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Membership Bits

by Bill McClennen, Asst.
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On Saturday afternoon, October 7, 2023, Martin Lugo Jr. (BAM) and I (River) cruised on over to Long Beach to join in on a meeting of The Women's Moto Project. Their mission is to train women riders, whether new to the sport or rejoining motorcycle riding, to improve their skill set.

Our mission was to introduce ABATE of California, our purpose, and activities, and how it relates to women riders.

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Lobbyist Capitol Update

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



Governor Newsom, a day earlier than the Constitutional deadline, finished his actions on the bills sent to him from the 2023 Legislative Session. The Legislature sent 1,046 bills to the Gov. He signed 890 bills and vetoed 156 bills. His veto rate was 14.9%. Last year, the Governor acted on 1,166 bills with a veto rate of 14.5%.

Unfortunately, he didn't veto AB 645 by Assemblymember Friedman, which will allow speed cameras ticketing in 6 Cities starting January 1st, 2024. We had been successful in killing many of these similar bills for the last 6 years, but with the Chairs of both Transportation Committees supporting it was finally signed into Law. The Cities of Glendale and Long Beach, both Cities in the Chair's Districts, as well as San Jose, Los Angeles, Oakland, and San Francisco will be allowed to do a 5 year "Pilot Program" of ticketing by Cameras. The ACLU opposed this Bill alongside us, and ABATE's fight continues, the Law has an expiration date in 2032!

Another bill signed by the Governor will require a study of taxing Vehicles by the mile and weight. As we supported Bill, we will work to get on the proposed Study Committee to point out Motorcycles weigh less, cause less damage to the road and should have a reduced cost by the mile than other heavier vehicles.

The Assembly having elected a New Speaker (D) Robert Rivas from Salinas, will be making changes to the Committee Chairs between now and when the Legislative returns 1st week of January 2024. The Senate also has elected a New President Pro Tem, Senator (D) Mike McGuire Healdsburg. Both have been supportive of on road and off-road motorcycles during their tenure in the Legislature.

For our Legislative Bill Update please check our Bill Tracking on the Next Page. Other bills will be reported at the PAC meeting upcoming.

As Senators and Assemblymembers are back in their Districts all of Nov. and Dec. hopefully you can schedule appointments with your Local Offices to re-introduce yourselves and ABATE.

Thanks as always to those who send their contributions to ABATE's separate and dedicated Lobbyist Account, keeping us at the Capitol fighting for your rights.

Safe riding!

Politics: Legislature Proposed New Laws

Presented by The Lombardo Group

AB-251 Ward California Transportation Commission: vehicle weight safety study - Support, *Amended

This bill would require the CTC to convene a task force to study the relationship between vehicle weight and injuries to vulnerable road users, such as pedestrians and cyclists, and degradation to roads, and to study the costs and benefits of imposing a passenger vehicle weight fee, or restructuring an existing fee to include consideration of vehicle weight. The bill would require the CTC, by no later than January 1, 2026, to prepare and submit a report to the Legislature, as specified. ***Signed into Law**

AB-316 Aguiar-Curry Vehicles: autonomous vehicles - Support

This bill would prohibit the operation of an autonomous vehicle with a gross vehicle weight of 10,000 pounds or more on public roads for testing purposes, transporting goods, or transporting passengers without a human safety operator physically present in the autonomous vehicle at the time of operation. ***Vetoed by Governor**

AB-645 Friedman Speed Safety System Pilot Program Oppose

This bill would authorize, until January 1, 2032, the Cities of Los Angeles, San Jose, Oakland, Glendale, and Long Beach, and the City and County of San Francisco to establish a Speed Safety System Pilot Program if the system meets specified requirements, and would require the participating city or city and county to engage in a public information campaign at least 30 days before implementation of the program, including information relating to when the systems would begin detecting violations and where the systems would be utilized.

The bill would require a participating city or city and county to issue warning notices rather than notices of violations for violations detected within the first 60 calendar days of the program.

This bill would specify that any violation of a speed law recorded by a speed safety system authorized by these provisions would be subject only to the provided civil penalties. The bill would, among other things, provide for the issuance of a notice of violation, an initial review, an administrative hearing, and an appeals process, as specified, for a violation under this program.

