

We are a non-profit organization of motorcycle enthusiasts from all walks of life. We lobby and educate the government and the general public to promote motorcycling in a safe and positive image. We endeavor to enlist the cooperation and participation of all organizations and individuals that share a similar interest in preserving our American tradition of FREEDOM.

We promote motorcycle safety, training, & political awareness. **WE ARE NOT A CLUB OR A GANG.** We fund our work through toy runs, poker runs, camp outs, and other motorcycle activities. We are your neighbors & friends who work, pay taxes, and get involved with our community. We serve and support our country and believe in freedom. We use all legal means to protect our rights without infringing on the rights of others. ABATE of Florida, Inc. is incorporated

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ABATE of FLORIDA ACCOMPLISHMENTS

ABATE was the driving force behind the changes in Florida's Helmet Law. Florida Motorcyclists, over the age of 21 and who carry at least \$10,000 medical insurance coverage now enjoy the Freedom to Choose whether to wear a helmet or not. ABATE has developed & copyrighted "The Motorcycle Safety & Awareness Program" (MSAP). The program is presented to non-motorcyclists to educate them on how to safely share the road with motorcycles. It is taught in local schools & to civic organizations at no charge in the hope of reducing motorcycle accidents and deaths through education, not legislation. ABATE has passed the Vulnerable Road User Bill in 2024, signed by the Governor, for vulnerable road user to pay specified civil penalty; requires person's driver license to be suspended for specified period; requires person to attend specified driver improvement course.

ABATE has gained a positive and respected position in Tallahassee. Because of our Lobbyist and Legislative efforts, State Representatives are aware of ABATE members and our vigilant quest. ABATE reminds travelers every day to "Look Twice Save a Life, Motorcycles are everywhere"

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TROY WAUGH
FORMER ABATE
SE CHAPTER
VICE
PRESIDENT &
ROAD
CAPTAIN



MIKE "ROGUE"
HAGAR
FORMER ABATE
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WEBMASTER &
PHOTOGRAPHER

PRESIDENT'S ARTICLE

The Holiday seasons are once again around the corner. Summer is set to end and our children have returned back to school. Fall approaches. SE Chapter now enters into the final quarter of the 2025 calendar year. We still have plenty of great upcoming events that our members are looking forward to participating in.

Part of our 2025 mission was to have the Chapter expand its outreach into Miami Springs and within that, SE Chapter has recently been invited to participate in The 2nd Annual Glenn Curtis Vintage Motorcycle and Antique Car Show . The event will be held in Miami shores and is scheduled for November 1st, 2025. ABATE of Florida Inc. Southeast Chapter will be setting up its 10x20 safety awareness and membership booths. Some of our members will be volunteering to help with motorcycle registration and parking in hopes of building a future relationship with the event coordinators. The Executive Board will be discussing further participation at our September monthly Chapter meeting at the American Legion Post 321.

ABATE of Florida Inc. Southeast Chapter is very excited to welcome a new advertising sponsorship to our organization, Law Tigers. ABATE of FL. Inc. collectively is close to finalizing the details for Law Tigers to become our representing State Motorcycle Injury and Criminal Attorney for all 15 current chapters. We are Looking forward to having more collaboration with Law Tigers at our upcoming events providing membership further injury and criminal attorney availability in our communities.

After many years, previously mentioned. SE Chapter has returned back home to the American Legion Post 321 for our monthly Chapter meetings. What a return it was! well exceeding our expectations. The Chapter had over 60 people in attendance. The camaraderie was on full display, showcasing our unique variety of membership from local MCs, organizations, and riding groups, to our independent motorcycle enthusiasts. Thank you to all those that attended and helped keep SE Chapter full of life! Our E-Board looks forward to many more successful meetings and I hope to see you at the next one.

Finally - ABATE of Florida Inc. Southeast Chapter is not just your local Motorcycle Rights Organization. It's being part of something for the greater good of all of us that ride. It's A Brotherhood, a Sisterhood and it's an awesome family of people. Please remember to renew your annual memberships so that your benefits remain current and always keep in mind every member counts and gives the Chapter the support and power it needs for our voices to continue to be heard in Tallahassee.

LET THOSE WHO RIDE DECIDE!

