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## President's Thoughts

ell, I have some good news. The drunk driver [in a cage] that killed 4 motorcyclists in Sumter County, Florida was found guilty of four counts of DUI Manslaughter and one count of driving on a Suspended driver's license. He will never get out of prison as long as he lives. The Judge gave him four life sentences. And ABATE Of Florida Members from around the state were at every court hearing from beginning to end. They were there to offer support to the victims' families and help get them some justice. The court recognized our "ABATE" presence in the court room and had to ask the jurors if they were members of ABATE and none were. I hope the courts will start to realize that motorcycles are a green way of getting around and with gas prices off the chain, there is going to be more and more of us on the roads. Anyway, there are no winners in this one, just five families hurting.

ABATE of Florida, Inc is the largest motorcyclist rights organization in Florida. We have 33 chapters across the state and our own

lobbyist. Our mission is to educate the public about motorcycle awareness and safety, and to cover our backs in Tallahassee. That's why I am always saying... ANYONE WHO RIDES, SHOULD BE A MEMBER OF ABATE! Remember for every Abate member we have the politicians look at it as 5 possible votes, because we have at least 4 friends who think like us. This will give our lobbyist more power to protect our rights. Come and join the ranks of those who care to be involved!

Times are tough and life is short, so be safe and be strong.





## Peace, Johnny Rose





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#### ABATE of Florida, Southeast Chapter Meeting Minutes June 17, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 10:08 am by newly elected Sgt. @ Arms George "Geo" Bograkos with 53 members, 2 guests and no At-Large members in attendance. Total in attendance: 55. Followed by the Pledge of Allegiance the meeting started with a prayer led by Tumbleweed.

#### Presidents Report

Johnny thanked all for coming. We need to support those groups who support especially the American Legion, VFW and the local MC's. We are in need of advertisers. We have to get to the point where advertising revenue will fully cover the cost of the newsletter.

#### Vice-Presidents Report

Old Hippy welcomed all members for attending. We have a number of guests today and familiar faces are back. Great to see Tank and Wisconsin Les. We attended the grand opening of the new Joe DiMaggio's children hospital. It was great.

#### Secretary's Report

A motion was made to accept the minutes of June's meeting as printed in the newsletter with the following corrections: Total in attendance from Mays meeting was listed incorrectly. Actual total was 53 not 37. May's treasurer report was incorrectly reported as February's report. It was the report for May 2011. Motion seconded, all in favor, motion passed.

#### Treasurer's Report

Joe read June's financial report. A motion was made, seconded to accept the Treasurers report. All in favor, motion passed.

#### Sergeant at Arms Report

Geo reported he has 3 Assistant Sgt @ Arms to assist him with his duties. Our new Assistant Sgt @ Arms are: Jimmy Les, Steve Thomas and Frank Hammond. Please give them the same support that you have given me. At next months meeting, Jimmy Les will cover my position, as I will not be able to attend.

#### Road Captain's Report

Frank reported on next week's runs:

7/23/11 – Chrome Angels MC event. Meeting at the American Legion at 4:00pm, kick stands up at 4:30pm.

7/24/11 – Black Pistons Event. Meeting at the American Legion at 11:00am, kick stands up at 11:30am.

Please check the hotline for updates and important information.

Safety Directors Report

Dave reported he attended the seminars in Deland, and learned a lot. We now have new magnetic signs " No Texting while driving". Please see him if you want any.

#### Products Report

Jackie reported we have products and now you do not have to wait for our monthly meeting to get some. A selected number of products are now available at CK Worldwide Leathers that are located right next door to Dirty White Boys. As always you can call her for any products that you need. Her number is in the newsletter. She is working to get our products in a number of businesses; we will keep you posted on where.

#### Events Coordinator

Jackie reported she was unable to attend last month's meeting, but wanted to thank all our members who worked so hard to make our Memorial Day Event a huge success.

On 8/20/11 there will be a Bikers Appreciation night hosted by Mickey's. We are going to try to have 3 Biker Appreciation nights through out the year at different establishments. We will keep you posted.

#### State Reps Report

Chris reported there was no State Meeting this month. Next month's meeting will be in Neptune Beach hosted by Duval on 8-13-11. Please see him if you want to take a nice ride up the coast and attend.

#### Membership Report

George reported a total of 638 members. We are still the largest chapter in the state. When you fill out your renewals or get applications for new members, please make sure the application is legible. It really does help.