This bill would require a \$25 filing fee for an appeal challenging a notice of violation issued as a result of a speed safety system until January 1, 2032. ***Signed into Law, after 6 years of defeating similar Bills**

SB-50 Bradford Vehicles: enforcement - Tracking/Monitoring

This bill would prohibit a peace officer from stopping or detaining the operator of a motor vehicle or bicycle for a low-level infraction, as defined, unless a separate, independent basis for a stop exists. The bill would authorize a peace officer who does not have grounds to stop a vehicle or bicycle, but can determine the identity of the owner, to send a citation or warning letter to the owner.

The bill would authorize local authorities to enforce a violation of the Vehicle Code through government employees who are not peace officers. ***Failed. Ordered to Inactive File until January 2024**

SB-708 Jones Vehicles: off-highway motor vehicles: off-highway motorcycles: sanctioned event permit - Support

Existing law authorizes the Department of Parks and Recreation to issue to a nonresident of this state a special permit to operate an off-highway motor vehicle. Existing law requires the fee for this special permit to be not less than \$20, as established by the department.

This bill would require the department to issue a special permit to California residents to operate certain off-road motorcycles at sanctioned events, as defined. The bill would require the department to establish a fee for this permit, as specified.

***Held in Assembly Water, Parks & Wildlife Committee. Chair Bauer-Kahan (Democrat - East Bay) refused to set Hearing**

SB-847 Dahle Vehicles: motorcycle: safety helmet religious exception - Tracking/Monitoring

This bill would authorize the department to adopt a regulation certifying a helmet offered for sale, or sold, that substantially complies with, but does not meet, the requirements imposed by the specified federal standards if the helmet is designed for the purposes of compliance with a driver's or passenger's religious beliefs or practices. ***Vetoed by Governor**



Membership Bits (continued - Front Cover)

After observing the riding class, they had a debrief and then allowed us to speak briefly about protecting motorcycle rights and its importance to everyone in this group.

We were well received by the staff and trainers. The Co-Founders of The Women's Moto Project are Amanda Hazzah, Tara Hazzah and Beth Carter. Ashley Rikart, Micki Sesser and Marna Deitch are the trainers. We may have a new business member joining ABATE just for attending.

One of our missions in membership is to bring on new members from women's riding groups, and also younger riders. The great thing about The Women's Moto Project is both aspects are covered. The mission will be continuous and ongoing. Getting the message out to our current members and to the general public is what we continually work on, and so important to achieving our goals.




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Message from the Executive Director

by Chuck Pedersen



Executive Director's Corner

Welcome to the month of November!

As we are approaching the end of the year there are many things I would like to discuss and define their priorities to the success of ABATE of California.

Meet with your legislators. The ABATE

Political Action Committee has been working all this year to ready our 2024 Legislative Agenda. The ABATE Board is asking everyone, whether you are an ABATE member or not, to make appointments with your Legislators to discuss your opinions regarding the many bills that are in discussion in our sights. It is time for all motorcyclists to start building relationships with these valuable individuals. If you need ANY assistance, please contact me and I can provide legislative kits full of information, as well as provide a couple of pointers to support the discussion. We have board members who would be happy to coach you, and even join you, with your office visit. Once you have an appointment, let us know, and we will help as appropriate.

Regional Rallies – Thanks to the work of Local 38 and other supporters, ABATE is kicking off its first regional rally on May 18, 2024 at the Alpine Community Center in Alpine, CA. The Event is a one-day meet and greet on a Saturday, but feel free to come down the night before and stay until Sunday. There is camping at Lake Jennings, and hotel accommodations at Ayres Lodge in Alpine. There are lots of great rides in the local area. We are still making plans and arrangements for the event, and I will post as the agenda develops. This event is open to all persons, riders of all elements. So please come and support ABATE and help to make this event a smashing success.

ABATE Booths or tables – It is that time of year when there are many charity rides in November and December. If you are hosting an event, let us know and we will try to get an ABATE booth and staff there. If you are attending an event, please make sure that you have Bailing Wires and Membership Registration forms to hand out. This is a key element in building our membership. Take a moment to explain who ABATE is and why we need collective support of all California's motorcycle community.

