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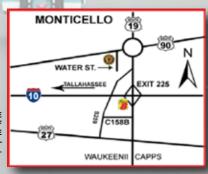
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WHO WE ARE

- ABATE of Florida, Inc. is 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, and political awareness.
- We fund our work by holding a series of annual events at different locations within our service area and other motorcycle activities.
- We are your neighbors and 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 under the laws of Florida as a motorcycle rights organization or MRO. We are currently the only political MRO in Florida representing the interest of its members and the motorcycling public at-large.
- WE ARE NOT A CLUB OR A GANG.

ABATE is open to all individuals age 18 and older interested in motorcycle rights, safety or education. It doesn't matter what you ride or even if you ride. Everyone is welcome to join ABATE of Florida, Inc., which ensures YOUR opinion and views on motorcycle laws will be heard.

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Some of ABATE of Florida, Inc.'s Accomplishments

• On July 1, 2000, we had the 30 year old Florida Helmet law repealed; July 1, 2010 was our 10th Anniversary of Freedom of Choice.

• We've become the 4th largest State Motorcycle Rights Organization (MRO) in the country (IN & IL are 1&2, we regularly switch for 3rd & 4th with PA).

• We got the handlebar heights law modified.

• We successfully fought a bill that would forbid our children from riding on our bikes.

• We successfully fought the bill that would confiscate motorcycles for going 30MPH over the speed limit.

• We developed an effective MSAP program that has raised motorist's perceptions and awareness of motorcycles, and have received funding from the State of FL totaling over \$750,000 to promote motorcycle safety and awareness.

• We successfully fought the bill against vertical tags that had over \$1,100 in fines for a first offense.

• Supported and fought for a texting-while-driving ban for the last few years.

• Our 2009-2010 Stiffer Penalties Bill made it through five of the FL House & Senate's committees; this is the farthest it has gone in the number of years we have tried. On the last day of session, a committee member strenuously attempted to attach a revival of the helmet law to our Bill. To avoid a new helmet law in Florida, we had to kill the Bill.

• We publish monthly Press Releases and/or Articles of Interest in many online & print publications, including Florida Full Throttle.

• The President of ABATE of Florida, Inc. has been asked to be on and currently sits as a member of The Motorcyclist Advisory Council (MAC) to the Federal Highway Administration in Washington, D.C. The Secretary of the U.S. Dept. of Transportation may appoint a representative from only two State MROs throughout the entire U.S.A. to be on this council.

• The President of ABATE of Florida, Inc. sits as the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the National Collation of Motorcyclists (NCOM). NCOM has over 1000 member organizations.

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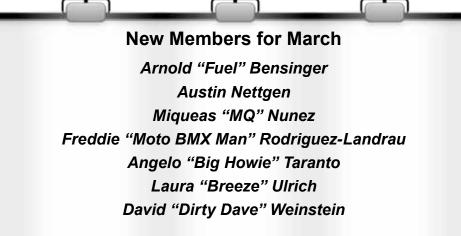




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You have 30 days from the last day of your expiration month to renew your membership, or be deleted from the State's List. Also (very important) be sure to notify us of any changes. NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: On or by the 2nd Sunday of each month for articles, ads, flyers, etc.









From Your President

Check it out! I just found out that it is illegal for you to wear a mask or cover your face on your motorcycle,but the police do not generally enforce it. If they want to check you out, they could use that as the reason they pull you or your friends over. They call it probable cause. I double checked with our Legal Counsel, Brad Winston, and he confirmed that it is true. So my advice is, if you want to cover your face to protect yourself from the weather, make sure all your paperwork is up to date and you don't have anything illegal on your bike, so I guess I am saying CYA.

A couple of other things have been brought to my attention:

* In Florida, there is no State hands-free law although personally I wish there was. In some cities, the police can get around this by writing a ticket for \$250 for Driving While Distracted if they see someone talking or texting on their phone. I know that none of you bikers out there talk and text while driving. We all need to be careful and aware of other people on the road. Always try and leave yourself an out, in case you come across one of these knuckleheads.

*In Dade County, they are still giving tickets out for Red Light Camera Violations. It seems like the yellow light times are shorter and shorter. It is easier to pay that ticket than to go to court to fight it and lose a day's pay. I don't want you to have to do either of those things, so watch the lights down there. They will bite you in the butt (where you keep your wallet) and I know because they got me.

