

## A Union of Motorcyclists Dedicated to Freedom of the Road



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## **GENERATIONAL MEMBERSHIP SUPPORTING ABATE**



Now that I've gotten my feet wet as a newish member, I'd like to introduce myself to this awesome organization! Growing up witnessing "Pops" high level of dedication to preserving freedom of the road while running an ABATE chapter in WA, I was eager to join and help-out where I can.

Local 3 member Josh Hobelman returns home (Snohomish WA) to ride with Father Rod "Red Dog" Hobelman, Sky Valley chapter, Coordinator (retired) ABATE of WA. -Attended 40th annual Oyster Run- largest run in the state.

Hey! Josh Hobelman here, from Local 3! It's been a blast, so far! I joined Local 3 at Local 2's Sweaty Buns Poker Run back in June '23 and then had a blast working to gain sponsors for Local 3's successful Fall Freedom Run. It was an awesome experience, even somewhat easy, putting some prior Navy Recruiting experience to work. (glad it paid off for all of us with a good turnout)

I'm a fairly fresh rider and put off getting a bike for way too long. But once I got a few good miles under my belt I knew I wanted to join and support. Growing up with Pops "Red Dog", I experienced some of those old Regional Rallies and campouts, runs and parties I was probably too young for and loved it! Beyond all the fun, I saw the strong leadership necessary in running any organization, the charitable hearts, and the comradery that is instilled in this community.

"Had to get my Spring Opener run pin, I'd ride a few hundred miles to Ocean Springs and back and have you boys camping in Index before dark." Red Dog has been an active leader with ABATE of WA. Sky Valley Chapter for 26 years, joining in 1997 and becoming Coordinator (what we call President in CA) in 2005, he retired in 2023. Leaving big shoes to fill, Sky Valley's largest event is the annual Motorcycle Show, now 26th annual, that engulfs the entire historic downtown Snohomish with up to 7,000 motorcycles and 10,000 spectators. The largest





motorcycle show in the state that typically brings in \$3,000 to support charitable events, including sponsoring families for Christmas.

Not only leaving big shoes to fill for his local chapter but MY expectations for how any local should run and have not been disapointed! ABATE of CA seems strong with awesome goals that are making a difference, As Local 3's brand spankin' new Membership Coordinator, I'm eager to bring some numbers; I hope to bring motivation, enthusiasm, and growing participation.

While stationed at Port Hueneme, CA proudly serving the U.S. Navy Seabees and now ABATE of CA Local 3, I look forward to growing membership and riding with great people that share that same dedication!

See va on the road!

Josh Hobelman. Local 3 Membership Officer



#### **ABATE - Lobbyist Accomplishment Highlights**

- Steered CHP committee providing safety guidelines and legalizing Lane Splitting
- Passed yearly "May is Motorcycle Awareness Month" Resolution in the CA State Assembly & Senate
- Passed Law stopping Motorcycle Only Checkpoints
- Forced Caltrans to post "Look Twice for Motorcycle's" and "Share the Road with Motorcycles" on their Digital Freeway Message Boards
- Stopped Transponders on Motorcycles for Autonomous Vehicle Recognition from advancing thru Strategic Highway Safety Plan advisory committee.
- Assisted Off-Highway Vehicle Community in passing permanent program for State Vehicular Recreation Areas, first time in 50 Year History!
- Passed Bill legalizing Motorcycles use of HOV lanes in California
- Defeated a proposed Law by Assemblywoman LaFollette outlawing Lane Splitting by Motorcyclists in California
- Passed Law diverting Court fees on Helmet Violations to Support Motorcycle Safety Program
- Protect Yearly the Motorcycle Safety Trust Fund, where Motorcycle registration Fees are deposited
- Blocked a proposed Law allowing Roadside Motorcycle Noise ticketing
- Prevented for 6 Years a bill allowing Cameras to issue Speeding Tickets. The Fight continues for 2032 pilot program expiration! Cities included: Los Angeles, Glendale, Long Beach, San Jose, Oakland, San Francisco
- Defeated proposed Law requiring all Motorcycles pass an annual Smog test
- Passed Law grandfathering in pre 2013 motorcycle pipes for noise levels
- Defeated proposed Law requiring Motorcyclists to wear Hi Vis Reflective Vests
- Passed Senate Resolution 41 by Senator Caballero (D Salinas) Anti-profiling Resolution
- Passed Law legalizing Ape hangers Handlebars above your shoulders
- Monitor every year over 2500 proposed new Laws introduced and amendment by the California Legislature to see impact on Motorcyclists and their bikes

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#### Mission Statement

ABATE of California is committed to protect and promote the interests of the Motorcycle community. ABATE exists to preserve and safeguard the individual rights and liberties of all riders through political and legislative action. ABATE promotes motorcycle safety through education, training and public awareness.

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## Lobbyist Update & Board Meeting Info.

by Jim Lombardo Sr., The Lombardo Group, ABATE of California Lobbyist

The Legislature returned to deal with a 68 billion dollar deficit, however Governor Newsom says it's a mere 45 Billion dollar deficit! Either way there will be a lot of fighting over which State programs get cut. January 19th was the Deadline for bill requests to Legislative Counsel to the be introduced this year, our requests were submitted ahead of schedule. Upcoming, February 19th is the Deadline to have a bill introduced this year by an Assemblymember or Senator. We will be busy over that weekend reading all 2500 New bills introduced for the last year of a Two-Year Session. Be ready for the March & April Bailing Wire to read what proposed Laws affecting Motorcycles and all Us Riders were introduced. A Special Election was called by Governor Newsom to fill the Congressional Seat Vacated by our friend and former House Speaker Kevin McCarthy. Our good friend with a 100% voting record on ABATE's bills Vince Fong is running to fill the Vacancy.