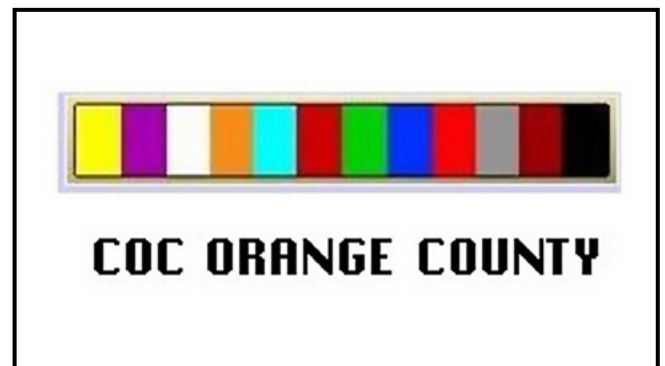
Social Media Support – One of the saddest things that I hear is, "Who is ABATE?" This is largely because we are not doing enough to introduce both on-road and off-road riders to ABATE and the activities we engage in to protect motorcycling rights and to promote our Educate not Legislate agenda. If you are on Facebook, Instagram, YouTube and/or Twitter "X" please engage and participate. Just look for ABATE of California on any of these platforms. "LIKE" "SHARE" "COMMENT" and contribution your own stories and pictures. We have actually met and signed-up new members because of our exposure on social media. Help us get the word out. If you have any questions or further ideas, please contact Kathleen Pedersen, our Public Relations Officer. Her number is on pg. 3 of this Bailing Wire.

I will end with this. Pretty much everything that I covered this month is about building the ABATE brand and our membership. And this all starts with you. Each Local should be monitoring their membership statuses and be the first to notify soon-to-expire members. Get out in the public and inform riders of all types about ABATE and what we do. The Board is here to assist, but it is the individual member that can make the most difference.

See you out on the road.

Chuck Pedersen

Executive Director,
ABATE of California



Motorcycle Riders Foundation: The Price of Apathy

by Mark Buckner

Executive Director, Motorcycle Riders Foundation



As patriotic Americans, we often talk about the price of freedom. We talk about the sacrifices required to protect our rights and about those who came before us, people of integrity who oftentimes gave everything they had in pursuit of an ideal; of a country and a way of life where our children and grandchildren can grow up proud to be Americans, unapologetically embracing a system of

government that many other people in the world would love to have. We talk about our service men and women who made the ultimate sacrifice, and we are thankful to live in a country that allows us to live our lives as we please, to enjoy the freedom provided by our Constitution, to be able to participate in what laws are passed and which ones aren't, and to teach our values to future generations.

In the motorcyclists' rights world, we also talk about guarding against undue government intrusion into our lives and warn against the influence of mainstream media propaganda aimed at tearing down some of our most basic and cherished beliefs. When you get right down to it, that's why the motorcyclists' rights movement exists. It's where we started and why we still fight for our rights at every turn. As past MRF President Karen Bolin once said, "We're in the freedom business."

Now consider the price of apathy, of seeing what's around us, knowing that some of what's happening is wrong, and doing nothing. Doing nothing, of course, is taking the easy way out. In many cases it's the old 'not in my backyard' philosophy of 'If it doesn't affect me directly, why should I worry about it?'

The challenges facing motorcycling today are among the most serious ever, and those challenges are – like it or not – in everyone's backyard. The MRF and our partners in state motorcyclists' rights organizations are fighting for the right to repair our own bikes, without being forced to have services that we could easily manage ourselves be performed by dealerships charging exorbitant rates. We're fighting to protect consumer choice through a strong aftermarket, ensuring that we have access to the vast number of options on parts the aftermarket gives us, parts that are many times better and cheaper than what we'd get from the OEMs. We're fighting to keep unsafe software being used in autonomous, self-driving cars and trucks from being tested on our nation's roadways and killing



bikers in the process. We're fighting to keep our ability to buy fuel that won't destroy our engines, as will be the case if gasoline with 15% ethanol becomes our only choice. We're fighting to preserve internal combustion engines, rather than being forced to buy electric vehicles at a time when neither the battery technology nor a sufficient charging infrastructure to support such vehicles is in place. We're fighting to prevent unfair profiling of motorcycle riders. And the list goes on.

So, what is the price apathy? A riding public that chooses to ignore the threats to motorcycling while sitting idly by, expecting others to do the hard work of protecting our rights and our lifestyle, is arguably the biggest threat we face. Ask yourself: Should we, through our actions, control our own destiny? Forge our own futures? Or should we sit back, foolishly believing that the government knows best how we should run our lives and hoping for the best. There are roughly 8 million registered motorcyclists in America. If even a small percentage of that group were to join with the MRF and our partners in our mission to preserve motorcycling, imagine what we could do. Then imagine what will happen if the vast majority of those 8 million riders choose to do nothing.