.So now on a good note, we are setting up a lot of Safety and Membership booths around town and all our hard work is starting to pay off. We are getting new members and spreading the word. I would like to thank everyone who is going out to these events and helping us set up and run the booths. We are talking to a lot of people who didn't know of us before. Let's Make ABATE Great Again! Hey, that would make a good slogan for a ball cap, LOL!

To Poppie, "Hey, bro, you are going to have so much fun with your grandkids and great-grandkids. I will miss you so much and I am a little jealous. Thank you for everything you do for ABATE and for showing this old bass player how things are done. You are my friend and you are my brother. I will definitely come and visit you and Joanne. Much love!!"

Finally, we have some big events coming up. Monday, April 15th, is ABATE of Florida's 22nd Annual Freedom Rights Rally and Ride to the Capital in Tallahassee. Come and join us. All are invited and welcome. Let your voice be heard. This is your chance to talk to our politicians. Sunday, May 26th is our Memorial Day Party. For information about the events, contact me or any other Board Member or Trustee.

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!

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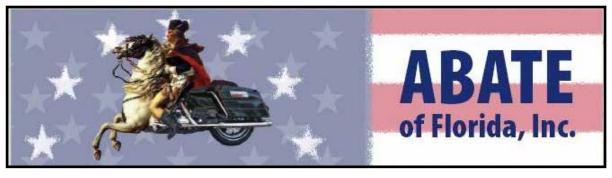
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Southeast Chapter Meeting Minutes Held at the AMERICAN LEGION POST 222 Oakland Park, FL FEBRUARY 17, 2019

Johnny Rose called the meeting to order at 10:05 am. There were 39 members present. The meeting was called to order followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and prayer by Poppie.

President's Report:

Johnny thanked everyone for showing up and remarked how well our Chapter is doing. We had a special good-bye for Poppie and his wife, Joanne. Poppie has been a long time ABATE Southeast Chapter member, our long time Chaplin, Vice President, Distribution, and other Board positions. We presented him with a special plaque, and presented his wife, Joanne, my long time gate partner, with a certificate of appreciation for all of her help. Poppie is moving to St. Augustine to be with his family in his retirement years. Many former Chapter Presidents were present and spoke about Poppie, Frank T, Bars, Jimmy Les, and Johnny spoke. Many members came to this special meeting as well. Postal spoke on Poppie and his inspiration and friendship to others. Ada spoke on how Poppie blessed her Ruby (her bike) and on the dedication and love Poppie has for our Chapter and its members. Poppie spoke on how the Fill Ins band got started, and some other memories of our Chapter. He will be missed but always in our hearts and minds.

Johnny then spoke about how well the January event went, and reminded everyone of the upcoming events and that we will be needing lots of help.

Vice-President's Report:

Old Hippy also thanked everyone for coming and reminded everyone that we will be needing help for our May event and for the upcoming State meeting in August. He will be putting together a committee for the August State Meeting.

Secretary's Report:

A motion was made to accept the minutes as printed Seconded, no discussion, all in favor; Motion was passed.

Treasurer's Report:

Sheila read the treasurers report. A motion was made to accept the treasurer's report, seconded, all were in favor; Motion was passed.

Sergeant at Arms Report:

Nighthawk thanked everyone for all their help at our January event, and reminded everyone about the upcoming May event.

Road Captain's Report:

Russ was not present and excused.

Safety Director's Report:

Teddy Bear spoke on how we are attending a lot of events and setting up a Safety Booth, and getting the word out about ABATE, We are thinking of getting him an assistant since we are getting so busy representing ABATE at different events. We recently have been invited to Alligator Alley Harley Davidson for Bike Nights and other events, and to Cycle Gear on University, for their Bike Nights, which is turning out to be very good for ABATE.

Products Report:

Laurel (Little Bit) was not present but Sheila reported for her, that product sales are going very well. The long sleeve shirts were a big hit, especially since we had some cold riding days last month.

Events Coordinator:

Gabe was not present and excused. The January event was a great success for our Chapter and for American Legion Post 36.