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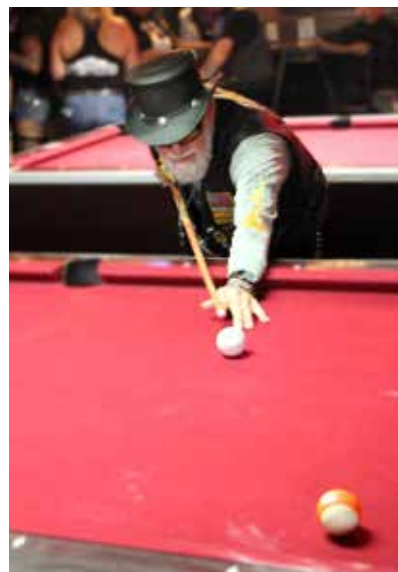


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Vice PRESIDENT

I don't have a lot to say this month, especially as I recently had eye surgery, hard for me to see what I am writing. So I will share this updated version of a biker poem that I wrote many years ago.

A Biker's Perfect World (by Ramblin' Mind)

*Cages are outlawed, my lane is for me.
I'm riding in America, home of the free!!
No road gators or lit cigarettes are after me.
NO cell phones and NO make-up, this is my plea.
I look down the highway and it's so damn clear.
It's time to fuel up, get some food, and a beer.
Ape hangers, loud pipes, and black leather vests,
and she should be able to show off her breasts (I
did say biker's world now)
Thirty bikes or more are in every pack.
The run is to Big Dawgs then Mickey's and back.
Café 27 to start and to end.
DAMN!! It's only Saturday...can't wait to see my
friends.
Tomorrow....I know there's a party to go to,
so see you at noon, in some parking lot!!!!*

Please support all your American Legions and VFWs. God Bless America, the military, and the veterans who have helped keep this Country free.

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

ANYONE WHO RIDES SHOULD BE A MEMBER
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God bless America!!!!



Peace,
Johnny Rose

Vice-President
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SOUTHEAST CHAPTER MEETING MINUTES
HELD AT AMERICAN LEGION POST 321
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AUGUST 17, 2025

Ace called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m., and there were 61 members, and 3 guests present. He then led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. This was followed by a prayer, by Bear.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – LOUIS "OB":

OB welcomed everyone to Post 321. This is the first time we have met here in years. He welcomed some of the groups, Der Krieger MC, BACA, Stilettos on Steel, Phoenix Riders, Fast & Furious Riders, Indian Motorcycle Riders Group, Paul OG of our Chapter, and of course, Post 321 Riders. He let all know that we have been approved to set up a Safety Booth at the Glenn Curtis Vintage Motorcycle and Car Show in Miami Springs on November 1st. He spoke about a new sponsor, Law Tigers, who are now advertising with us. And also, a reminder, our 45th Annual Event will be at Big Dawgs in Pembroke Pines on October 12th.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT – JOHNNY:

Johnny said he had mostly sad news. Russell Sandler, an ABATE member and HOG member, recently passed after a long illness. Many of us knew him and it is a sad time. We sent a card to his wife.

And Mike "Rogue" Hager also recently passed away. He was a great long-time friend of mine, and many of us here. In the past, he was our webmaster and photographer. I spoke to him almost monthly and will miss him greatly. Johnny shared

a few memories, good times. We sent a card and flowers to Kathy, his wife. She was so touched by the flowers and thanked all.

SECRETARY'S REPORT – ROSS "ROSCOE":

Roscoe was excused; Dreamer filled in. Requested Motion to approve minutes from last meeting, motioned, second, approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT – SHEILA:

Gave report of Checking and Savings. Motion requested for approval of the Treasurer's report, second, approved.

She then apologized that this meeting seems to be a lot about lost brothers, but it was also recently the one-year anniversary of Troy's passing. We sent a card and flowers to Troy's mother on the anniversary of his passing. She was very touched by the card and all the signatures, and his sister Debbie, also thanked us, said Troy always talked about all the good times and friends he had with us. He was our VP and Road Captain before he got sick. Sheila then played a touching voicemail from Glenna, Troy's mother, thanking us all.

SERGEANT AT ARMS REPORT – ERIC "ACE":

Ace gave his condolences for all who recently passed. He spoke about a recent charity event that some of us went to, for the wife of a President who is battling cancer. We were able to give a nice donation from some of our members. He said he was happy with such a nice showing at our first meeting at 321. Nighthawk, our former SAA, reminded us all to be aware and careful in school zones. School is back in session.