The Governors budget once again has language to steal an Off Road Balance of 9 million to help fill the Budget deficit. We will be working with our off-road friends to remove that language – AMA, CORF, CORVA and others. So far, the Governors Department of Finance has not tried to steal the 9 million Dollars in the California Motorcycle Safety Programs aka Motorcyclists \$2 Registration money, we will continue to lobby to keep the 9 Million dollars in the CMSP program.

At the time of print, ABATE Members are planning to come ASacramento to Lobby the Legislature on January 24 - More to come on this update next month!

Stay Tuned...Another Very Busy Year in Sacramento.

Thanks as always to those who send their contributions to ABATE's separate and dedicated Lobbyist Account.



Feb. 17th Saturday

Online (Zoom) 9am-3pm,

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## March 5th Primary Elections

Presented by ABATE of California

#### CA Ballots Mailed out Feb. 5th.

# These Recommendations/Endorsements are purely based on how Motorcycle Friendly they are, not any of their Other Stances

#### **State Senate**

#### \*Denotes Incumbent

Megan Dahle, Farmer/Businesswoman/Mother Christopher Cabaldon, Educator/State Commissioner Carlos Villapudua, California State Assemblymember Tim Grayson, Assemblymember/Business Owner Dave Cortese\*, State Senator Rosilicie Ochoa Bogh\*, State Senator/Businesswoman Suzette Martinez Valladares, Small Business Owner Eloise Gomez Reyes, Assemblymember/Businesswoman

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#### \*Denotes Incumbent

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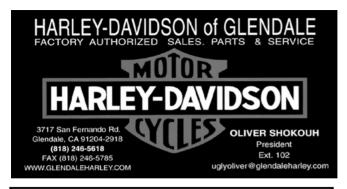
#### **United States Senator**

Steve Garvey, Professional Baseball Representative

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## Message from the Executive Director

By Chuck "Chief" Pedersen



I hope everyone had a Happy New Year. Yeah, I know it's February, but we don't publish a January Bailing Wire so this is my first chance to say it to all you motorcycle rights enthusiasts!

2024 is going to be a great year to focus on California rights and freedoms. It's an election year! Make sure

you are registered to vote. Do your research on candidates and pending bills, so you can make informed decisions. Our Bailing Wire can help with that.

The March 5th Primary Election is your first opportunity to take action. Page 5 of this issue has a list of candidates that ABATE supports, solely based on the fact that they are motorcycle friendly. (No other stance is considered.)

By the time you read this, ABATE members will have been to Sacramento on January 24th and 25th to meet our legislators to discuss 2024 bills that affect motorcycling rights. In that list of bills, ABATE and other California motorcycle groups have been successful in getting an anti-profiling bill on the 2024 docket. This has been a difficult bill to pass here in California due to law enforcement push back. Other important bill topics include restrictions on autonomous vehicles and limiting off-road sanctioned event permit fees. I ask everyone to get involved in 2024 by contacting legislators to voice your concerns and opinions about these issues. This can be done by phone, email or by sending a message to them through their government office websites.

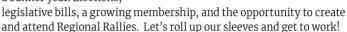
I am trying to get the ABATE Regional Rallies back on their feet. We've had a small setback in the planning of the first one. However, I am still working with our ABATE Locals and members to get something inked. In my opinion, Regional Rallies are the first step to getting the State Runs back on the calendar. I task all Locals to consider creating a rally in your area. Let me know, and I will help you find a great team of individuals to support the planning and execution process.

Team work is essential to the success of ABATE of California. The success of a team is based on respect, trust and working collectively together. As the saying goes "there is no I in team". To me this also means no egos allowed. The team must collectively work together to achieve their common goal.

Last year we saw membership numbers grow. Let's continue that great effort in 2024. Always carry a couple of Bailing Wires and membership cards and hand them out wherever you go. In each Bailing Wire there is a page dedicated to ABATE's legislative accomplishments that you can speak to. And remember to ask them to sign up. Nothing is gained if we don't. But something can be gained if we do ask.

ABATE is a volunteer organization. Many Locals have had the same officers for many years. Consider supporting ABATE by volunteering to an officer position in your Local or even the State positions. Not sure where to start? May I suggest that you start with Scribe/Secretary (that was my first position in ABATE some 30 years ago!) It is a great way to learn the process, recording decisions, without having to be too vocal. Give your existing officers a break and show that you are a supporter and not just a watcher.

Finally, 2024 will be a banner year. Elections,



Stay Safe. Stay Informed. Stay Active. ABATE's success is based on everyone's efforts. This is YOUR organization. Let's do great things in 2024.

Thank you - Chuck Pedersen





## Legislative Director's Corner

by Bobby "T" Tabaldo

Making Your Voice Heard in the California State LegislaturePart 2 of 3

#### PART II IN A III-PART SERIES

REMINDER: There are multiple ways to introduce yourself and establish a relationship.

The good news is, it really doesn't take that much time out of your life and the benefits are many. Although there is much debate regarding the use of letters and phone calls, they are still low-cost, minimum effort options. However, the face-to-face method is ideal.

WHEN MEETING WITH ELECTED OFFICIALS

#### IDENTIFY YOUR LEGISLATOR(S):

California is divided into assembly and senate districts. The easiest way to determine who your legislators are is to use the below link or QR Code.

https://findyourrep.legislature.ca.gov/



USING SCHEDULED PUBLIC EVENT TO MEET YOUR LEGISLATOR AND PITCH YOUR IDEA IN 5 MINUTES:

Each legislator schedules public meet and greet events several times a year, within their local district at various locations. If you followed the recommendation in part 1 and subscribed to your legislators news and updates through their official website, you should receive notifications when public meetings are scheduled. Most of the time, they are held at coffee shops to offer free coffee to constituents.