Since 1987, there's only been one organization exclusively devoted to protecting the rights and lifestyle of street riding motorcyclists in the halls of Congress, and that's the Motorcycle Riders Foundation. To those of you who are already members of ABATE of California and the MRF, thank you. You've already proven that you're committed to helping protect and preserve motorcycling. That said, we still need your help.

All of us have friends who are not members. If you're not an MRF member, please help us by joining. If you're already a member, please renew your membership each year, and of equal importance, please sign up one of your friends as a new MRF member.

The price of apathy is the loss of freedom, an open invitation to tyranny, and – without a strong MRF – could well be the end of motorcycling as we know it.

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By: (Dman) Dave Seiler,

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Assistant Membership Chairman

What a great day to take a ride and meet with some of our legislators that serve this great nation of ours, the cities we live in and the "Motorcycle Rights" we cherish. There were just two items that we focused on for the discussion:

- AB 316 – Aguilar-Curry Vehicles: Autonomous Vehicle
 - o Autonomous vehicles motorcycle recognition
 - o Just vetoed by Governor Newsom
- AB 645 – Friedman Vehicles: speed safety camera system pilot program
 - o Opposed by ABATE and the ACLU due to privacy issues

Our first meeting was with the Office of Phillip Chen, Assembly Member, Fifty-Ninth



District serving the greater Orange and San Bernardino counties. We met with Jenna Poffenberger and Paulina Alvarez, both Field Representatives for Assemblyman Chen. A lively discussion ensued, where the two listened intently to our discussion points, took copious notes and ensured us they would pass along our points to Assemblyman Chen. When

prodded, Ms. Alvarez expressed an interest in getting a scooter for commuting to and from work. Follow up on this matter will be forthcoming to ensure we have another two wheel rider safely navigating our streets.

The second meeting put us in the city of Huntington Beach and the Office of Senator Janet Nguyen, Thirty-Sixth Senate District, serving Little Saigon and part of Los Angeles County. We met with Austin Edsell, Senior District Representative who was very anxious to hear our discussion points, took notes and promised to let Senator Nguyen know the importance of our mission toward making the roads safer for motorcycle riders.

The final meeting was in the Office of Assemblyman Tri Ta, who serves the Seventieth District in the Orange County area. Our meeting was with Colin Edwards, Senior Consultant and someone well versed in the political arena. He listened intently and did share his

scooter experience while in Italy.

Summary: Our mission moving forward will be to build relationships with our local leaders, which will accomplish the goals of ABATE of California. This task will



only be made better by those that are willing to participate. Please join the cause and set up meetings with your local leaders so we can make a difference.

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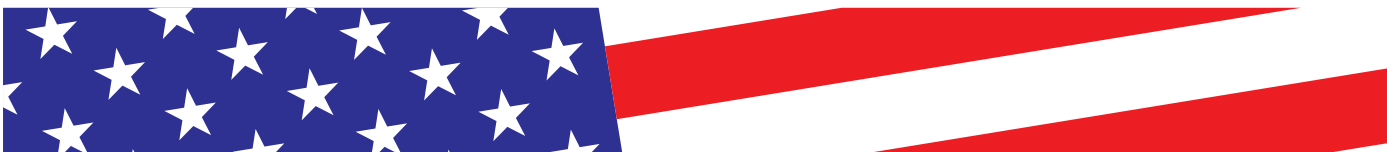
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Legislative Director's Corner

By Bobby Tabaldo, Legislative Director of ABATE of CA

New California traffic law aims to save lives with speed cameras. Critics say it will do more harm than good.

Surveillance cameras that automatically catch speeding drivers in school zones and “safety corridors” will be legal in California for the first time next year, thanks to a controversial traffic-safety bill that Gov. Gavin Newsom signed into law Friday.



The bill, AB645, was championed by dozens of cities and community groups — and opposed by some privacy watchdogs. Written by Assembly Member Laura Friedman, D-Glendale, it sets up a pilot program to deploy speed-enforcement cameras in three Bay Area cities: San Francisco, Oakland and San Jose. Also participating are Los Angeles, Glendale (Los Angeles County) and Long Beach.