#### Newsletter Editor

Wildcat reported all articles; contributions, pictures, etc are due by the  $20^{th}$  of each month.

#### Legislative Report

Chris reported that on July 7, 2011 Paul Sermons who on 3/13/10 while driving drunk, with a suspended license killed 4 motorcyclists in Sumpter County was sentenced to a life sentence in prison for each motorcyclist he killed. Needless to say, he will never see freedom again. ABATE members from many chapters were at each hearing in support of the families from beginning to end. Justice was done but unfortunately there are no winners in a situation like this.

#### Public Relations

Fern was excused. No report

#### Advertising

Hope was excused. Terry just got out of the hospital yesterday. He is doing well, so give him a call to say "Hello"

#### Social Directors Report

Karin reported this month's birthday party would be held at Shanks on 7-23-11. Festivities start between 700pm and 800pm. Come on out and help celebrate this month's birthdays.

Next months birthday party will be held at Mickey's in conjunction with Biker Appreciation Night on 8/20/11. This will be a great night, so come on out and enjoy.

#### Newsletter Distribution

Karen reported we need help with the newsletter distribution in Dade County. Tony and Primo are no longer available. Any one who can help please contact her. Stops include Harley Davidson, Heaven Cycles etc. Her number is in the newsletter. Any assistance is greatly appreciated.

#### Quartermaster's Report

Bob Anz reported that everything was 100%.

#### Photographer's Report

Axman reported he has pictures that he will send to our Webmaster for posting on our web site. These are a lower resolution but are still great pictures. Now if you want high-resolution prints at a very cheap price, let him know as he can provide them. He also has DVD's of our Memorial Day Event for a mere 10 bucks. This 45-minute collage of pictures of our event is absolutely great.

#### Web-Master's Report

Mike reported he needs the articles from the board in a timely manner. Recommendation is those who are required to submit monthly articles to the Newsletter Editor include the Webmaster in their email. This way all bases are covered. As a member you can advertise your business for free on our web site.

#### Legal Council

Chris reported there was nothing to report at this time

#### Old Business

We are still looking for someone to step up to be chapter historian. Cigar Charlie stated best bet was to contact Casey from Cycle lab. He might be the only one who can contact "Artie" who was historian years ago. We will keep you updated as information becomes available.

New Business None

Good of the Order

On behalf of the El Coqui Motorcycle Group, Vice President Louis discussed a good old-fashioned block party. Members bring a covered dish, whatever needs to be cooked on the grill etc. Just a brotherhood getting together to break some bread. Used to be this way years ago, it is time we bring it back. Louis also offered their clubhouse to the Board of Directors if we want to hold a Board Meeting there. Thank you to El Coqui President JR and Vice President Louis for their generosity. We will keep you posted. This heck of a good time will probably be held sometime in September. Marty reported that there will be a Memorial 911 event right here at the legion. A family event and poker run with all proceeds benefiting the Forgotten Soldiers Outreach. Our American Legion Post is also a drop point for donated items. Please contact the legion if you can make any donations.

After today's meeting we will be riding up to the States MC Lake Worth event.

On 8-20-11, Wheels of Man are holding the grand opening of their new clubhouse located in Vero Beach. Congratulations Geo thanked all our members who came out to support his band Hoodoo Blues. Upcoming they will be playing at Luke's Place, which we all know "It is on the way home" and 2 dates at right here at the Legion.

A motion was made to adjourn, seconded, all in favor motion passed

Meeting adjourned at 10:59 am

These minutes were summarized and submitted by:

Paul A. Melcer Paul A. Melcer Secretary









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## OldHippy's Corner



his past month was an eventful month for me. I proceeded to have my 3rd score or my 6th decade of the anniversary of the day I was hatched and AARP is still after me to join.

With that monumental event taken place coupled with a few other things happenning in my surroundings like employment issues or, lack of, the record heat, I got a wild hair up my ass and did something that I wasn't even drunk to do. Remember that song by Crosby, Stills and Nash, "Almost Cut My Hair"? Yep, I did it! LynnHara was looking to get a trim and contacted Driver, and he then turned her on to Julie at Barber & More, on Griffin Road and Nob Hill where she set me up to get a trim. After she got hers done, it was my turn to go under the clippers. Man, I had some mixed feelings on it; first it took me a few years to cultivate that length, and knew that I would miss it. And also I know it is hard to believe, but I associate sitting in a barber chair to being in a dentist chair. Anyway, it seems to be more of a pain to Lynn than myself. She actually left the place because she did not want to look. I tell you one thing, after Julie was done, it looked like a large hairy road kill on the floor! I felt a lot lighter and cooler without that entire mane. Thanks Julie, I'm good for another 5 years!! This leads me into other things I wanted to bring up and it is Perception.