Formally scheduling face to face appointments with your legislator can sometimes be an exercise in frustration. However, these public events are great opportunities to actually meet your legislator and his/her staff without an appointment

to introduce yourself and pitch your idea. Since other constituents are there for the same reason, it is recommended to...

1. Work on your pitch beforehand, keeping it to 5 minutes or less. Sometimes less is more and you should be able to cover your key points and ask for key staff member contacts to follow up with. Remember, the goal is to not only get

your legislator's attention on your idea, but to a) obtain key staff contacts, 2) leave a copy of your bill idea and documents (preferably in a folder) with a staff member and 3) obtain a follow-up confirmation.

- 2. Bring a copy of your constituent idea and other material you wish to present and hand to your legislator and or their staff.
- 3. Get there early and talk to the staff setting up, asking when the legislator will arrive and where he/she will make their entrance.
- 4. Go over your pitch and refine it for timing and delivery as necessary.
- 5. When the legislator arrives try to physically position yourself (perhaps in line) otherwise, you may be waiting a while. Other constituents tend to chit chat a while so getting to the legislator first or early is highly preferred.
- 6. Introduce yourself, hand your folder to the legislator and begin your pitch. If you have a grasp of the bill history and the legislative process, you will impress the legislator with your preparedness.
- 7. Be prepared to answer questions the legislator may have. If you don't have an answer, let him/her know that you will get the answer to them or their staff after the meet and greet. This is where you obtain the names and contact information of the legislator's key staff members.
- 8. During your pitch, don't try to secure a decision right then and there. Instead, seek to follow-up and after your pitch, get with a staff member and obtain the necessary contact information to call and schedule an appointment.

#### THE CALIFORNIA STATE LEGISLATURE

California has a bicameral (two-house) Legislature composed of the Assembly and the Senate. The Assembly has 80 members who serve two-year terms, the Senate has 40 members who serve four-year terms. Each legislator can serve for a maximum of 12-years in one or both houses. Every California resident is represented by one Assemblymember and one Senator.

#### HOW A BILL BECOMES A LAW

Ideas for legislation come from a variety of sources, including an individual or group who will ask a legislator to author a bill. The individual or group then becomes the sponsor of the bill.

The proposal or idea must first go to the Legislative Counsel who prepares it in the firm of a bill draft. After the author reviews the bill draft, it is taken to the Chief Clerks desk if the author is an Assemblymember, or the Secretary of the Senate's desk if the author is a Senator. The bill is assigned a number, introduced, and read a first time.

The bill is then assigned to the Rules Committee of the appropriate house (Senate or Assembly) which refers the measure to the appropriate policy committee for a public hearing to discuss the merits of the bill and to vote on whether or not to "pass" the bill. The Legislature does most of its work in committees. Each committee has responsibility for a specific area of policy.

If the bill passes a policy committee, it then goes to the Assembly or Senate floor (depending on the bill's house of origin) where it is voted on by all the members of that house. Bills that have a financial impact on the state must also be reviewed and passed by a fiscal committee before moving to the floor. After a bill is approved on the floor, it must go through the same process in the other house.

Opportunities to influence the outcome of a bill are provided at each point in the legislative process.

You may also testify in committees in support of, or against, a legislative proposal. It is best to contact the author of the bill and let him/her know you would like to testify. For ABATE and MMA sponsored bills, the organization will inform you of the scheduling of these committee hearings and brief you beforehand.

#### WHEN TESTIFYING IN COMMITTEE

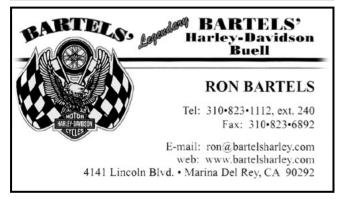
Coordinate your testimony with others testifying on the bill to ensure that statements before the committee will be to the point and not redundant. *(continued on Page 11)* 



















#### What is ABATE?















#### What is ABATE?

ABATE is a Motorcyclists' Rights Organization dedicated to preserving freedom of choice, freedom of the road on or off with emphasis on education and safety. Although not a club, our members are active in programs for public awareness, motorcycle safety and supporting charity events throughout the state. There are no special requirements for joining aside from an interest in promoting motorcyclist's rights and safety through Membership.

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## Legislative Director's Corner & Sporty's Ride

## (Legislative Directors Corner...continued from page 8)

If there are many witnesses speaking on a measure or if the committee has a long agenda, the committee chair may decide to place a time limit on your testimony.

Normally, motorcycle rights organizations as sponsors are working with the legislators and their staff and will offer to supply at least one key testifying presenter in support of the bill. These presenters will spend several minutes offering expert, informed testimony in addition to supporting data, evidence, and implications. Members of ABATE, MMA, BRO and the general public will, towards the end of the hearing, form a line and once at the microphone, state their name, the organization they belong to and whether they support or oppose the bill. The entire proceeding is recorded live and streamed through the committee's website, as well as playback opportunities.

Each bill is generally heard (debated) and voted on at least four times before passing the Legislature – first by the policy committees and then by the full membership of each house. If the bill has a fiscal impact, it is required to be heard first in a fiscal committee before going to either the Assembly or the Senate floor. Each committee and floor vote provides an opportunity to present your input though a letter, phone call or meeting, but it is also an opportunity for bills to be amended. Therefore, it is important that you stay current on the bill's status.

Directly checking the California Legislation database, newsletters and media are very helpful sources for keeping current on a particular piece of legislation. There are also official legislative publications which can be obtained in public libraries, legislator's offices, the Capitol Bill Room and on the Internet.