State Representative Report:

Wavy was not at the meeting, as he was at Alligator Alley Harley Davidson Demo Days, setting up a Safety Booth and promoting ABATE, so Marie spoke about the State meeting. Doc (our State President) wants to get an idea from each Chapter about a possible cruise to the Bahamas. Doc spoke about all the bills in the Senate and in the House. We have a good chance this year to get our safety money. He stressed how important it is, going to Tallahassee for the Ride to the Capital this year, and speaking to all our representatives. May is again Motorcycle Awareness month, and he is hoping to speak with our new Governor, Ron DeSantis. Certifying people for our safety program (MSAP) was discussed. He spoke about the NCOM Convention in Orlando in May. Since we no longer do the State Party (i.e. Spooks & Scoots and Avon Park), they are trying to have each chapter get together with two or more other chapters and do a one-day event. The first one is June 1st by the West Coast chapters. The idea of having all the State meetings in the central part of the State was voted down. The Leadership Seminars are also going to be held in Ocala. Seminole Chapter has been suspended for two months. For more in depth details, see the Master Link at www.abateflorida.com. The next State meeting will be in Tallahassee in April.

Membership Report:

Sheila read the membership report and reported we just keep continuing to climb with new members. We have 145 new members since last June, and that the State has recognized our Chapter with three more certificates, 2 for most new members, and one for highest percentage of growth.

Newsletter Editor:

Ada (Abby Normal) mentioned there were minor three boo-boos in the February newsletter and that they will be corrected for the future.

Legislative Report:

Brad was present and reported on the Vulnerable Road User Bill. A question came up about what exactly the RICO Act is. Brad gave us a brief explanation. Lefty asked about wide stripes on the road and if ABATE can talk to the legislature about it, but Brad told him that it is something that is done by DOT (Department of Transportation) and not the legislature, and we should contact them with the issue.

Legal Counsel:

Brad had nothing to report.

Public Relations:

Fern was present. She reminded everyone about getting information to her for the Hotline and that all is running well. She also got us a new member.

Billing and Invoicing:

Sheila reported everything is up to date.

Social Director Report:

Sandy brought a beautiful chocolate cake in honor of Poppie and a vanilla birthday cake for everyone to enjoy.

Newsletter Distribution:

Poppie reported all is going good, and thanked everyone who is helping with the deliveries. Wavy will be taking over for Poppie, as the Newsletter Distribution Trustee.

Quartermaster Report:

Bob was not present and excused.

Photographer's Report:

Barry was not present and excused. Ada reported that she is taking a lot of pictures.

Webmaster's Report:

Ada (Abby Normal) reported that all is running and up to date.

Old Business:

The Tallahassee Ride to the Capital was discussed, who is going, and how many rooms we might need. .

New Business:

Our State Meeting in August was discussed some more. Jimmy Les mentioned the Orange Blossom Festival this weekend, and that he puts up a giant American Flag and people make donations when they get their picture taken with the Flag. He is going to donate the proceeds to ABATE Southeast Chapter and he needs volunteers there, to help set up and take down, and to educate people about ABATE. Please let him know if you can help.

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Good of the Order:

We have gun drawing tickets for ABATE of Florida, like last year, see Sheila to buy tickets or check out a book to sell. Upcoming events were discussed. We have a Safety booth set up at the following monthly events: the 1st Friday of the month at Bike, Cruise, and Concert Under the Stars VFW 1966, the 2nd Tuesday of the month at Cycle Gear Bike Nights on University, and the last Saturday of the month Alligator Alley Harley Davidson Bike Nights. Hermandad MC Annual on March 3rd, US Military Vets MC party on March 23rd, American Legion Post 180 Biker Bash (and crawfish, yum!) on March 23rd, States MC Annual on April 14th.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was called for, seconded, all were in favor. The next Chapter Meeting will be March 17th at the American Legion Post 222, in Oakland Park, Florida.

See you on the Road Marie Baxter, Secretary, Southeast Chapter





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Respect and Brotherhood

If you have lived this long, one can only hope that you know the meaning of the word Brotherhood. It really does mean something in the biker subculture. Many groups require that each member MUST ride a motorcycle. In the spirit of Brotherhood, ABATE doesn't. Many of our members cannot ride anymore due to disabities Many have lost their scooters and are rebuilding. That is

where the Brotherhood & camaraderie come in. We were originally formed as A Brotherhood Against Totalitarian Enactments, in response to keep motorcycle choppers, with extended front ends that were deemed unsafe, on the road; but now ABATE deals with a large variety of motorcycling related issues. Motorcycle safety training, health insurance issues and road engineering with respect to motorcycles are all areas dealt with by us.

A Brotherhood like ABATE is there also to promote fun in the biker lifestyle. We hope you ALWAYS keep in mind that you will be wearing a patch that represents our organizatij2on. RESPECT is what is expected. If you have been around long enough, you know that respect does not stop at members of the Brotherhood. Keeping this in mind will go a long way in promoting good will toward all organizations. What we want is maximum fun at any and all events. As Members of the Brotherhood, you should conduct yourselves as such in mind.