Statewide, 4,285 people were killed in traffic collisions in 2021, including 1,233 pedestrians and cyclists. Supporters of the speed cameras say the technology will protect pedestrians, bicyclists and drivers, reducing fatal collisions in cities like San Francisco that have seen high numbers of traffic deaths year after year. Meanwhile, the bill's opponents have raised questions about equity and privacy, arguing that people of color will be hit hardest by the cost of the tickets and that the cameras will collect personal data that can be stolen or misused.

During the pilot program, which will last five years, cities can install a limited number of speed cameras in three types of places: school zones, streets responsible for high numbers of traffic fatalities and areas popular with racers. The camera takes a picture of the vehicle's license plate. A driver must be traveling at least 11 miles per hour over the speed limit to get a ticket. Fines start at \$50, and drivers can get an 80% discount if they show they are low-income.

“The purpose of this is to slow people down and save lives,” said Damian Kevitt, executive director of Streets Are For Everyone, a Los Angeles-based nonprofit that co-sponsored the legislation. “We’re pretty excited.” Some of the bill's advocates, including loved ones of people killed by speeding vehicles, have been working toward this day for four years, he said.

In the Bay Area, the measure was hailed by officials including San Francisco City Attorney and former Assembly Member David Chiu, who authored two previous versions of the bill that never quite made it through the gantlet in Sacramento.

“The data is incredibly clear that speed kills,” Chiu said in a statement. “I’m thrilled San Francisco can now use this proven tool to increase street safety and protect our communities from deadly speeding.” Oakland Mayor Sheng Thao said the speed cameras will enable “safer streets for our pedestrians, bicyclists and drivers” while “ensuring the privacy and safety of our residents.”

Among the bill's opponents were the Electronic Frontier Foundation, a national group that battles the spread of surveillance technologies, and Oakland Privacy, which does similar work in the Bay Area. Tracy Rosenberg,

advocacy director for Oakland Privacy, said she had hoped Newsom would veto the bill. “We don’t think that automated traffic enforcement is the best solution to the problems of speeding,” she said. “It’s more about road design.”

Human Rights Watch also weighed in against the bill, writing in an August letter to state senators that it would enshrine “a surveillance infrastructure that will generate fines on a massive scale and almost certainly disproportionately impact” people who “are already over-surveilled, over-policed, and historically disinvested from.”

Speed cameras aren’t new — they’re already clicking away in other U.S. states and around the world. But until now, California law prohibited their use. Some studies have found that the cameras change driver behavior, cutting down on crashes and deaths.

During the bill's slow, multiyear grind through the legislature, it was changed many times to address the concerns of critics. The bill prohibits the use of facial-recognition software to identify drivers, restricts the camera image to the license plate and tries to limit the impact of a violation on a person's life. “It’s essentially a parking ticket,” Kevitt said. “It doesn’t count as points on your record. It doesn’t go against your insurance.” The cost of the ticket is also dramatically lower than the cost of red-light-camera violations that have proved widely unpopular with California residents.

Theoretically, in the six pilot cities, the speed cameras could go live as soon as January, although it will likely take months longer for local governments to hire contractors and roll out the machines.

It remains to be seen if the cameras will enjoy public support in those cities. “Our feeling is, when it hits the streets, people will be liking it a lot less,” Rosenberg said. “You always think it’s other people who are going to get ticketed. Not you.”

Reach Jason Fagone: jason.fagone@sfchronicle.com: 10/15/2023



Sparty's Ride

Sparty's Rides

By Lee "Sparty" Milligan, Board Member



Sparty here, with my monthly report on my visits and rides and polite comments.

I will start by saying that I hope we have been successful with our visits to our assembly persons and to our state senators to discuss our current issues, which are currently Profiling, Autonomous Vehicles and Speed Cameras. I have been trying to get appointments scheduled for a visit with my assembly person and my state senator. It's been a long process, but I am keeping my spirits high that I will be successful in getting these appointments set-up. I will let you know of my success. We constantly work at getting our issues across the finish line and with patience and tolerance we will get the job done. Hopefully, many of you are working on this, as well.

September was another jam-packed month of riding. On Sept. 16th, I had three places to go. First was an early stop at Bartels HD to drop off my entry fee money for the Messengers of Recovery Valley Chapter's Poker Run to support a Women's Recovery Home. They were appreciative of my donation to the event.

The next stop was the Calabasas Hog Chapter's monthly meeting at the Moose Lodge in Reseda. Usual assortment of stuff. They gave me a brief time to remind the group of important legislative issues ABATE is working on. I also do this by giving out the ABATE web site, www.abate.org. I left that breakfast meeting happy and content.