--END OF PART II

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- Sources of legislative information
- How to write an editorial or letter to the editor
  - Keep up-to-date automatically
  - Let your views be known

#### Sporty's Ride

By Lee "Sporty" Milligan, Board Member

Hi all,

It's been quite some time since I last spoke to you on the printed page. "What's been going on?" you might ask.

ABATE has been asking its members to visit their assembly



members and state senators to discuss our issues and concerns around current legislation being considered. In December, Jim Nickla, Pres. Local #01 and I went to a meet and greet for our Dist 20 Senator, Menjivar. As of this writing (in mid-January) we are trying to get an appointment with her for Jan 24th in Sacramento. That's ABATE's Legislative Day and we are hopeful to see her, we will have lots to report on what is in store for California's motorcycles in the future.

By the way ...This is my 33rd year with ABATE. I joined in 1991, at the LA city hall helmet protest. Back then, you still had freedom of choice. The right to wear or not wear a helmet was ours. Thanks to ASSEBLYMAN DICK FLOYD'S LIES, we now have a mandatory helmet law! He is since dead, but because of his lies, freedoms were lost, and what was the cost?

Okay, enough of my political ramblings, except that I will finish with this ... WE, the bikers of California MUST get an anti-profiling bill done this year. So, roll up your sleeves and be prepared to work with us to make the political process work, and we'll get it done. JUST DO IT.

On to ride portion of this "Sporty's Rides" extravaganza. I'll start by briefly mentioning the fun runs attended in the last couple of months ... The Fall Freedom Run, Nov 5th. I enjoy doing these Local #03 runs, because they always provide an enjoyable scenic route. Local #19's Santa Claus Inc Toy Run in Dec. was fun and very successful with 100 donated bikes and helmets. I also did the Local #01 and Glendale HD LA Toy Run. We had a decent turn out and it was a good day.

On to the current rides ... My first ride of the year was put on by Bruce, a member of Calabasas Hog Riders. Our destination was the world-famous Rock Store in Cornell, a suburb of Malibu. I had lunch there. The group l rode with milled around for a whole and then slowly departed the area. I left and took a ride through Latigo Canyon to PCH, stopped at the Malibu Starbucks for a cup of decalf, and then road home to San Fernando.

The final day of riding before this writing was Jan. 13. I started by going to the Calabasas Riders Hog Chapter breakfast meeting at the Reseda Moose Lodge. It was a cold ride to the Moose and I only stayed until 10:30 because I had an ABATE meeting in Ontario. Another cold ride but I made it in time for the meeting at 12:00 pm. That meeting lasted 2 hrs. planning a Regional Rally. More details will

be forthcoming on date, time, location, etc. in upcoming issues and at your Local ABATE meetings.

Okay, that's it for Sportys Rides for February's Bailing Wire edition.



PS ... Here's

an update on my accident case. Jan 12, I had a deposition at the Russ Brown Law office in Studio City. According to my attorney, Shelby West, the depo went decent. Based on what transpired I am scheduled for a meditation on February 16. So apparently, we're close to some sort of settlement. Keeping my fingers crossed for a fair deal.

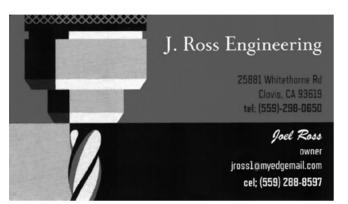
That again is all for this month's Sporty's Rides. Rember to keep your renewals, get new members, do ABATE events and talk to your local assembly and senate reps.

Scribe Sporty out.

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## Is Green the New Gray Area?

By Mark Buckner

Executive Director - Motorcycle Riders Foundation

For as long as I can remember — which is getting to be a LONG time! — those of us who love riding motorcycles and have devoted a large part of our lives to preserving and protecting our way of life have been telling anyone who would listen that the enemies of motorcycling don't just want to pass more and more restrictive laws where we're concerned. Their ultimate goal is to get us off the road entirely. A prime example of this is the recent push to outlaw internal combustion engines, just one of the issues the Motorcycle Riders Foundation and our partners in the state motorcyclists' rights organizations and the motorcycle aftermarket are fighting head on.

So why are internal combustion engines under attack? The Biden administration is calling for

one in two new cars sold in the 2030's to be fully electric. Federal incentives intended to prop up 'green' proposals have been pushed through Congress. In some states, these initiatives have become all the rage, calling for the elimination of all internal combustion engines and the end of fossil fuels as an energy source. California's plan to ban all internal combustion engines by 2035 is the most obvious of these, while similar plans have been launched around the country and the world. On the surface, that might sound bleak for those of us who love our gasoline-powered bikes, cars, trucks, and boats, but there may be good news on the horizon. As more research is coming to light from a feasibility, a financial, and an environmental perspective, initiatives targeting zero greenhouse gas emissions are being reexamined.

The Connecticut state legislature, like their counterparts in California, initially targeted the elimination of internal combustion engines by 2035, but has now decided to pump the brakes, killing Senate Bill 1145 which would have set unattainable greenhouse gas emission goals. Part of that bill would have penalized non-compliant parties up to \$25,000 PER DAY for not meeting stated objectives, labeling the penalties as a 'tax'. Other uncoordinated decarbonization 'roadmap bills' are still being considered in Connecticut, but the all-out push to join states like Massachusetts, California, and others is on the decline.

Ohio is pushing back as well. Their state legislature recently passed House Bill 201, signed into law by Governor Mike DeWine. HB 201 prohibits state agencies, counties, or townships in Ohio "from restricting the sale or use of a motor vehicle based on the energy source used to power the motor vehicle." It also specifically prohibits a state agency from adopting the California emissions standards for motor vehicles. ABATE of Ohio played a major role in getting this law on the books. In northern Europe, Norway, which had targeted zero greenhouse gas emissions by 2030, is likewise backing off on its plan as its feasibility becomes less certain.