Till Next time,



OldHippy

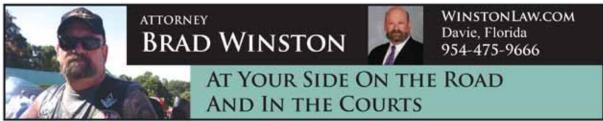








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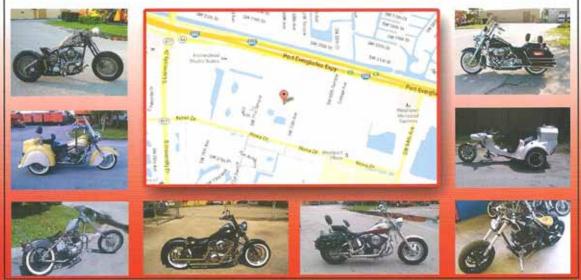










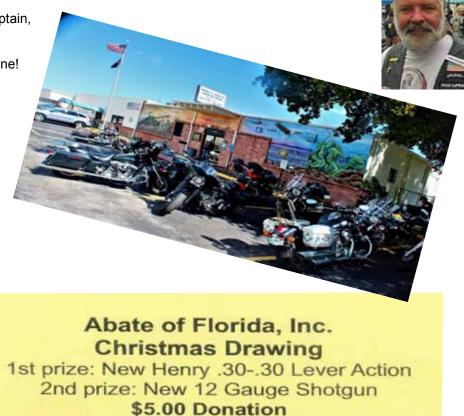


From Our Road Captain

<u>*T*</u>his month we've had a few great rides with friends and we've gotten more members and more people helping out which is great. On our rides, I've noticed a lot of debris on the road so please be careful and please watch out, heads up, a lot of crap on the road. Okay everybody, be safe, keep your bikes in working order, and make sure everything's where it belongs.

Till the next time, keep the Sunny Side Up and the Rubber Side Down.

Your Road Captain, Russ Be safe everyone!



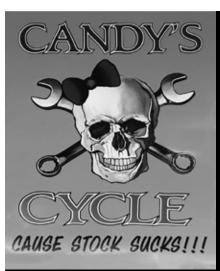
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From Your Safety Director

February was a busy month. We had many events to setup at. First I want to thank Wavy for helping out as I am still down with my leg problems. Alligator Alley had their Demo Day (I did manage to stop buy for a short visit) and their bike nights. Also VFW 1966 had there monthly event. So every one that helped Wavy and Shelia Thank You.

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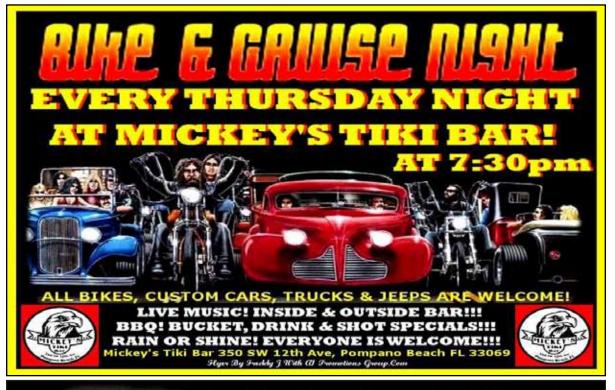
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OLDHIPPY'S CORNER

I decided to do a little bit on big business. Face it they are the big bucks behind any everything. Without them it would make it impossible to put out such a large propaganda campaign where they try to influence. I am going to recite a few paragraphs from a speech Roosevelt gave before the 1936 Democratic National Convention in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania on June 27, 1936 to show; even then the power was noted. And not much has changed.

"America will not forget these recent years; will not forget that the rescue was not a mere party task. It was the concern of all of us. In our strength we rose together, rallied our energies together, applied the old rules of common sense, and together survived."

Since that struggle, however, man's inventive genius released new forces in our land which reordered the lives of our people.

The age of machinery, of railroads; of steam and electricity; the telegraph and the radio; mass production, mass distribution - all of these combined to bring forward a new civilization and with it a new problem for those who sought to remain free.

For out of this modern civilization economic royalists carved new dynasties, new kingdoms were built upon concentration of control over material things. Through new uses of corporations, banks and securities, new machinery of industry and agriculture, of labor and capital - all undreamed of by the Fathers - the whole structure of modern life was impressed into this royal service.