I was at Home Depot a while back and there was, what looked to be a late model cruiser parked up front where I usually park, and I was at that time was wearing my vest. After I purchased some traps to eliminate a rodent, that decided to also take up residence where I live, because I told LynnHara that it would not be a good idea to use my 9mm in the house to get rid of it. I happen to get a chance to speak with the rider. He noticed the patch on by vest and he responded with "ABATE" you are one of the "no helmet people"?

That's a problem we have with the general public and even the riders we see at places like Café 27 where there is abundant of riders. They tend to see the Motorcycle Rights Organizations as the "no helmet people". Really, how much of our time and monies are devoted to the mandatory helmet issues versus the amount of effort that is put forth in matters of motorcycle safety, education and awareness?

This reminds me back in my brief time in college when I sat in on a Psychology class which on that day was on Perception. One of the exercises they did was the one where they flash the names of the color and participants had to shout out the name as it was displayed. The only problem with it was the names where written in a different color, for example "Green was orange; "Blue was Red and so on. It showed the mind processes the color first before the printed word in most cases.

Now you ask, what does this have to do with us as a rider? Our gray matter takes shortcuts when it is stimulated. You hear of profiling all the time and we in the motorcycle world are no different in doing it without thinking. We associate a rider on a particular bike and it is only human nature to mentally place that person in a category.

We do that with all the organizations, NRA,PETA, TEA PARTY,ALCU, Republicans, Democrats- you have an opinion on each of these groups and what they are about,. Your opinion maybe correct or could be wrong, but it will not be identical to others. We understand a combination of what is presented and how we use that information. A person or group that is consistent and competent when they are presenting their side has a better chance of getting a more accurate description of the purposes.

I wonder how that person I talked to at Home Depot had missed the years that ABATE's Safety and Awareness booths that have been set up at some many events, the stiffer penalty bill, the vertical tag issue, not counting the issue in Delray where there was a mass effort to keep the streets open for riders. How did this person get stuck on a "no helmet" frame of mind?

I gave him a newsletter told him to go to www. ABATESE.ORG and check out what it is all about for himself. He also stated that he was going to Café 27 on Sunday and I hope to be able to see him again. There I will be able to spend time introducing him to some of the members that will be there who are also the ones that are watching out for him as a rider. Perhaps I can change his opinion enough to get involved and join; who knows he could be the next greatest freedom- fighter.

Like the famous saying; "You only have one chance to make a first impression". This goes along with the "First thing learned will be the strongest thing learned".

Members, when introducing someone to ABATE, consider what they will remember the most, and whether it will be a fair account of what we are all about. Or will they just think of us as the "no helmet people"?

In closing..... yes I cut my hair to make a better first impression in my somewhat of an odyssey in search of employment.

Till next time,

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Old H ippy

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#### December 10, 2011, at 12 noon.

The U.S. Military Vets M/C, along with the Air Force Association Gold Coast Chapter 351, and the Patriot Guard, are hosting this event for the 4th year in a row and we would like to take this time to invite everyone to come out and REMEMBER with us the sacrifices that were given for our freedom.

Currently there are over 8,000 veterans in this cemetery, and each year we have been blessed to be able to increase our sponsorship through various individuals, clubs and sponsorship. Please help us reach our goals to one year cover the entire cemetery. Last year was a record breaking event, THANKS TO YOU. For every two wreaths purchased, we receive a third from the Wreaths Across America Organization. Sponsor a wreath for just \$15 each (no limit) to honor all veterans - Deadline for Submissions November 11, 2011 - Veterans Day! Please make checks payable to: Wreaths Across America, c/o Bill "Can-Do" Rugg, 2356 NW37 Avenue, Coconut Creek, FL 33066

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## A Special Message!!

I hope everyone will help contribute to this article and let me know when someone is sick or injured.

We usually find out at meetings about these kinds of things and by the time we get a card and have it signed another month has gone by. It will be not much different having this article, but a lot more members will know which one of us is in need of a friend and we can either visit or call to let them know we care. This is our first month and I have five brothers to write about, but we all wish there would be many months with nothing to report.

Terry "The Blindman" had surgery and is still stuck in the house.

Raul "El Diablo" Acosta had an accident, getting better and is recuperating at home.