ROAD CAPTAIN'S REPORT – MARTIN "HUNTER":

Some upcoming events are:

Sunday, August 24th,

Scurvy Few MC Annual

Saturday, August 30th,

Fly-In Wheels Off Annual

Saturday, September 6th,

Cacique MC Annual

Sunday, September 14th,

States MC Tune-Up Party

Saturday, September 20th,

Kingdom of Brothers MC Annual

Saturday, September 27th,

Old Timers MC Annual

SAFETY DIRECTOR'S REPORT – BRUCE "POET":

Poet said it was another great month. He had a Safety Booth at Petersons Harley Davidson Luau party in July. He did a Safety Booth at the monthly Cycle Gear Bike Night. This is their last bike night of the season, and they will start them up again next May. He has been out there a lot, and has some Safety Booths coming up, Summer Splash on the 24th and Harleys After Dark, which is always on the last day of every month at Alligator Alley Harley Davidson.

STATE REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT -

JOHNNY AND MARTIN "HUNTER":

OB spoke about lane filtering, how that is the bill that ABATE of Florida wants for the next legislative session. Hunter spoke. He and Poet went to the August State meeting. said the lane filtering is currently legal in 4 states. What is lane filtering? It is not lane splitting, which is where a bike goes between cars as they are moving. Filtering is going between stopped cars or slow-moving cars, to get to the front, like at a red light, or traffic jams, which keeps up from getting hit from behind. Dreamer spoke about some pros and cons of this. State is asking each Chapter to do one benefit event specifically to raise money for our lobbyist. Frenchie, a member of another chapter, asked for old pictures from any State events, if you have them, please send to Ada at news.abatese@gmail.com and she will get them to Frenchie. There was more discussion about a State party,

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an over 21 party, also talk about bringing back Spooks & Scoots, Halloween party, with camping. There will be a multi-Chapter party, most likely second week in April. Law Tigers will be at the December State meeting.

We have an ongoing State Raffle for a Blackstone Griddle. If anyone is interested in purchasing tickets, see Sheila after the meeting.

LEGISLATIVE LIAISON – BRAD WINSTON:

Brad was excused. Dreamer spoke about recently getting a survey form from ABATE of Illinois. She is going to review it with the Board, and try and come up with one that we can use. The survey goes to our legislators, asking for their opinion on certain things that are important to us, in the motorcycle community. It is not political, but only so we have a better understanding of the mindset of those who make our laws. She has reached out to some states that have lane filtering, to get some info from them, the impacts of the law, the pros and cons. She again encouraged us all to go and visit with our local legislators, State, County, or City. It is good to have that relationship.

LEGAL COUNSEL – BRAD WINSTON:

Brad is excused.

PRODUCTS REPORT – SANDY:

Sandy spoke and said she has a good inventory of all of our products, and all are at her Products table. If anyone needs anything, to see her after the meeting.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT – SHEILA:

Sheila read the membership report. We have over 700 members.

EVENTS COORDINATOR – HOLLIE "DREAMER":

Dreamer reminded us that our October Annual will be at Big Dawgs on October 12th, and to please start getting door prizes, ask for service gift certificates where you get your bike repairs done, or food certificates when you eat out. There will be a sign-up sheet at the next meeting. She is still

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asking for suggestions for a place for our January Semi-Annual, maybe closer to the Broward-Miami border, so we can get more people from the south.

NEWSLETTER EDITOR – ADA:

Ada reminded everyone to send her photos. She spoke passionately, bringing a few tears to some, about Mike “Rogue” Hager. When she first came to an ABATE meeting in 2012, she knew no one and did not ride. Rogue approached her, at the time, he was Webmaster and Photographer. He took time to get to know her, teach her about taking photos, and it meant the world to her later, when he told her she was doing a good job. He will be greatly missed.

She reminded all members that they can have a ¼ classified ad for free, in our newsletter. Not to promote a business, but personal sales. The ad will run for 6 months, or less, if the item sells. Please EMAIL all articles and photos to news.abatese@gmail.com

NEWSLETTER DISTRIBUTION – LOUIS “OB”:

Distribution is going well.

PUBLIC RELATIONS – MARELYS LAZO:

Marelys said welcome and thank you to all. She let us know that in the last 28 days, we have had 22,345 views on Facebook. She was recently contacted by Peterson’s Harley Davidson South to do some collaboration, also with the Stillettos, to do some rides down in Dade County. There is an upcoming Combat Veterans Motorcycle Association event at the Boynton Beach Bike Show in September.