Now came an hour ride to the final destination of my day, Ryan's Ride. It was in Lancaster at Big Shot's Bar and Grill. I got there at noon and shortly thereafter I was joined by Jeff Bassler and his wife, and Carol Garnet and her husband. We had a good time and raised money for the bikes and helmets for our ABATE Local 19's Christmas Toy Run, because the owner of Big Shots donated money to Santa Claus of the Chaffey Dist., Inc. Thanks Carol, for the invite.

My last riding event for Sept was the ABATE Local 19 meeting. It was so informative. It takes about 90 minutes to get to the Round Table Pizza meeting location from my house in San Fernando. Unfortunately, I had a casualty on the way. Somehow, my black Indiana Jones style bag fell off my bike as I was on the 210 fwy. past the 57 fwy. Bummer. I had to order a new one. But the good news was, I won \$11 at the dollar drawing, so I had gas money for the ride home.

I didn't do much the first week in October, except plan for the quarterly board meeting in Clovis. I missed getting my usual room at the Piccadilly Airport Inn in Clovis. So, I tried Priceline and they hooked me up with a Motel 6 in Fresno. Ok so, I'm riding my 1200L Sportster. Bigger gas tank, two trip gauges in the speedo, plus a clock in the speedo. What will they think of next? Had a nice ride through the Grapevine, not too windy. Stopped at Bakersfield HD. Nice and friendly.

(insert pic Sparty's Ride pic 1 trike)

I took pictures of a couple of nice trikes. This trip I tried to stretch my mileage and see how far I could go per tank. Second stop was Visalia HD. Dropped off Bailing Wire Newsletters. Took pictures of the model train displays. Finally got a Visalia HD dealer sticker. Bitchen.

Then I hit the road. I made it to my Motel 6 room in Fresno. I had dinner at

a nice restaurant, Applebee's. After the meal I made a beeline for my motel room. The next day I found Clovis and the meeting location.

We had the meeting room until 3pm and would have finished earlier, but a fire alarm went off during our meeting and delayed us a bit. Some of us went to a Mexican restaurant for lunch. I had refried beans and rice. And a nice surprise, Chuck Pedersen paid my tab. I had a nice ride home and made it to my Saturday meeting on time by 8pm, safe and sound.

As of this writing, my last ride was out to La Verne to get more Bailing Wires, as they were going to be needed to be passed out at the Pasadena Cycle Gear's Bike Night. Their shop is located at 417 S. Lake Ave. When I got there, they were a friendly bunch. I started passing out Bailing Wires and event cards and run cards for Local 3's event. During the 3-hour event, I spoke to the manager and suggested he might consider being a business member. I then suggested he do that so he could also do a promotional story about his store in our Bailing Wire. He said he would consider doing just that. I plan to follow up on that next week. I had a good time.

Okay folks, that's it for this month's edition of Sparty Rides.

I am going for a ride!

A poster for the ABATE OF CALIFORNIA Local 38 Toy Run. It features a cartoon illustration of Santa Claus riding a motorcycle, carrying a large sack of toys. The text on the poster includes: "ABATE OF CALIFORNIA | Local 38", "All Bikes, Cars & Trucks Are Welcome!", "Imperial Valley Los Ninos", "Toy Run", "TO BENEFIT THE KIDS OF IMPERIAL VALLEY", "SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2023", "SIGN IN: 8:30AM AUCTION: 10:00AM", "LOCATION: COYNE POWERSPORTS 2351 S. 4TH STREET, EL CENTRO, CA", and "DONATION: \$10 PER PERSON + A NEW TOY BREAKFAST INCLUDED".

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Locals Reports

Local #01 Los Angeles

Since our last members' meeting, we have been focused on contacting our local legislators.

We wanted to have a potluck for riders, but ran into a scheduling problem, so we're going to table it for now. We've also been sending representatives from our Local #01 to attend Bike Night events near them. We hear that some are discontinued as the season is changing.

The next focus is the coming holidays and Toy Runs. We have supported charities with some dealerships in the past years. We hope to continue this year.