Lionel "Primo" Arista had an accident a while back and is fighting to get better.

"Jester" had an accident awhile back too. He looks like he is doing very well and back to riding again.

**And let's not forget about** <u>Chris Brennan</u> **our former Road Captain who is still in rehab.** For more information contact: OldHippy at 954-770-7366. Or Karin at: 954-430-0487.

We just want you to know that we're thinking of you, wish you all the best, and hope you'll be well soon!

Thank you,

**Ride Safe and Free** 

Karin









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#### Happy Birthday!

This month's Birthday Party at Shank's was a great success; I hope everyone had a great time. The "Over the Hill" cake was my special addition for the VP and all 38 of you enjoyed the theme. Thanks to the staff and Paul Bosse for the specials. Thank you also

to all of you for attending your Brothers & Sisters Birthday Bash.

The Birthday Party for August 2011 will be at Mickey's on Aug. 20th which is the same day as our "Biker Appreciation Celebration".

We'll meet at the same time as always between 7-8pm, for directions see the advertisement in the newsletter or listen to the hotline please.

I hope to see everybody there and have a wonderful Birthday to everybody below!

Remember: This is "Our Party" to celebrate all members Birthday's each month and they love to have you there. We will meet between 7-8 pm.

Kevin - Keltics MC Kenny "Shadow" Shaggy - Keltics MC Debbie Foster Michael - Keltics MC Luis- Hermandad MC "Luis" Todd Galvin Emil - Hermandad MC "50" Frank T Hammons "Frank T" Tony Denito



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Remember if your name is not included, please contact me. Birthday information is not automatic when you register to be a member. Please see me at any meeting, or give me a call if your name is not on our list. Send info to karin.rylands @att.net or call 954-430-0487.

Till next month Ride Safe and Free.

### Karin

Pics from Our July Birthday Party















The person or couple who can guess the names of the most people in the July ad & this ad will receive a brand new 32" flat screen tv. The total faces are 71. (Last month and this month. Each face has an asociated number. Clearly PRINT the name and the associated number and return the sheet to Lisa at Mickey's, no later than Wednesday, August 24th... just 3 days before the BIG EVENT! If you are the first person to get the most names correct you'll be taking home a brand new TV.

Live Music by "Soulicide", Free BBQ, Giveaways and Door Prizes, Cheap Booze and Beer, Jello & Puddin' Shots, 50/50, Vendors and all our friends. Group Photo at 10PM Come & Be A Part of Mickey's History!

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It has been brought up to me by many people that it seems that the numbers of members and other riders seem to be less and less involved with rides and events. After talking to some of them it is evident that in these times where we have a lot of riders who are experiencing the down economy in many ways. From the added cost of living taking a part of their paychecks, to even like myself, having to rely on the measly unemployment checks for the first time in my life, having to make do with it to live on. This makes even the fuel cost, even though we get good gas mileage on our bikes, play a major factor in what we can do. Gone for some of us is the weekend of burning 3 tanks of fuel on a road trip, let alone the other expenses that are part of it, like food and drinks. It is not that they are shinning us, or anybody, it's just they cannot afford it anymore.

This Chapter, even with all the members we have, is a good example of the repercussion that the economy has taken on us. Participation on rides is down and talking with other clubs and organizations they also are feeling the effect of times with their members also having to curb their participation. The Newsletter is also suffering; advertisers are pulling their ads due to their lack of business, which unfortunately we, as the Chapter have to make up the difference in order to produce it.

Gone, for now are the days we could amass a large group to ride or to go to events, plus the backing of some of the businesses that was able to support us in the past through their ads all due to these times. Hopefully we will all get through this tough time and continue to provide riders with this Newsletter in some form or another to help keep you informed.

Remember to support ABATE of Florida, especially this Chapter (SE) any way you can, because we fight for our Rights and Freedom as riders.

This is all I have for now...