**GOODWILL AMBASSADOR –
DAWNE “THUNDER”:**

Thunder is excused.

BILLING AND INVOICING – SHEILA:

Sheila said all are up-to-date. Please support our advertisers and let them know you saw their ad in our newsletter. We haven’t raised our rates in at least 10 years, and our rates are very reasonable.

SOCIAL DIRECTOR’S REPORT – BARRY “BEAR”:

Bear let us know he brought some goodies, brownies and fudge, for after the meeting.

QUARTERMASTER REPORT – BRUCE “POET”:

Poet said he was happy the Hurricane Erin is staying out to sea. There is a Black Moon tonight. Again, he met with the quarters, and they remain intact.

PHOTOGRAPHER’S REPORT – ADA:

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WEBMASTER’S REPORT – ERIK SADOFF:

Erik let us know the website is up to date.

CHAPLAIN – BARRY “BEAR” CROWN:

Bear asked us to pray for families of those recently passed.

OLD BUSINESS:

No old business.

NEW BUSINESS:

No new business.

Good of the Order:

Phoenix, from Phoenix Riders spoke. She is a cancer survivor and started the Phoenix Riders to give back. On the first ride they did, they had 18 riders and raised over \$1,000. The last ride they did, the Teddy Bear Ride last month, raised over 300 teddy bears that went to the Sunrise Police Department to give to traumatized children at crime scenes. They have a ride planned for August 23rd for Russell Sandler, meeting at Alligator Alley Harley Davidson at 9am. Othe upcoming rides are October 4th Breast Cancer Run, November 15th Veterans Run, December 6th Toy

Run, December 13th Wreaths Across America, and in January, they will have a Palm Beach Teddy Bear Run

Event flyers on the tables.

Motion to adjourn at 11:09am, seconded, approved. Next meeting will be held at American Legion Post 321 at 10:00am on September 21, 2025.

Hollie “Dreamer” Sadoff

Sitting in for Ross “Roscoe”

Secretary, Southeast Chapter



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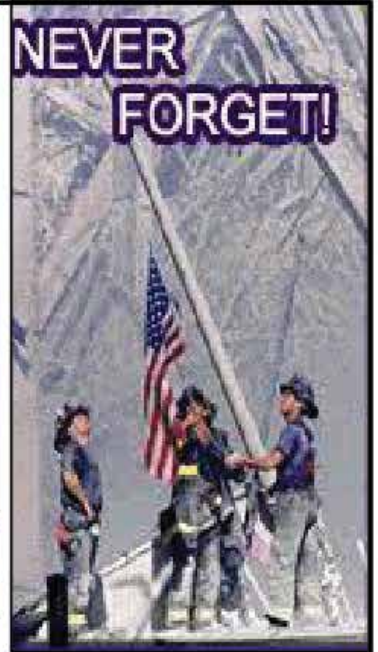
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POET'S SAFE THINKINGS

Howdy brothers and sisters ! It's September! It's a pretty good month for bikers. With a little bit of luck temperatures and humidity will drop below "Insanity" and hover around "bearable". Remember though, we are in hurricane season, so carry your rain gear and check the weather forecast. Just sayin'

Last month I was asked to attend a State meeting as a delegate. In all my years with Abate I had never been to one. It's amazing to me the level of camaraderie at these meetings. It seems to me that everyone knows everybody else, or is at least willing to get to know you!

I had never thought about it, but it was interesting to me to see that we run our meetings exactly as State does. It's all very parliamentary don't ya know. Of course being a State meeting, there are a lot more "Motions, seconds, all in favors and any opposed" flying around.

Many important issues were discussed and voted on. Events past and possible future were talked about. Many things will change in our organization. I must believe that in order for our mission and Safety alliance to move forward, things must be in a constant state of change for the better. In any case, I was honored to have been able to experience it.

While I was there Alan (Big Wheel) Loper and his wife Shirley showed up as guests. They are still members of SE chapter, but I had lost touch with them since their move. We reminisced a little before the meeting started. It warmed my heart to see old friends. For those of them, I will say only this, "Apple Pie".

The night before, at the hotel, Steve, our State VP asked me about the duties of the Quarter-

master in a Chapter. I explained that in years past the office was responsible for cooking for events and supplying coffee and donuts to volunteers that set up events. Of course nowadays we rely on the venues we choose to supply food so the quartermaster no longer does that. He told me that State doesn't and never had a Quartermaster. I gave him an abashed look and straight facedly asked " Then who appeases your quarters every month and gives Celestial event information. Apparently... just me!