None of this is to say that we shouldn't be concerned about pollution. We absolutely need to address these issues, especially in our major cities. But the outright elimination of vehicles powered by fossil fuels is not the answer.

Regarding the general public's opinion on an all-electric solution, many people are less than enthusiastic about moving away from



gasoline-powered alternatives. According to the Sierra Club, in 2022 66% of car dealerships did not have an electric vehicle for sale. We can only assume that's because there was no market for them. Today, thousands of car dealerships around the country are pushing back on the Biden plan, saying they can't sell the electric vehicles they already have in stock. Car manufacturers are backing off as well, curtailing production of new EVs. Why is that?

First and foremost, electric vehicles are expensive. Some studies suggest that people who can afford to buy all-electric cars represent a finite group, and that many of those consumers have already purchased an EV car or truck, meaning the available pool of buyers is shrinking. Also problematic is that due in large part to the high cost of battery replacement, there is a very small market for used electric vehicles. Basically, no

one wants to buy them knowing that a big repair bill is headed their way. While battery technology will likely improve in coming years, as of today that technology and questions about the cost of building a sufficient charging infrastructure are major concerns for consumers.

Finally, we should never forget that for the 'nanny state' crowd, going all the way back to Ralph Nader and the original safety-crats of the 1960s, the mantra has remained the same. That being, where safety is concerned, the public can't be trusted to make their own decisions or manage their own risks. In other words, these fine folks think they're smarter and better equipped to make policy decisions than us mere citizens. In their delusionary 'Road to Zero' world – where there will be zero accidents and zero fatalities – the best way to get there is to get rid of what they consider to be dangerous activities – like riding motorcycles. Eliminating internal combustion engines could go a long way towards achieving that goal.

Just as we have since the 1980s, the Motorcycle Riders Foundation is standing up for motorcycling, fighting against issues like the elimination of internal combustion engines, and we need every concerned rider to join us in our mission. If you're not already a member of the MRF, my only question to you would be 'why not?'

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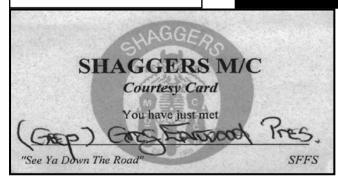
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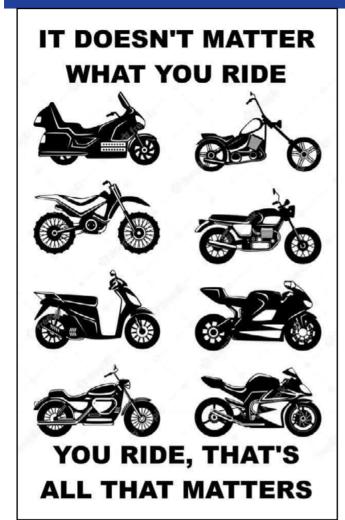








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### Locals Reports

## Local #01 Los Angeles

Well, we had our regular meeting on Tuesday 1/16 to discuss new progress on the Polar Bear Ride. We have the starting location locked in at Reseda Moose Lodge at 17751 Saticoy St., Reseda, CA 91335.



Registration is from 9:00 am to 11:00 am. The Moose Lodge will have coffee and breakfast burritos for sale. The burritos are fantastic and large enough for any hungry rider. This is always a fun and successful event! We will have run pins for the first 100 riders.

We encourage all riders to join ABATE Local #01. It's a bargain at just \$40 per year and goes a long way to helping us. Many people don't know this, but we actually pay a Lobbyist to watch and work on the issues that are important to motorcyclists.

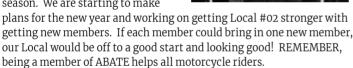
Even if you can't join right now, please come out and support this upcoming Polar Bear Ride. It's our Local's biggest fundraiser of the year to support ABATE's work and efforts in defending our rights and freedoms of the road.

Jim Nickla, Local #01

#### Local #02 Simi Valley

Hi Everyone,

I hope you all had a great Holiday season. We are starting to make



We are looking for a better place to have our Local #02 monthly meetings. The Fast N Fresh Mexican Grill is good when the weather is nice, but they don't have a room for us inside. If you have any suggestions, please let me know.

Local #02 will be working on our annual Sweaty Buns Run, to be held on July 28th 2024. Mark your calendars to attend, as this one is always a fun and successful event!

Our next monthly meeting will be February 13th. Looking forward to seeing you there. I will let everyone know if we find a new place for our meeting.

Your President/Secretary - Jane Warthen, 805-341-3386

## Local #3 Thousand Oaks/Ventura

Looking forward to this coming year, we are blessed to have our existing Officers step up to handle their responsibilities for another year. In addition, we have the benefit of a newly appointed Membership Coordinator! This lightens the load a bit for another member who had four positions last year!

Our officers for 2024 are as follows:

Chuck Pedersen, President

J. P. Martin, Vice President ..... And Run Coordinator

Kathlean Pedersen, Treasurer, Scribe..... And

Public Relations & Social Media

Ron Hupfeld, Sergeant at Arms

Rick Barrett, Safety Officer

Josh Hobelman, NEW Membership Officer



We are thankful for the dedication and support of these members!

Also, starting off already with a couple NEW members, we are excited for a successful and fun year, with events and rides and fundraisers to assist in the ongoing fight for our motorcycle riding rights.