It was natural and perhaps human that the privileged princes of these new economic dynasties, thirsting for power, reached out for control over government itself. They created a new despotism and wrapped it in the robes of legal sanction. In its service new mercenaries sought to regiment the people, their labor, and their property.

And as a result the average man once more confronts the problem that faced the Minute Man. The hour's men and women work, the wages they received, the conditions of their labor - these had passed beyond the control of the people, and were imposed by this new industrial dictatorship. The savings of the average family, the capital of the small businessmen, the investments set aside for old age - other people's money - these were tools which the new economic royalty used to dig itself in.

Those who tilled the soil no longer reaped the rewards which were their right. The small measure of their gains was decreed by men in distant cities.

An old English judge once said: "Necessitous men are not free men." Liberty requires opportunity to make a living - a living decent according to the standard of the time, a living which gives man not only enough to live by, but something to live for. For too many of us the political equality we once had won was meaningless in the face of economic inequality. A small group had concentrated into their own hands an almost complete control over other people's property, other people's money, and other people's labor - other people's lives. For too many of us life was no

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longer free; liberty no longer real; men could no longer follow the pursuit of happiness. We are poor indeed if this nation cannot afford to lift from every recess of American life the dread fear of the unemployed that they are not needed in the world. We cannot afford to accumulate a deficit in the books of human fortitude."

Nothing has really changed basically, the conservatives of today are the Tories... and every bit as untrustworthy now of America, the only entity with the size and authority to offset corporate power is the government. That may be true. Unfortunately, we are living in a kakistocracy where the government is controlled by the very people from whom we hope the government to save us.

So the question becomes — is there any hope for this Great Country of ours once the bankers are in control of our government? I think it's a combination of both irrational behavior and rational anger at the government. The vast majority of terrible policy is supported by both parties – on foreign policy, human rights, and finance industry.

For the vast majority of people, the government is an entity that makes your life difficult for no good reason – the city of LA telling homeowners they can't cut down trees over 4" in diameter, the USDA forcing small farmers to comply with factory farm regulations, the police that don't investigate robbery, the zoning board that tells you that you can't build an addition, the licensing fees and training requirements to braid hair...

But for large corporations, the government is an entity that does you favors. It writes you bailout checks, insists your oil spills weren't that bad, and lets you track with unknown and potentially hazardous compounds...

So the same government that won't let someone in San Francisco expand their porch allows mining companies to remove mountain tops. (I realize these are separate government entities but that fact is lost on most people).

American democracy no longer exists. Our representatives rarely understand and comprehend the legislation which they pass. Minority parties (e.g. the Republicans in the Senate and the Democrats in the House) are often prevented from getting their amendments and bills on their respective agendas. And in many cases, the Executive Branch does the actual 'legislating' without approval of Congress.

Nevertheless, we call the United States a Constitutional Democracy Limited liability corporations are creatures of the state and, thus extensions of it. The distinction between these creatures and their creator has become blurred to the extent that the abuses of the one are intermingled with the abuses of the other.

The blurring has proceeded in a cycle of advance and retreat since the supremacy of the federal state over its constituent states was settled in the aftermath of the civil war of 1861-65, first in the



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great consolidations of commercial power 1865-1913 (capped by the establishment of the Federal Reserve System), then in the regimentation imposed by the first chapter of the World War, 1914-1918, the corporate state expansion in the 1930's to address the financial and economic crisis generated by WWI and its consequences, the reprise of total mobilization for chapter 2 of the World War, 1939-1945, and the expansion of the warfare-welfare security state incubated by the 45 year 'cold war' which established habits of covert governance and massive spending for the security organs that persists to the present. The end product of this development which we now inhabit is a Special Interest State that is codependent with its corporate enablers, whether serving the financial/capital allocation system, the internal and external security organs, or the welfare-education entertainment-indoctrination establishment.

"Fascism should more appropriately be called corporatism because it is the merger of state and corporate power." – Benito Mussolini

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<u>'GREEN NEW DEAL' SEEKS TO OUTLAW GAS-</u> POWERED VEHICLES AND GASSY COWS

In very broad strokes, the Green New Deal legislation laid out by Congressional Democrats sets goals for some drastic measures to cut carbon emissions across the economy, from electricity generation to transportation to agriculture.