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When you have been riding out there for a while, accidents happen regardless of whether we are on two or three-wheels. A buddy of mine got run off the road and got into an accident that required a visit to the hospital. Police asked my buddy if he had someone to get his bike that was not rideable, and he said no. No one asked where he wanted the bike towed and frankly he was not thinking about the bike at the time. He was concerned with his injuries. He was seen by medical staff and by the way is expected to make a full recovery.

Now the situation regarding the bike is another story. The accident happened in the city of Hollywood, Florida on a Saturday around 3pm in June of this year. My buddy contacted a few friends to help him get his bike at the impound lot that the police used in his case to store the bike. The accident happened on a weekend and the impound lot closed for vehicle pickups at 1:00pm on Saturday for the balance of the weekend so he had to wait until Monday even though we were ready to get the bike the next day. The lot was not open for pickup so the impound got one additional day storage. It's interesting that they are able to accept the bike being towed to the impound at any hour of the day but they limited hours for pickup. You have to wait... And pay the storage fees while you are waiting...

Here is the detail of what he was charged by the Tow service called by Hollywood Police

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In case you are wondering I was one of the buddies that helped get the bike. When we got to the impound, we inspected the bike for damage and we saw minor damage to the mirrors foot pegs and the front tire was flat. There were NO liquids leaking from the bike so I'm not sure what the environmental fee was for but hey there it was on the bill. I'm not going to comment any further on the bill. The numbers speak for themselves.

Ok a couple of take-a-ways from this. We carry wrenches because sometimes things happen and we need to do repairs on the fly while we are on the road. I would suggest that you keep a phone number of motorcycle tow company in your phone contacts under BIKE TOW. You don't have to look far for one because one of our sponsors is a bike tow guy. You should also keep the phone numbers in your phone of some biker buddies that can wait with your bike until the tow guy arrives. Let your buddies know in advance who does the work on your bike so that they can have it towed to that shop. This bit of advance thinking could have cut my buddy's tow costs by at least 2/3. That's some serious coin during these tough economic times.

We are a brotherhood of bikers. I have stepped up when I got the call from a bruda and I have called when I needed help and got it in spades. There's no way I could say no to one of my buds in this situation and I suspect many of you are of the same thought on the topic. Friends for life are forged of strangers by helping in these kinds of ways.

You want to be a prepared biker. The same reason you carry tools to be prepared on the road, a few of the right phone numbers can be just as important and can save you a bunch. JUST A THOUGHT.

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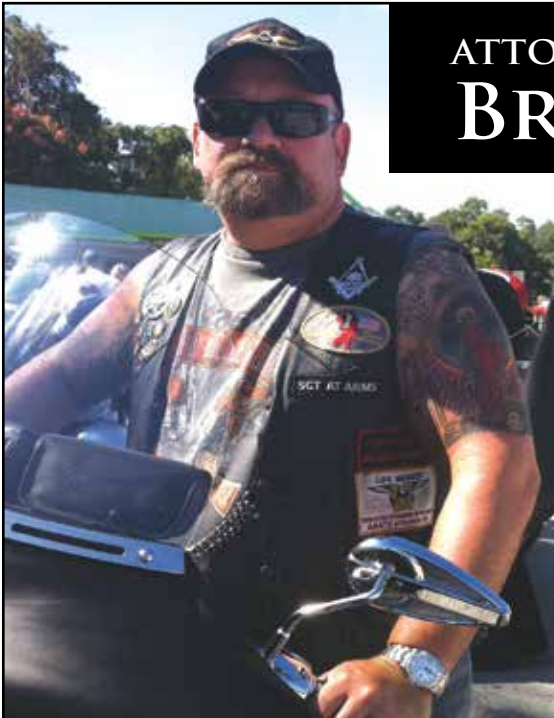


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My Perspective:
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It was the early 70's. I was in my teens and, truthfully, not sure about anything. In my search for something more, I experimented with just about everything. I hitch-hiked to get around, not ever considering the consequences. Other than the normal greenery, I tried smoking Oregano for a buzz and inhaled nitrous oxide for a head rush.