Anyone ... and everyone ... is invited to all our meetings and events. Our Local #03 is always happy to welcome NEW members. Bike Nights

are held the 1st Thursday of each month, (weather permitting) starting @ 6:30 pm @ Azar's Sport's Bar & Grill in Newbury Park; our General Membership Meetings are on the 3rd Thursdays @ 7pm @ The Elks Lodge #2477, 158 N. Conejo School Rd. in Thousand Oaks; and periodic Sunday rides are planned by our members. We encourage anyone in the area to just show up ... or call our President, Chuck Pedersen, for times and directions. His number is on the listing of Locals in the back of this issue.

Supporting ABATE sends money to work towards fair treatment of motorcyclists. Whether you ride with ABATE or ride with another group, being a member of ABATE and/or just participating in events, contributes to the work we do protecting our motorcycle riding rights.

Our Local #03 President, Chuck Pedersen, who is also Exec. Director of ABATE of CA, along with Bobby T., ABATE's California State Legislative Director, and other members & board members, continue to network with various other groups, building alliances to present a formidable voice in Sacramento. ABATE is a group that is making things happen ... being instrumental in passing Lane Splitting legislation just a couple of years ago, and now working on Anti-Profiling, and Noise and Exhaust Bills this year! (see the flyer in this issue outlining ABATE accomplishments)

COME JOIN US ... to any or all of our meetings and events ... and bring your friends. Join ABATE and be a part of our voice in matters of motorcycling rights!

At \$40/year - it's a bargain!

Check us out on Facebook @ www.Facebook/ABATE313 to follow our events and issues.

For Our Freedom of the Road.

Kathlean "MamaBear" Pedersen – Scribe, Treasurer & P.R. ABATE Local #03

## **Locals Reports**

## Local #17 Alameda, Contra Costa,

### Solano & Napa Counties

At our December meeting we first reviewed and voted to accept the agenda notes from our November meeting, as we do every month. Then we moved on to introducing the new Officers of Local #17 for 2024. The big exception is that we still do not have anyone who has volunteered to be our President. Because of this, the members in attendance voted and accepted to hold our meetings every other month, until someone steps up to be President. Meetings will start in February, still at 11:00am on the third Sundays at Judy's Wild Wrangler.

We set aside 10% of the run profits every year to donate to a charity that is voted on by the membership in December. This year we decided to round it up to \$150 before we gave it to the Sarah Renee Phillips Memorial Scholarship Fund.

Our board now consists of Glenn continuing to do Membership, DeeDee staying as Secretary, Greg continues as Treasurer, Lynda attending to raffles, and our new board member is Teasa who will be our Run Coordinator...Thanks Teasa! Our proposed Bingo Run dates are in April, July, and October. Glenn will informally guide the meetings until a new President is elected.

We are looking for a member to become our new President. They will have all the support of the other Officers and members of the Local, as they get up to speed and lead our group.

Please try to attend our next meeting on February 18th and show your support. We always have a good time together and look forward to building our group in the coming year.

Our Biker Bucks still stand at \$100 to the winner. If you are at the meeting and your name is pulled you would win the pot, just like David Dinsmore would have if he was here in person.

Down the road, Greg

## Local #19 Pomona & San Gabriel Valleys

The big highlight since last publication was our 35th Annual Toy Run. It was well attended. Inspired by another local, we added a silent auction to the offering. Most of the items had been considered for the regular raffle. So, we were able to bring in a little extra funds than we otherwise likely would have.

Speaking of the raffle, we frequently have TVs as grand prizes in a live raffle at the end of the event. This year was no different. But this year's TV was a little larger than we normally offer...a 75"!! Turns out that several members of the Insanos opted to stay to the end of the event because one of them was hoping to win the TV... and that is EXACTLY who won it.

Have you ever seen one of those things on the back of a bike? Well, neither have I. Thankfully, one of our Local members that was helping with the event, lives very close to the venue. He was able to take the TV home, and he was going near the winner's place a few days later anyway, so he was able to deliver it then. It is great to see something nice go to someone that can really use it.

Every year we have a ride pin of some kind of rail car, and a collection of them goes together as a great Christmas train. This year we had a ride pin that memorialized our recently

passed long time member and secretary/treasurer, Diane Davis. Her nickname was Thumper, and there is a picture of Thumper painted on her bike. Even her email address was Thumper's Evil Twin @... So, the best way to represent her was, of course, to include Thumper. This year we had a Christmas lighted box car with an open door. At the door was Thumper, wearing a Santa hat. Behind Thumper was a ghosted image of a motorcycle. On the back of the pins were the words, "In Memory Of Diane Davis". They were certainly well received by those who knew her, especially her sister.

As I write this article (mid January) we are encouraging members to participate in the trip to Sacramento to meet with legislators, and object to CARB's consideration to start smog checking motorcycles, as well as the phase out of the internal combustion engine

in motorcycles. By the time this Bailing Wire is distributed we will probably have some insight into the direction they are pushing on us.

Ride Safe,

Jeff Bassler, President Local #19, Board Member ABATE of CA

#### Local #23 San Bernardino

We closed out 2023 with a few Toy Runs. As always, members of Local #23 joined Local #19 for their annual Santa Claus, Inc. event. This is a ride we always look forward to. If you haven't been through the facility, you are missing out on the big picture. Santa Claus Inc. - Chaffey District takes what



we give them and donations throughout the year to bless hundreds of families with a Christmas. We then went out to join the Devil Disciples to bless San Bernardino Salvation Army Family Shelter. To end the Toy Run season we joined Quaid Loma Linda for their run to Loma Linda Children's Hospital.



January saw us all in our cars as the weather was a blustery 38 degrees. Our monthly meeting was small, but productive. We welcomed Gary and we hope to see him back.

We are planning to get a few charity runs organized for the year. We are also looking

at shaking up how we do our monthly meetings. Thinking about a possible Coffee Shop meeting with a lunch ride to follow.