Ride Free and Ride Safe

OldHippy











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8-14 71st Annual Sturgis Bike Week 12 to 14, - 16th International South Florida Tattoo Expo 14 - AOA MC 44th Anniversary party \*21 - Wings of Gold MC Port Saint Lucie Annual

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9 (Friday) - Outcast MC Party

- 11 States Pompano MC 18th Key West Tuneup party
- 17 USMVMC Wreaths Across America Kick-off
- 15-18 Phil Peterson's 38th Annual Key West Poker Run
- 18 Wings of Gold MC Miami "After Key West party"
- 25 Southern MC Teddy Bear Run & party

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- 9 AOA MC Treasure Coast party
- 13-16th Daytona Biketoberfest (Note: originally 20-23rd)
- 16 Keltics MC Miami party
- 22 USMV MC Homestead benefit party
- 23 SE ABATE 31st Annual Motorcyclists Rights Rally
- 29 Wheels of Man MC 38th Annual Halloween party
- \*30 Alternative Treasure Coast Annual

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Is forgiveness a conscious choice, a physical act involving the will, or is it a feeling, an emotional state of being? The Bible offers insight and answers to these and many more common questions about forgiveness. Colossians 3:13 says "Bear with each other and forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another. Forgive as the Lord forgives you."

I believe God honors our commitment to obey Him and our desire to please him when we choose to forgive. He completes the work in His time. We must continue to forgive (that's our job), by faith, until the work of forgiveness (that's the Lord's job), is done in our hearts.

Remember Jesus commanded us to forgive. We can learn from the Bible, if we don't forgive, neither will we be forgiven: Matthew 6:-14-16 "for if you forgive men when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you do not forgive men their sins, your Father will not forgive your sins.

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### From Your Safety Director





Well I hope that everyone had a great 4<sup>th</sup> of July. There were some jerks that shot off their guns in my neighborhood. I found a 9mm bullet in the driveway in the morning. Don't shoot your guns in the air. The bullets WILL come down somewhere. The following weekend I went to the ABATE Leadership Seminar in Clermont FI. We had a great time. I got to meet a lot of folks from all over Florida. It did seem that everyone talked about the same safety issues, riding in the rain, the heat, and the amount of cagers that do not see us. Slow down if riding in the rain, I do not know if is just me or what, but it seems that the more they work on the roads, the more they flood. Sometimes the road looks like it is just wet, when there really is a deep puddle. Then you get out the next day and it is 100 degrees out. You are going down the hot asphalt road, sitting on a hot motor, with the hot sun beating down on you. You may feel ok while you are moving, but when you are in heavy traffic, you heat up fast. Drink a lot of water when you are riding.

Have a bottle with in reach for when you stop at the lights. It may get warm, but it is wet, and it is putting fluids back into your body. By keeping your body hydrated, it will be easy for you to keep an eye out for those that are too busy to look before turning or changing lanes. Watch to see who is on a phone, or talking to others in the car with them. If you are paying attention to them, then there is at least one of you on the road that is paying attention of what is around them.

Ride Safe, David "Gimpy "Gregory Safety Director

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### Motorcycle Riders Foundation

## Motorcycle Statistics Fact or Fiction?

Analysis A number of inaccuracies and inconsistencies have been uncovered in examining data related to motorcycle crashes, injuries and fatalities. If the information is incorrect it can only lead to theories and conclusions that are also incorrect or, at the very least, suspect.

Solution Since much of the data is obviously flawed and most of the conclusions are therefore speculative at best, the

only true solutions to motorcycle safety are proactive measures which prevent a collision from occurring at all rather than reactive steps that may offer some level of injury mitigation only after a crash has already taken place. Rider education that prepares the motorcyclist to interact with other roadway users by learning and practicing the skills necessary for hazrd avoidance and developing a strategy to deal with real world traffic is the primary component of a comprehensive motorcycle safety plan. Additionally, educating all motor vehicle operators to be alert and free of impairment as they share the road with others is critical in deterring crashes caused by inattention.



Examples of how the motorcycling community works to address and implement these measures are as follows:

- Lobby for state legislated rider education programs and work with state program coordinator to develop, promote and improve training courses.
- **Present** "Share the Road" programs to driver education classes, civic and social organizations and public meetings.
- Introduce "Right of Way" legislation that provides prosecutors more opportunities in cases where a motorist's negligence causes injury or death to another.
- Create Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Month to remind all motor vehicle operators of motorcyclists' presence on the road.
- **Deliver** "Ride Straight" messages within the motorcycling culture encouraging everyone to ride and drive free of impairments.

Possible Errors? When errors, omissions or inaccuracies are discovered in reports or statistics, it calls into question the integrity of results. Additionally, small numbers can be easily skewed by slight or seemingly insignificant variations. Furthermore, numbers may be exploited if uncharacteristic highs or lows are used as a baseline. None of these discoveries

are intended to argue against helmet use, but rather to demonstrate that suggesting a helmet law is not the solution to motorcycle safety. Individual states need to maintain the ability to determine what measures best address the needs and desires of their residents as suggested in the National Agenda for Motorcycle Safety (NAMS)

FACT comparison of studies is complicated due to varying criteria, wherein one report references riders, it is unclear if that includes passengers or specifically operators. Other papers may refer to the numbers of persons, crashes or vehicles intermittently. This can be quite confusing as the numbers are usually very close and are frequently compared in error.