My generation (as well as yours) was looking for fun, yet at the same time, we were looking for truth that would help our society make sense. And then one day, a Jesus freak found me hanging out in the park with my friends. He seemed harmless, so I considered his form of truth. My conscience told me he was right, yet my mind wasn't ready to own it. I can still remember my exact thoughts... as much truth as he spoke, this hippie wasn't ready. In fact, I bargained with God and said, "One day, I'll give You my heart."

Written by a gospel group in 1966 and then made popular by The Byrds and the Doobie Brothers in 1973, the song, "Jesus is Just Alright," I became a hit, reaching No. 35 on the "Billboard Hot 100". I was in high school and couldn't get enough of that driving beat. I agreed with the song, even though my lifestyle didn't. Still, I loved the message.

"Jesus is just alright with me
Jesus is just alright, oh yeah
Jesus is just alright with me
Jesus is just alright."

One way to say something was cool was to say it was righteous, or alright. As the Hippie Movement was in full swing, the Jesus Movement was becoming a significant counterculture. Some have argued that the lyrics were a casual description or that the writer's expression was shallow. I think the chorus suggests that the author finds comfort and acceptance from the presence of Jesus in their life.

As the story goes, the hitch-hiking teenager in the park accepted Jesus six years later. It's been over 50 years since the day I gave Him my heart, and my life has never been the same. You would think I'd have smooth roads and easy rides exempt from ruts and challenging times. Quite the contrary. Yet I can't imagine this ride without Him. He's rescued me from trouble, healed my body, and saved me from death. He's even promised me a place in heaven! Yes, Jesus is just alright with me, and I'm alright with Him.

The real question might be, **is Jesus alright with you?** One way to find out is to ask Him. You don't need a church or a preacher; just an open heart to follow Him.

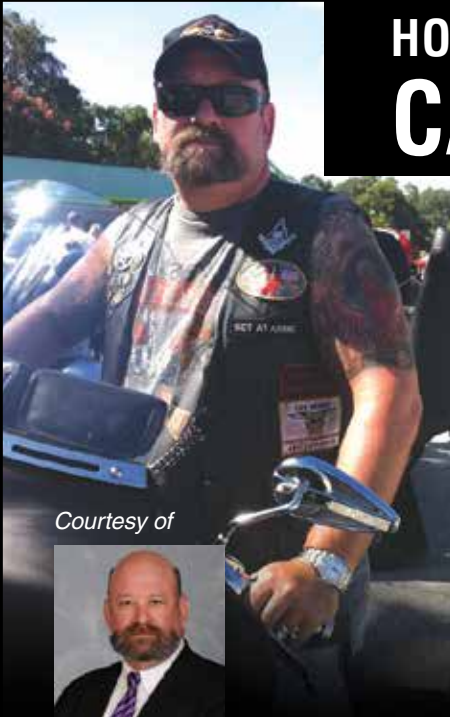
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PHILEMON AND THE ROAD TO RECONCILIATION:

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Perhaps the reason he was separated from you for a little while was that you might have him back forever no longer as a slave but better than a slave as a dear brother.

— Philemon 1:15-16

There's a moment every biker faces out on the open road. You hear the rumble of your own exhaust echo off the road and you feel free. But sometimes, a storm rolls in fast. Visibility drops. The roads get slick. Maybe you took a wrong turn. Maybe you and another rider had a disagreement before the ride. Suddenly that ride ain't so free anymore. The weight of unresolved things gets heavier than your pack.



That's what Paul was dealing with when he wrote to Philemon. He was holding the handlebars between two men with history. Onesimus was a runaway slave. Philemon was the master he left behind. But something happened between the running and the writing. Jesus grabbed hold of Onesimus. The man who ran off came back changed. No longer just a servant but now a brother in Christ.

See, reconciliation isn't just about shaking hands and moving on. It's about remembering who we are now in Christ. It's about letting the gospel reshape our view of each other. We were all once running from God. Just like Onesimus. But Christ intercepted our ride. He pulled us into His crew. Now we don't see each other through labels like enemy or betrayer. We see through the eyes of grace.

In the biker world, trust and respect mean everything. If a brother wrongs you, it can feel like he dropped his bike and left it on your front lawn. But the gospel reminds us that every one of us has laid our bike down at some point. Jesus didn't leave us in the ditch. He picked us up, patched us up, and put us back on the road.

Reconciliation isn't weakness. It's gospel grit. It's the guts to say, "I'm not who I was and neither are you because Christ is doing a new thing in both of us."