## **Local Reports**



We're looking forward to what 2024 has in store for us, with new rides, new members, and new adventures.

See you down road,

Ratchet Ron, President

#### Local #24 Fresno

Our Officers for the 2024 year are as follows:

President: Joe Rodriguez Vice President: Joel Ross Secretary: Geri Larson Treasurer: Terri Emmett

PAC Representative: Scott Loeffler

Membership: Joel Ross

Web Master: Georgi Leonardo Local Merchandise: Jim Pike Run Coordinator: Cowboy Larson

We appreciate your willingness to assist the Local by taking on these responsibilities!

We're looking forward to a successful year!

## Local #38 Imperial Valley

Hello ABATE members.

I hope the new year finds you in good health. Recapping our end of year events. The 26th Annual Turkey Run was a success. We collected 417 turkeys. We had over 90 riders from all over California, Arizona, and Mexico. After ending in Calexico at Neighborhood House, we honored 2 bike clubs with plaques for their support of our event for over 20 years. They are The F.I.R.E Group and The Blue Knights CA X. We presented IV Moto with a trophy for the Deepest club. Our Long-Distance Rider plaque went to Ron and Liz Morris from ABATE Local #23 out of San Bernadino.

I want to thank Peggy Price for helping to make the 33rd Annual Los Ninos Toy Run a success. A truck load of toys was delivered to the Betty Jo McNeece Receiving Home, plus we donated the proceeds of our auction.

We at ABATE #38 want to thank everyone that helped make these events a success, and we look forward to your participation this year!

We are starting to work on our Annual Stimulus Run. It is our only fundraiser that helps up with our end of year events. We will be raffling off a total of \$1000 plus other raffle prizes. Tickets will be \$5 each. Come to our monthly meetings and get involved. Save the date May 4th 2024. Also, we are helping with the ABATE Regional Rally, which will be in Alpine CA. this year on May 18th, 2024. Both events need your help and participation.

Okay bye for now.

See you down the road.

Ride safe.

Eddie Aranda

President Local #38

#### Local #40 Bakersfield



Got to ride recently with some of my Crusaders Brothers and Sisters. Made me realize that this year is gonna be great, as we rebuild PCA58 and our ABATE of CA Local #40.

We were attacked from within our own group, and we parted ways with all the bad and negative things. Moving forward, we have lots of events coming up this year. So far, FOUR ABATE events on the calendar, and Legacy will have our FIVE events, then PCA is planning

to do our 9/11 Run again .... And if I can get the approval, a new kind of event will be coming this summer ... something nobody has done yet, but everyone will love!

Stay tuned friends. We are coming back Bako, as

the need for us grows daily ... Be your brother's keeper, be the light in a dark place, be the hope for that family on the street.

BE A GOD LOVING AMERICAN AND LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AND HELP YOUR COMMUNITY.... Together, everyone accomplishes more. Be a part of the team and do what you can, when you can. Love and respect the ones who deserve it. To the others, we will see you on the other side.

Darren Billesbach, Jr., Patriot Crusaders 58 President ABATE Local #40













### **ABATE** Events for 2023

#### **Events-**

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May 4th Ammo Run Local 24 - Fresno, CA (Page 17)

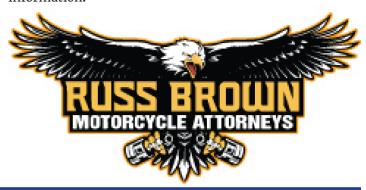
#### **Bike Nights:-**

ABATE Local 03 - 1st Thursday of the month @ 6:30PM @ Azar's Sports Bar, 2215 Michael Dr., Newbury Park, CA (Page 22)

No Name MC every 3rd Tuesday 6PM-9PM @ The 555 - 14582 Beach Blvd. Midway City, CA. Call 714-651-1526

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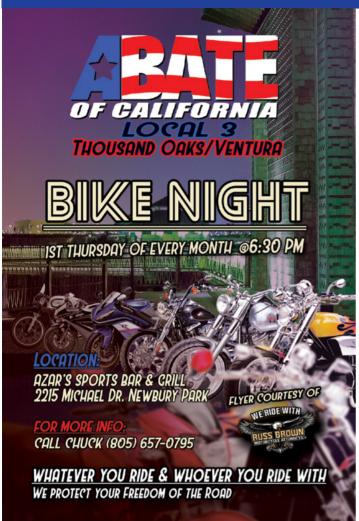
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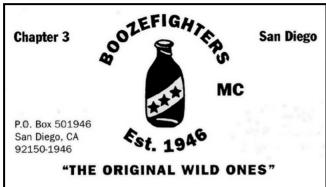
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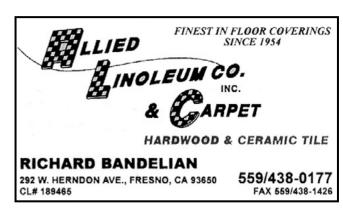


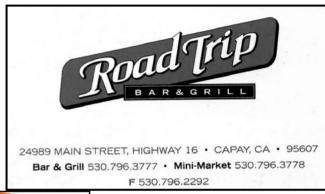
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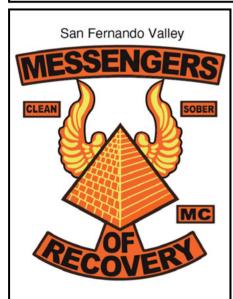
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## Safety Article by Jeff Bassler, President Local #19 & Board Member

I attended the last Orange County Black Sheep Breakfast. While there, one of the O.C. Chapter Road Captains, Tom Shaw, offered some insight that I had not thought about in the context before. I don't recall all the detail. And I certainly cannot put it as eloquently, or as thoroughly, as he put it. But I would like to share the overall gist of the message.