We have a lot of members traveling at this time, so check to be sure we are going to meet the third Tuesday at 5:30 pm. (Jim 818-469-9711)

Jim Nickla, President Local #01

Local #02 Simi Valley

We had a good membership meeting in October. We had guests Chuck & Kathlean Pedersen from Local #03. They were a lot of help with the meeting. We accepted nominations for 2024 officers. They are President: Jane Warthen, Secretary: Jane Warthen, and for Treasurer: Luci Rojas. We would love to see you at our next membership meeting, on November 14th, where we will be voting on 2024 officers.

We welcomed Steven Burke a new member, thanks to Bob "Pigface" Phillips. The monthly Membership Drawing was won by Pat Burton, but she was not in attendance. So, the pot rolls over to next month. Please try to make the November 14th meeting.

Your President, Secretary and Board Member,

Jane Warthen

Local #3 Thousand Oaks/Ventura

We sure hope to see anyone near the Ventura County area joining us at our upcoming run "Fall Freedom Run" to be held on Sunday, November 5th. Starting in Newbury Park, this will be a five-stop (including beginning and end) poker run with a beautiful ride through the hills and valleys of Ventura County. We are enjoying vendor and sponsor commitments and will be able to offer commemorative t-shirts for this event! Look for the flyer in this issue.

Anyone ... and everyone ... is invited to all our meetings and events! Our Local #3 is always eager 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.

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 #3 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-Profilings, Noise and Exhaust Bills this year! (see the flyer in this issue outlining ABATE accomplishments)

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Kathlean "MamaBear" Pedersen

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Local #17 Alameda, Contra Costa, Solano & Napa Counties

Our September meeting finished with our planning for the Memorial Bingo Run before adjourning. We still would like more of our members to attend the monthly meetings, especially the November meeting, that will find a replacement for Glenn, who for the last ten years has been our esteemed and very capable President.

Next year, Glenn will be serving as the Membership Coordinator, while DeeDee will still be Secretary and I will stay as Treasurer. But we need a new President and Vice President, not to mention a Safety Officer. None of us would be offended if there were other members that were interested in challenging one of us for a position. It would allow us to volunteer for something else. Has this Local ever had a female President? ... just saying.

Our Memorial Bingo Run was well attended on a nice Sunday morning on October 1st. Local #17 would like to thank our business members where we had our stops, and all the participants that attended the bingo games. The first stop was The Moose Lodge in Vacaville that offered a nice breakfast for those that wanted to partake. Then it was off to Judy's Wild Wrangler. After Judy's, we took the backroads to the Green River Taproom and their outdoor seating for the next game. A lively cruise to the Roadtrip Bar and Grill for lunch, then games four and five. Mike Landers added \$25 to the pot for the final game... thanks Mike! Winners were Greg (twice), David, Teresa (twice), and Jennifer, who was kind enough to donate her winnings of half the pot back to Local #17... thank you Jennifer.

After our Bingo Run, our Local #17 sent in 20% of our profits to the state ABATE's general fund, and we always hold 10% to give to a local charity at the end of the year, which will be decided by the membership at our last Local #17 meeting.

I always like to close with the results from our "Biker Bucks" drawing at the end of each meeting and if Greg Seifter happened to be here, he would have left the meeting sporting a small piece of artwork with Benjamin Franklin's picture on it. Since he wasn't here, it rolls

Locals Reports

over to the next month until Glenn calls a current member's name that is at the meeting, so please come join us.

Down the road,

Greg

Local #19 Pomona & San Gabriel Valleys

At our last meeting, we had the usual stuff of going over legislation and events, including the planning for our upcoming 35th Annual Toy Run. But this month, I would like to highlight some of the goings on outside of the official ABATE focus. Among our Local's founding members is Wooster of the Nuggets. Most of the year the Nuggets host "Nugget Nights" at their clubhouse on the 2nd Saturday of the month. They go dark on these in November and December. All club and independent riders are welcome. Many of our local's members have been attending and having a good time at these events.

With the great event that the Nugget Nights have been, it has inspired a long-time local member, Stache, and his Devils Disciples brothers to try out one of their own. Pre-COVID, one of the brothers bought a closed down bar on Foothill in Pomona, and he has been trying to bring it back to life. That is the location of the DD Bike Night that was on the 5th Saturday of September. Things went well enough that they have decided to have them every 3rd Saturday starting in January.