Reflection and Challenge:

Is there someone you've written off because of old wounds or broken trust? Someone who ran out and never looked back? Ask the Lord to show you how He sees them now. Not as a problem but as a potential brother or sister in Christ.

Remember, reconciliation doesn't mean pretending nothing happened. It means letting what Christ did on the cross speak louder than what they did in the past. If Paul could ask Philemon to welcome a runaway like a brother, then maybe God is asking you to do the same.

The ride toward reconciliation is uphill sometimes. But it's worth every mile. And Jesus rides it with you.

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	1  LABOR DAY	2	3	4	5	6 CACIQUE RC ANNUAL
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14 STATES MC TUNE-UP PARTY	15	16	17	18 EBOARD MEETING	19	20
21 ABATE SE MEETING 	22 	23	24	25	26	27 OLD TIMERS MC ANNUAL
28	29	30				

2025

OCTOBER

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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5 MYSTIC SEVEN MC ANNUAL	6	7	8	9	10	11 Outcast MC Annual ABATE Of Florida State MEETING
12 ABATE SE ANNUAL	13	14	15	16 EBOARD MEETING	17	18 WHEELS OF MAN MC HALLOWEEN PARTY
19 ABATE SE MEETING 	20	21	22	23	24	25 Fearless MC Annual
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Party

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Pirate Ball Annual

DECEMBER

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WEEKLY/MONTHLY EVENTS

SUNDAY

ABATE Southeast Chapter meeting – 10am-12pm - **3rd Sunday of the month**
BACA @ American Legion Post 180 – 9:30am – **2nd Sunday**
Mickey's Tiki Bar – Wind Rider Church Services Church – 11am
Sharkey's Lounge – Free pool

MONDAY

Sharkey's Lounge – Ladies' night 9pm-2am – 2 for 1 drinks

TUESDAY

Mickey's Tiki Bar – Karaoke – 8pm-12am
States MC – Taco Tuesday – 6:30pm
Wings of Gold MC – Open House – 7pm

WEDNESDAY

Mickey's Tiki Bar – "Texas Hold 'Em" – 8pm-12am

THURSDAY

ABATE Southeast Chapter EBoard Meeting – 6:30pm -
Thursday before the Chapter meeting
The Crew MC – Open House – 8pm – **3rd Thursday**
Mickey's Tiki Bar – Lady's Nite Out– 8pm
Old Timers MC Bike Nite -8pm-12am **1st Thursday**

FRIDAY

Gideons MC – Open House – 8pm
Heathens MC – Open House – 8pm – **4th Friday**
Outcast MC – Open House – 8pm
States MC – Open House – 7-10pm
Kingdom of Brothers MC – Open House – 8pm – **1st & 3rd Friday**
Liberty MA – Open House – 8pm
Mystic 7 MC Open House Open House - TBA
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SATURDAY

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

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

We were sitting around talking about our latest Chapter meeting. It was so very well attended and so many different groups and individuals. And we remember, looking out at the crowd, and everyone was smiling, happy, just loving the community of like-minded brothers and sisters. And everyone there was passionate about ABATE's cause, educating drivers to help protect bikers and riders. Sometimes we don't think about it, it just is, this feeling of being there, in this community with everyone. We have heard it said that bikers never meet a stranger. When they are on the road, giving each other the two-finger wave or a quick nod, or when they stop for a bite or a beer, and meet another biker, people who don't know each other, but not strangers. It's also the ones who ride on the back too, same mentality, we think. I can't think of any other group that is like that. So now we are wondering and pondering, why motorcyclists are so passionate about their rides? Is it just about the speed and the thrill, or is there more to it? We are going to dive into the psychology of motorcycle riding to explore the deeper reasons behind why we ride.



The Freedom of the Open Road: Motorcycle riding is often synonymous with freedom. Straddling a bike, feeling the wind against your face, hearing the roar of the engine - it's an indescribable feeling that transcends the everyday mundanity. The open road offers an escape from the constraints of our daily lives, a sense of liberation that isn't easily found elsewhere.

Mindfulness and Focus: Believe it or not, motorcycle riding can be a mindful practice. When you're on a motorcycle, you're fully in the present moment. You're hyper-aware of your surroundings, the road ahead, the machine underneath you, and even your own body. This intense focus often leads to what psychologists refer to as a 'flow state,' a complete absorption in one's activity that leads to an altered sense of time and self.