FACT A Minnesota motorcyclist survived a crash only to be struck by a car while standing on the road attempting to flag down a motorist for assistance. This was subsequently counted as a motorcycle fatality.

FACT A Pennsylvania taxi driver, with multiple suspensions, was responsible for about two percent of the state's total motorcycle fatalities when he caused a crash with three motorcycles and killed five helmeted riders in a single incident.

**FACT** Motorcycle fatalities dropped by 10% in 2009 and preliminary reports indicate that 2010 numbers will be further reduced by at least 2%. The Motorcycle Industry Council advises that sales of replacement tires were up by 6.1% in 2010, suggesting an increase in motorcycle usage. A decrease in fatalities despite an increase in exposure would suggest that motorcycle safety and awareness programs, specifically rider education courses, have been successful.

**FACT** The National Transportation Safety Board has investigated over 120,000 airplane incidents, over 60,000 surface transportation incidents, and **just 6 individual motorcycle incidents in their entire 44 year history** — Apparently enough investigation to warrant adding mandatory helmet laws for motorcyclists on their "top ten most wanted list."

FACT According to preliminary data from the Governors Highway Safety Association, states that have a mandatory adult helmet law had six fewer fatalities in 2010 than in 2009, while free choice states saw a reduction of 74. The state with the single largest decline in fatalities (Texas -60) is a choice state and a state which requires helmets on all riders tied for the greatest increase (New York +24).

FACT FARS continues to include "mopeds" in motorcycle crash statistics despite the fact that most states do not require registration of these vehicles. This practice skews the most respected method of measuring the effectiveness of motorcycle safety programs, which is the ratio of accidents, injuries and fatalities per 10,000 registrations.

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#### NCOM BIKER NEWSBYTES Compiled & Edited by Bill Bish National Coalition of Motorcyclists (NCOM)

#### FRANCE PARALYZED BY PROTESTING BIKERS

Despite pouring rain, nearly 100,000 angry motorcyclists brought every major city in France to a standstill in protest of unfair proposals including requiring every rider to wear a fluorescent yellow high visibility vest, banning traffic filtering (lane splitting), and increasing the size of motorcycle registration plates. Organized by the Federation Francaise des Motards en Colere (FFMC – French Federation of Angry Bikers) through its highly efficient network of regional and local offices, Paris alone saw more than 15,000 bikers blocking the heart of the capital, with thousands more paralyzing dozens of cities across the country for hours with demonstrations against the French government and interior minister Claude Guéant for their anti-motorcycle policies and proposals.

"Bikers in France are just fed up with Guéant's stupid proposals and his 'I can't see you, I can't hear you' attitude, to the extent that almost 100,000 of them have today stood up against their government and paralyzed the whole nation," reported <u>www. ukfrancebikers.com</u>.

In response to the largest motorcycle protest in France's history, road safety director Michèle Merli said on national radio that bikers misunderstood the proposed obligation to wear a high visibility vest but would rather propose to riders that they wear a little yellow strap around their arm so that they can be better seen by motorists.

UK France <u>bikers.com</u> says they believe that "it is not the bikers who have misunderstood the latest government's proposals but rather the French government who continue to severely misunderstand and under-estimate the safety of riders."

#### CONGRESS CONSIDERS ALCOHOL PROHIBITION

Recognizing that higher levels of ethanol in gasoline can cause engine damage and void warranties for motorcycles, all-terrain vehicles and many other small gas-powered motors, U.S. Representative Jim Sensenbrenner (R-WI) has introduced H.R. 748 to prohibit the EPA from authorizing the use of gasoline containing greater than 10% ethanol.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency recently approved E15, gasoline containing 15% alcohol, for use in 2001 or newer cars and light duty trucks, though most on- or off-highway motorcycles and all ATVs are not approved for its use, and using the hotter-burning fuel could void the manufacturer's warranty. Motorcyclists should be concerned about the availability of compatible fuel supplies if gas stations primarily provide E15 gasoline for the majority of their customers, and riders are urged to contact their Congressional Representative to support H.R. 748.