The short version is that the way you are in general life transfers to how you ride. If you are a detail oriented, meticulous person, you probably are going to be that way about the maintenance of your bike. If you are an aggressive person, that is probably how you will ride, etc. The concept is hard to argue with.

That started me thinking. It is commonly appreciated that riding, in and of itself, is a form of therapy. But for the therapy to be necessary, there must be something we are trying to heal. That implies a shortcoming in our lives. And if such shortcoming translates to risky riding behavior, as suggested that means that we are more at risk than we may account for when riding.

The knowledge of that, and appreciation of it, means that we can consciously overcome it. If you know you are prone to riding aggressively, you can consciously slow down... be more aware of the risks that surround you. You can take the time to pay attention to the maintenance of your bike, rather than "riding it until the wheels fall off". Your safety on the road, despite those who complain about those texting on the road, is mostly up to you. When you recognize that, you are more likely to ride another day.

See you on the road...



## Membership Report

By Lee "Sporty" Milligan, Membership Chairman & Board Member



Hello, all ABATE members and Friends,

We hope you're enjoying this edition of the Bailing Wire. As your Membership Chairman, I hope you will find this presentation informative enough to encourage membership in ABATE (or at the very least, donations to the lobbyists fund.)

We were blessed with an Assistant Membership Chairman this year. Bill McClennen has been a valuable asset to the membership program, along with help from Kathlean "MamaBear" Pedersen and Jodie "Moonie" Maxwell. Bill keeps the membership records current and intact, with his ability to do spread sheets. With Bill's record keeping it makes the process better and easier to handle. Bill has also helped by heading up several programs to get more new members.

Our office Assistant and Board Member, Jeff Bassler has compiled the 2023 Membership Drive totals. Quite a few new memberships were received through the website!

I am happy to report the following winners of our 2023 Membership Drive:

3rd place Mike Hess, Local 19 (7) new members 2nd place Rick Robison, Local 20 (12) new members 1st place Ed Aranda, Local 38 (14) new members

Honorable mention Darren Billesbach, Jr. Local 40 with (3) new members.

Congratulations to ALL for what we have accomplished this year! Thanks to those who visited shops, set up bike nights, visited popular Biker hang outs and pushed memberships at bike events. I appreciate your help in our drive!

I always like to remind everyone that when you get a new member, you must do what it takes to keep that member. Not all the members will be able to make all the meetings. So, you must keep them informed by getting an email list of the members and send out an agenda and/or minutes of what transpired at the monthly meetings. By keeping your members informed, you will keep them engaged, and hopefully this will result in renewals.

And finally, as a FREE service to your business members, get them to do a write-up on their business so they can be in the Business Spotlight portion of the Bailing Wire.

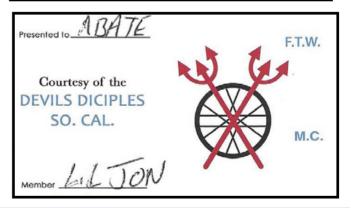
In conclusion we're striving to help make the membership committee better and with the Locals' help we just might succeed!

Respectfully submitted by

Sporty Milligan, ABATE Membership Chairman







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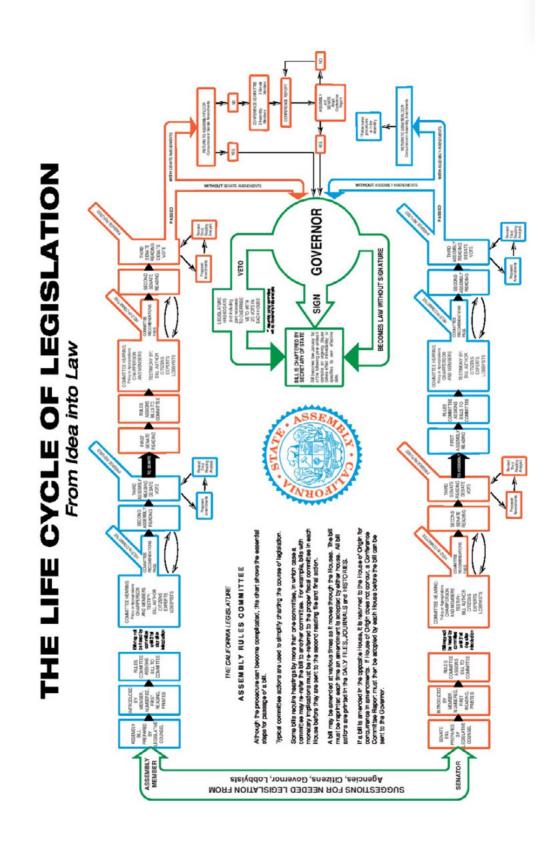
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818-469-9711

3rd Tuesday — 6:00 PM Millie's Restaurant

16840 Vanowen St., Van Nuvs, CA 91406

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Local#02

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2480 Tapo St. Simi Valley, CA 93063

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Chuck Pedersen kath55344@gmail.com 805-479-2706

3rd Thursday — 7:00 PM ElksLodge

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Kate Sessions Park Pacific Beach, CA 92109

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Daniel Pfaffly 714-365-5907 dpfaffly@gmail.com

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Ontario, CA 91672

Local #19

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909-919-0783 jeff@bassler.com Ieff Bassler 4th Wednesday — 7:00 PM Round Table Pizza 1020 N. Mountain Ave.



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Local #23

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26589 Highland Ave. Highland, CA 92346

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Joe Rodriguez 559-392-4604

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3rd Thursday — 7:00 PM Denny's

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Steve Katen 530-933-8279

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Darren "Smokey" Billesbach Jr. 360-296-9335 2nd Tuesday — 7:00 PM 3232 Rio Mirada, Suite A-1, 93308

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