The nonbinding resolution calls for "10-year national mobilizations" toward accomplishing a series of objectives that the legislation lays out. Among the most prominent, the deal calls for "meeting 100 percent of the power demand in the United States through clean, renewable, and zero-emission energy sources." The ultimate goal is to eliminate fossil fuels, shifting away from oil, coal and nuclear power, in favor of ecofriendly energy such as wind and solar power.

The Green New Deal calls for "replacing non-essential individual means of transport with high-quality and modern mass transit," which is a flowery way of calling for a ban on gas-powered passenger cars, trucks and motorcycles, as well as airplanes.

According to the legislation, within the decade;

- Achieve a net-zero carbon economy with 100% clean renewable energy

- Eliminate internal combustion engines and expand electric car manufacturing

- Overhaul transportation systems and make air travel obsolete by expanding high-speed rail

- Retrofit all existing buildings for energy efficiency

- Work with farmers "to eliminate pollution and greenhouse gas emissions" such as cow farts

- "Economic security" for all, including higher education, jobs, wages, housing and health care

In short, the legislative framework combines climatechange-related ideas with a "dream" list of progressive economic proposals that would affect every American and overhaul the U.S. economy, all at an initial estimated cost of up to \$6.6 trillion a year over the decade.

Importantly, the bill, introduced on Feb 7 by Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez (D-NY), is a nonbinding resolution, so even if it were to pass it wouldn't itself create any new programs but would instead establish a lofty set of ideals the House should pursue in the coming years.

NUMBER OF AMERICAN HOUSEHOLDS WITH MOTORCYCLES IS ON THE RISE

More U.S. households than ever before now own one or more motorcycles. A recent study conducted by the Motorcycle Industry Council (MIC) shows that the number of American households with at least one motorcycle in their garage has reached 8.02% in 2018. According to the MIC, in decades of surveying, this is the highest percentage ever reached, and represents a 15.6-percent increase over 2014 (when ownership was 6.94%); an increase of more than 1.5 million homes.

"The household penetration numbers have always been among the most important figures to us," said MIC President and CEO Tim Buche. "We're certainly happy to see more homes that have a motorcycle. Riders who talk about motorcycling to friends and neighbors help to inspire people who don't yet ride."

Out of an estimated 126,224,000 households in the United States, over 10 million now own (at least) one bike. In fact, the number of motorcycles per household has been calculated to average around 1.30, meaning some families own more than one bike.

According to the MIC survey, the total number of motorcycles owned also reached record levels, jumping to 13,158,100 last year, an increase of more than 2.5 million motorcycles compared to 2014, the last time the MIC conducted the survey. It is even higher than the previous record from 2009 (11,704,500), which followed a long period of high-volume new-bike sales.

The estimated number of motorcycles in use rose to 12,231,000 in 2018, an increase of more than 2 million since 2014. And that number was more than 1 million better than the record figure from 2009, when

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11,015,105 motorcycles were in use.

"Modern motorcycles are high-quality machines, enabling the pre-owned market to be a key part of the overall growth in the motorcycle and rider population," said Jim Woodruff, secretary/treasurer of the MIC Board of Directors and COO of National Powersport Auctions. "The annual pre-owned market is actually three times larger than the new market. Used bikes appeal to many riders because there are so many options in terms of price and style."

The percentage of motorcycles in running order was down 3 percentage points, from 96.1% in 2014 to 93% in 2018. "As used units become a larger part of the overall motorcycle population, it's not surprising to see a slight decrease in the percentage of operating units," Woodruff said. "Our research shows that the average age of a pre-owned motorcycle sold in the U.S. is approximately eight years old. Plus, vintage bikes are on trend now and many riders are keeping non-runners as part of their collection."

FEDERAL JUDGE SEEKS EXPERT OPINIONS ON MONGOLS PATCH SEIZURE

A federal judge presiding over the high-profile Mongols motorcycle club trial has put out a wide-ranging call for expert legal input on the implications of the government's unprecedented efforts to gain control of the trademarked insignia worn by club members.

After a Santa Ana, Calif. jury decided in December that the club must forfeit the trademark to its logo, U.S. District Judge David O. Carter's decision to solicit briefs from a variety of experts, including trademark attorneys, law school professors, civil rights organizations and think tanks, highlights the new legal ground being broken in the first-of-its-kind Mongols racketeering and forfeiture case, which has drawn national attention and is virtually guaranteed to go before the Ninth Circuit U.S. Court of Appeals and perhaps the U.S. Supreme Court.