#### FEDERAL EFFORTS TO HALT "LEAD LAW"

Congressman Denny Rehberg (R-MT) successfully inserted language into an appropriations bill on June 17 to prevent the government from using federal funds to enforce a ban on the sale of kids' dirtbikes and ATVs due to the lead content of certain components.

A so-called "Lead Law" was passed by Congress in 2008 to protect children from the toxic metal typically contained in cheap imported toys, but the sales ban has also been enforced by the Consumer Product Safety Commission against youth-sized cycles which contain lead in certain components like batteries and brakes.

If passed with the Rehberg language intact, the federal funding measure would prohibit the CPSC from using money to enforce lead-content limits on off-highway vehicles intended for sale to children 12 and under.

In other developments in opposition to the "lead law", a key Congressional subcommittee has approved a bill to exempt dirtbike and ATV battery terminals and other lead-content parts from the CPSC enforcement, voting on May 12 to send the Enhancing CPSC Authority and Discretion Act on to the full Committee on Energy and Commerce for further consideration.

#### NORTH CAROLINA PROHIBITS MOTORCYCLE-ONLY CHECK-POINTS

"HB 381 an Act to Prevent Law Enforcement Agencies from establishing patterns for vehicle stops at checking stations based on a particular type of vehicle is now Session Law 2011-216," reports Doc Ski, legislative director for CBA/ABATE of North Carolina and a member of the National Coalition of Motorcyclists Legislative Task Force (NCOM-LTF).

The legislation passed unanimously through both houses of the legislature, and was signed into law on June 23 by Governor Beverly Perdue, making North Carolina the second state in a month behind New Hampshire to enact such laws in response to NHTSA funding of motorcycle-only checkpoints to stop motorcyclists en route to major biker events to check equipment and paperwork. This bill, sponsored by Rep. John A. Torbett (R-Stanley), provides that a vehicle checkpoint pattern designated by a law enforcement agency shall not be based on a particular vehicle type and must include all types of vehicles, but does not restrict any other type of checkpoint or roadblock which is otherwise lawful.

In addition to preventing motorcycle-only roadblocks, Governor Perdue also signed HB 113 to increase the minimum penalties for violating the right of way of a motorcyclist. The previous fine for this infraction was a mere \$25, but this bill sponsored by Rep. Ric Killian (R-Raleigh) calls for a \$200 fine for a driver who causes a motorcyclist to leave his travel lane. The fine is increased to \$500 if there is property damage or personal injury sustained from this violation.

#### STATES GREEN-LIGHT RED-LIGHT LAWS

Motorcyclists in a growing number of states are being allowed to go through red lights when sensors aren't able to detect they are there. Effective July 1, Virginia became the tenth state since 2002 to give motorcyclists license to proceed with caution after stopping when the device that causes the light to change from red to green doesn't activate, while a similar bill in Illinois sits on the governor's desk awaiting his signature.

HB 1981 by Virginia State Delegate Thomas A. Greason (R-Potomac Falls) allows riders of motorcycles, mopeds and bicycles to treat red lights as stop signs provided they come to a complete stop for two cycles of the light before proceeding with due care when safe to do so.

Illinois Governor Pat Quinn has until August 29 to sign or veto HB 2860 by Rep. Dan Beiser (D-Alton) which would permit motorcycle operators to proceed through a steady red signal that fails to change to green within a "reasonable period of time". In order to garner support for the measure, the city of Chicago was exempted from the proposed new law.

Kansas also recently passed a "dead red" law that allows motorcyclists to run inoperable red lights without risking a ticket, and similar legislation has passed in Minnesota (2002), Tennessee (2003), Arkansas (2005), Idaho (2006), Wisconsin (2006), North Carolina (2007), South Carolina (2008), and Missouri (2008). Texas and California have addressed the problem by passing laws to require stoplights to be fitted with sensors that can detect motorcycles.

#### PENNSYLVANIA OKAYS SUNDAY BIKE SALES

Governor Tom Corbett marked the midpoint of the 2011 legislative session in July by signing dozens of new laws, including legislation allowing Sunday sales for motorcycle dealers.

Effective in sixty days, licensed Pennsylvania motorcycle dealers will be allowed to sell, buy or trade bikes on Sunday. Current law allows the sale of motorcycle parts and other merchandise on Sunday, but not bikes.

SB 419 is designed to give Pennsylvania dealers a level playing field with neighboring states that allow Sunday sales. Supporters have said sales have fallen in southeast Pennsylvania stores and have grown in New Jersey and Maryland since Sunday sales began recently in those states.