The Thrill Factor: There's no denying the adrenaline rush that comes from a motorcycle ride. This thrill, this exhilaration, stimulates the release of dopamine, a neurotransmitter associated with feelings of pleasure and satisfaction. This biochemical reaction partially explains the sheer joy many riders experience.

The Sense of Community: Motorcycling often breeds a strong sense of community. Whether it's a wave to a fellow rider on the road, sharing stories at a bike rally, or the camaraderie of a motorcycle club - these shared experiences create bonds of friendship and belongingness that are deeply satisfying on a psychological level.

Challenge and Mastery: Riding a motorcycle is a skill, and like any skill, it presents a challenge. The process of learning, practicing, mastering the art of motorcycling, and even overcoming fears as-

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sociated with riding, can contribute to a sense of achievement and self-confidence. This process of personal growth and mastery can be immensely rewarding.

Identity and Self-Expression: For many, motorcycles are an extension of their identity - a way to express themselves. The type of bike one rides, how one rides it, and even the gear one wears - all of these elements can be forms of self-expression, reflecting one's personality and values. Hah, and here, we have to quote an old slogan of Candy's Cycle "Cause Stock Sucks"!

The Connection with Nature: Lastly, motorcycling offers a unique connection with nature that's rarely found in a car ride. Exposed to the elements, riders can truly immerse themselves in the environment, experiencing the sun, the wind, the scents, and the scenery in a profoundly intimate way.

Motorcycle riding is not only a mode of transportation, but a complex psychological experience that intertwines freedom, mindfulness, thrill, community, personal growth, self-expression, and connection with nature. It's a blend of these elements that captivates the hearts of riders and fuels their passion for the open road. So why do we ride? Maybe the question should be, why wouldn't we?

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Si logras identificar a qué tipo de motociclista perteneces, te será más fácil encontrar un grupo de motociclistas donde te sientas bienvenido y en el que te sientas como en casa.

GRUPO DE MOTOCICLISTAS -- también conocidos como RC, son los que menos tiempo y dinero requieren. Algunos se reúnen solo ocasionalmente para emocionantes viajes locales o lejanos, sin cuotas mensuales ni reuniones obligatorias. Si trabajas muchas horas o tienes una familia que requiere mucha de tu presencia, formar parte de un RC puede ser la mejor opción.

CLUBES DE MOTOCICLISTAS -- también conocidos como MC, tienen mayores expectativas para sus miembros. Tienen cuotas mensuales obligatorias, reuniones obligatorias y eventos a los que es imprescindible asistir. Pero si para ti es importante tener amigos cercanos y leales, y tienes el tiempo y los recursos económicos para mantenerte al día con sus actividades, este es el tipo de club donde te sentirás como en casa. Estos grupos tienen un código de conducta estricto que fomenta la armonía y el respeto mutuo entre los diferentes clubes y entre las membresías dentro de cada uno.

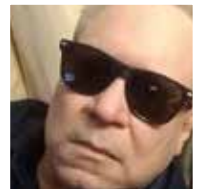
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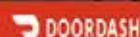
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This year's Annual Ride with Freddy took us on a legendary motorcycle journey from Fort Lauderdale, Florida, to Waynesville, North Carolina, by way of Natchez, Mississippi" a ride designed around one of America's most scenic and historic byways: the Natchez Trace Parkway.

The ride from Fort Lauderdale to Natchez covers approximately 870 miles, crossing the Gulf states and offering a scenic lead-up to the main event: the Natchez Trace Parkway, a 444-mile stretch of federally protected road that runs from Natchez to Nashville. Originally a Native American trail, the Trace became a critical route in the late 1700s and early 1800s for traders, soldiers, and settlers. Today, it's a quiet, two-lane road with no commercial traffic, perfect for motorcycles.

Our night in Natchez fell on July 4th, and we were treated to a stunning fireworks display over the Mississippi River. It was a fittingly patriotic backdrop to a town rich in antebellum charm, capping off a long ride with an unforgettable view.

Along the Trace, five standout historic stops captured our attention:

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A stop in Nashville brought us to the Johnny Cash Museum, where exhibits showcase his guitars, costumes, recordings, and heartfelt personal letters.

The final leg to Waynesville, North Carolina, brought the total trip mileage to about 1,150 miles, combining rich Southern history with unforgettable roads, good friends, and a shared love of the ride.

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