The judge has yet to rule on key legal issues regarding the government's attempts to take the Mongols trademarks, including whether stripping the club of the rights to its patches or blocking riders from using them would constitute a violation of its members' First Amendment rights.

Unlike a typical racketeering case, in which specific

members of an organization are charged with crimes, the sole defendant in the current legal battle is the Mongols organization itself. As a result, attorneys for the Mongols also requested the judge to ask legal experts to weigh in on whether an organization is capable of forming the intent to commit crimes.

Judge Carter is scheduled to hear arguments on Feb. 28 over whether the verdicts in the Mongols case should be tossed out over legal technicalities or on constitutional grounds, according to the Orange County Register.

MOTORSPORTS EXEMPTED FROM CONTROVERSIAL EU INSURANCE REQUIREMENT

After extensive lobbying by numerous motorsport organizations, the European Parliament has agreed to exempt bike racing from the European Union's Motor Insurance Directive (MID, also known as Vnuk) which would have required all motorcycles to have a form of road traffic insurance, even if they were specialist vehicles not meant for the road.

As no insurance of this kind is commercially available, this could have seen the end of motorcycle racing as we know it across Europe.

IMCO, the European Parliament committee responsible for the MID, voted overwhelmingly in favor of exempting motorsports by a vote tally of 32 to two. During the discussion, members of IMCO adopted a report recommending excluding "vehicles intended exclusively for motorsports" as "these vehicles are generally covered by other forms of liability insurance."

The report also made clear that it was necessary a line should be drawn between 'in traffic' and 'non-traffic' situations.

The MID was proposed after Damijan Vnuk, a Slovenian farm worker, was knocked off a ladder by a tractor reversing across a farmyard. After this incident, it was decided that all vehicles, even those not destined for road use, should be insured.

The MCIA (Motorcycle Industry Association in Europe), together with U.K. bodies including the Auto Cycle Union, Motorsport Industry Association and Department for Transport lobbied against the

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European Parliament alongside the FIA, FIM and European Motorcycle Industry Association.

"This is great news and a big relief for motorsport of all types," said Tony Campbell, CEO of the MCIA. "The potential impact would have been catastrophic and likely to result in the end of motorsport as we know it."

There are still some legislative hurdles to overcome; including gaining the agreement of the EU Council, but a positive final verdict is expected later this year.

QUEBEC MAY OUTLAW MOTORCYCLES DURING WINTER

Winter may not be the most convenient time to ride a motorcycle, particularly in snowy northern climates like in Canada, but it is possible, even in extremely cold temperatures. But buried within a proposed law is a provision that would ban motorcycles from the streets of Quebec completely during the winter months, according to Canada Moto Guide.

Since 2008, Quebec has required that all vehicles registered in the Canadian province be equipped with snow tires rated for severe snow and winter traction between December 15 and March 15. This effectively banned motorcycles from the street, until recently. Now there are motorcycle snow tires available that meet Quebec's winter tire qualifications, making it legal to take advantage of an unseasonably warm day and go for a ride. Even the Sûreté du Québec, the provincial police force, recommended that motorcycles equipped with proper winter tires be expressly permitted on the road during this time of year.

Included in Bill 165, a bill to "better define the vehicles covered by the mandatory use of winter tires," however, is a provision that could put an end to all winter riding under any circumstances. The bill reads, "In order to regulate such a practice, we are of the opinion that motorcycles and mopeds must be exempted from the application of section 440.1," the winter tire requirement. "In addition, it would be necessary to add a provision [to the safety code] to prohibit their use between December 15 and March 15." In other words, if the bill becomes law, it wouldn't matter what tires were on a motorcycle during the winter -- it won't be allowed on the road no matter what. Another part of the bill proposes extending the winter tire requirement, and therefore the motorcycle ban, back two weeks to begin December 1.

With the advent of heated riding gear and motorcycle tires that meet all requirements for severe snow and winter traction, bikers can safely operate their machines year-round and legally comply with Quebec's existing law...so why not let them?

MADRID AND BARCELONA TO LIMIT TWO-WHEELER ACCESS

Entering the Spanish cities of Barcelona and Madrid on a motorcycle will now be a lot more difficult, as new rules designed to reduce congestion and pollution have come into play.

Madrid features a number of APRs (Áreas de Prioridad Residencial), areas where non-residents are not allowed to drive, and speed limits on roads into the capital have been lowered in order to cut pollution. Until now, motorcycles have been exempt from any restrictions, but that has changed as of November 30, 2018. According to Spain's motorcycle association, the AMM (Asociación Mutua Motera), Madrid will extend its current APRs into one big APR, called Central Madrid. The new APR will cover practically the entire downtown area of Madrid and motorcycles will now be party to these new regulations.