# HARLEY-DAVIDSON AUTOMOBILE LICENSE PLATE DEBUTS IN WISCONSIN

The first-ever Harley-Davidson license plate for automobiles is now available to Wisconsin drivers to help fund safety initiatives. The new license plate is the first and only Harley-Davidson branded plate available anywhere in the United States, and it is only being offered in Wisconsin -- the birthplace of Harley-Davidson. Harley-Davidson Motor Company is partnering with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation to make the Harley-Davidson/Share the Road plates available for automobiles, light trucks and motor homes as of April 13, 2011. The cost of the plates will include a \$15 issuance fee, and an annual \$25 donation that will help support safety initiatives throughout the state.

The car-size license plate was designed in collaboration with the Harley-Davidson Motor Company Styling Team. The words "Share the Road" are displayed to emphasize the importance of motorcycle safety.

#### DELAWARE GOVERNOR VETOES HELMET LAW REPEAL

Governor Jack Markell has vetoed HB 95 which would have repealed the requirement that persons operating a motorcycle in Delaware carry a safety helmet. Since 1978 when the state repealed their mandatory helmet law, Delaware has one of the most unique helmet laws on the books by requiring riders to have a helmet in their possession on the bike, but not requiring those over 18 to actually wear one.

Even as Delaware riders hear of their governor's decision, all eyes are on Michigan where a bill to repeal their 42-year old helmet law appears destined for their governor's desk, where its fate is no more certain.

The Michigan Senate recently voted 24-14 to approve a measure that would allow motorcyclists 21 or older to go lidless if they have been licensed to operate a motorcycle for at least two years or have passed a safety course, though ABATE of Michigan opposes an amendment requiring \$100,000.00 in medical coverage to ride without a helmet, calling it excessive and noting that many insurance companies don't offer such coverage, and if they did the cost would be prohibitive.

ABATE says they will fight to have the insurance requirement removed as the bill moves through the house, but though republican Governor Rick Snyder remains noncommittal he has hinted to the Detroit News that he's willing to consider the elimination of Michigan's motorcycle helmet law in the context of general auto insurance reforms that he's preparing to propose to lawmakers. Three previous attempts to repeal the helmet law have been vetoed by prior governors, twice by Snyder's immediate predecessor democratic governor Jennifer Granholm.

#### JUDGE UPHOLDS PATCH-HOLDERS RIGHTS

"A federal judge has rejected an unprecedented bid by the U.S. government to seek control of a gang's name and its identity - via its logo - through a court order in a case involving the notorious Mongols motorcycle club," according to the Associated Press report regarding an eight-page ruling by U.S. District Court Judge Otis Wright, II who wrote on June 28, 2011 that he must "regrettably" rule in favor of the Mongols because the group itself was not named in a 2008 racketeering indictment.

To summarize the Court's findings, Aid to Injured Motorcyclists (A.I.M.) Attorney Boyd Spencer of Pennsylvania wrote: Since the Mongols Nation Club was never indicted, much less ever convicted of any criminal act, then the criminal forfeiture of the trademark owned by the Mongols Nation was in total error.

The Mongols Motorcycle Club, or Mongol Nation, owned the trademark of the club colors since 1969.

Any assignment made by any member of the club to himself or any other individual was void. This is because the trademark was a collective membership mark which can only be owned by the organization for which the Mark stands. Only the Mongols Club, or Mongols Nation could have a property interest or own the patch, colors, or trademark for the patch or colors.

Since the Mongols were not indicted in the criminal action, the property of anyone other than the defendants in a criminal action, cannot have their personal property forfeited.

This order, and the prior litigation that led up to this order, is a victory for the rights of motorcycle clubs to own, display, and fly their colors, without forfeiture by the government.

QUOTABLE QUOTE: "What lies behind us and what lies before us are tiny matters compared to what lies within us." Ralph Waldo Emerson (1803-1882) American Poet & Philosopher



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To print a newsletter to keep all bikers informed with regard to legislative actions and events around the state and throughout the country.

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

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

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

To promote safe riding habits without infringing on individual rights.

To educate the public about motorcycle awareness.

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## UPCOMING SE CHAPTER MEETINGS

August 21, 2011 - Sunday 10 am September 18, 2011 - Sunday 10 am

at:

American Legion Post #321 Cooper City 9081 SW 51<sup>st</sup> St. 954-434-0965 From Griffin Rd. and SW 90<sup>th</sup> Ave. go South to SW 51<sup>st</sup> St. then west 1/8 mile.

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