Motorcycles that were registered before 2003 will be completely banned from the city centre (38.79% of motorcycles in Madrid are registered before 1 July 2003), whereas those registered after that date can only enter the city between 07.00-22.00h. People found to be riding a bike into the city outside these parameters will be fined 90 Euros (\$102.29 USD).

MOTORCYCLES COULD COMPETE IN THE OLYMPICS

Trials riding is an amazingly difficult sport requiring years of practice, peak athleticism, and incredible control, and it may soon be an Olympiccaliber sport if the International Motorcycling **Federation** has anything to say about it. The FIM is appealing to the International Olympic Committee to have Trial-E (trials riding on electric bikes) added as a sport to the 2024 Summer Olympics, which will be held in Paris, France. If it is successful, Trial-E will be the first officially-recognized Olympic motorsport.

New sports are being added to the Olympics every year. In 2020, the Tokyo Olympics will be the first time we will see baseball and softball, surfing, sports climbing, karate, and even skateboard, all officially included as Olympic sports. The current policy for inclusion of a sport, according to IOC, is that it be: youth-focused, equally accessible for men and women, sustainable, spectacular, practiced on all continents and requires no new infrastructure, so trials riding measures up to all of these requisite metrics.

QUOTABLE QUOTE: "A people unused to restraint must be led, they will not be drove."

 \sim George Washington (1732-99), American military and political leader, 1st U.S. President

NCOM CONVENTION IN ORLANDO WELCOMES RIDERS NATIONWIDE

The 34th annual NCOM Convention is right around the corner, so plan now to be a part of one of the largest gatherings of motorcycle rights activists in the world. This year's NCOM Convention will be held Mother's Day weekend, May 10-12, 2019 at the DoubleTree by Hilton -Universal Orlando, located at 5780 Major Blvd., in Orlando, Florida.

Topics such as Motorcycle Profiling and "Save the Patch" will be among the many issues concerning our nation's motorcycle community that will be discussed, as hundreds of bikers' rights activists from the ranks of motorcycle rights organizations (MROs) and Confederations of Clubs (COCs), as well as independents and other allied riders will gather in "The City Beautiful" to address matters of interest to all riders.

Agenda items will cover various legal and

<u>legislative issues, with Special Meetings for</u> Veterans Affairs, Women in Motorcycling, Clean & Sober Roundtable and World of Sport Bikes, as well as the Christian Unity Conference and Confederation of Clubs Patch Holders Meeting. Additional seminars will be conducted regarding RICO And Its Effect on Your Organization, Restoring Your Rights, Leadership 101 and "Share the Road" Motorcycle Safety.

All motorcyclists are welcomed and encouraged to participate in the many meetings, seminars and group discussions that focus on legislative efforts and litigation techniques to protect our riders' rights and preserve Freedom of the Road.

Be sure to reserve your hotel room now for the special NCOM rate of \$114 by calling (800) 222-8733.

Registration fees for the NCOM Convention are \$85 including the Silver Spoke Awards Banquet on Saturday night, or \$50 for the Convention only. For more information, or to pre-register, call the National Coalition of Motorcyclists at (800) ON-A-BIKE (662-2453) or visit www.ON-A-BIKE.com.





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"Freedom of Choice, Freedom of the Road"

You may know us as the motorcycle organization that got the helmet law repealed in Florida or from our motorcycle rights and safety rally's throughout the year. ABATE of Florida is not a club, we are a motorcycle rights & safety organization dedicated to promoting motorcycle safety while remaining ever vigilant of the legislative issues concerning motorcyclists' nationwide.

We Are Not ANTI-HELMET, We are ANTI-HELMET Law!

One of the most popular misconceptions about ABATE is that we are anti-helmet. Nothing could be further from the truth. We are "anti-helmet law" if you choose to ride with or without a helmet it's your choice, it is your right to decide whether wearing a helmet is right for you. ABATE is an organization fighting to protect your rights.

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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.

What's Happening Locally? Call The Hotline! (954-480-3100) Or Visit ABATE Southeast Chapter's Website *http://abatese.org* <u>UPCOMING SE CHAPTER MEETINGS</u> March 17, 2019 - Sunday 10AM April 21, 2019 - Sunday 10 AM

at:

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Come & join the ranks of those who care to be involved!