The President and Sargent At Arms of the Padrinoz are relatively newer members to the local. We really appreciate that they have been encouraging their members to join, and it looks like they may join as a business member soon. They have been wanting to do some sort of event. And they really liked the Nugget Nights. With those held on the 2nd Saturday, they decided to balance it with something on the 4th Saturday. They found a nice Mexican place on Foothill, near the border of Upland and Rancho Cucamonga that has plenty of room for parking, games and is happy to have a bunch of bikers converge on their place.

These events are a great opportunity to promote ABATE. Spreading the word about ABATE does not have to be heavy lifting. Social events like these offer a great chance to get together with other riders socially. Go for a ride. Take some Bailing Wires, ABATE promotion cards with the QR links, or other ABATE promoting materials. It doesn't have to be ALL you talk about. But it is helpful if it is SOME of what you talk about. After all, you need to talk about something ... and we can always use new members.

And I would be remiss if I did not mention the very well attended Celebration of Life for our long-time Secretary/Treasurer Diane Davis. Her sister, Terri, hosted the event at her house. People who shared each of Diane's interests came to remember her. Eleven Local 19 members were able to make it. Even our State Assistant Membership Chair Bill McClennen showed up on behalf of the state level of ABATE.

On another note, we presidents have been encouraged to be sure that we have accurate email addresses from ALL the members in our local. Email is the fastest and least expensive way for ABATE, and the presidents, to get information out to our members. Most importantly, we may have 'Calls To Action,' for you to reach out to legislators in support of our efforts. If you have not been getting emails monthly with the link to the Bailing Wire online, we do not have an accurate

email for you. If you have not been receiving it, or if you have a better email address you would like us to use, please contact your local president, or Bill McClennen, who is managing our master list at (714) 390-7755.

Jeff Bassler,

President Local #19

Local #38 Imperial Valley

Hello ABATE Members and friends,

The 26th Annual ABATE 38 Turkey Run is Almost here! We have a record number of t-shirt sponsors this year. The number of turkeys requested is close to 400, as of this writing. We never know how many turkeys we will have until the day of the event. That's why we count on your participation!

One of our stops on the Turkey Run will be the Neighborhood House in Calexico, where they make some of the best Menudo, as a thank you for the participants. They also provide the meal on Thanksgiving for the seniors and homeless, as well as delivering to shut ins.

Plans for the Los Ninos Toy Run, to be held on Saturday, December 16th, are ongoing. Please get a hold of Peggy Price to see where she needs help.

Also ... ABATE 38 is looking forward to helping bring back the ABATE Regional Rally, which will be in Alpine at the Community Center next year. On October 14th, River, ABATE Asst. Membership Chair, D-Man, ABATE Chairman of the Board, and Cotton from the Horseman, as well as Buddy from ABATE Local #06 met up with Barbara and I at the Alpine Community Center. We showed them the facilities ... and the ideas started flowing. We had a very productive meeting. Barbara and I were very impressed by the enthusiasm they brought to the table. Afterwards we went to lunch at the Casino Bar. The food was pretty good.

Well, that's it for now.

See you down the road. Ride safe.

Have a Happy Thanksgiving.

Eddie Aranda, President Local #38



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So, Why Do Law Makers Seem to Hate Motorcycle Riders?

by Jeff Bassler, Board Member & President
Local #19



As a rider, you certainly have been to many events and venues packed with other motorcycle riders. In general, we are a pretty nice group of people. When my son was young, I said that I would rather have my son lost among a group of riders than about any other group of people someone can name. On the whole, taking care of kids is a weak spot for riders. That is why we have organizations like BACA, and more events than I can count, that support kids and/or get them toys. So, that being the case, why do law makers seem to hate us so much?

I know of one day that the mayor of Huntington Beach was enjoying some peaceful dining with his family on Main St., just off the Huntington Beach Pier. We all like our



loud pipes. A rider just missed the light cycle at the light at PCH and Main, so he was stuck there for well over a minute. The entire time he was there he was revving his loud bike. When the story was relayed to me, I did not get if it was a Harley, a sport bike, or what kind of bike. What I did get is that it was loud, and it was disruptive of the otherwise peaceful environment. After being annoyed

by the obnoxious disturbance, the mayor had a conversation with the Huntington Beach police chief... which led to enhanced enforcement on motorcycles.

Fran Pavley was a State Senator from 2012 to 2016. Early on in that tenure, she had an issue with a neighbor. When the weather was appealing, her neighbor would ride his bike to work. He had a pretty early departure time to be able to get to work on time. And as many do, he would help his bike along at warming up before heading out. This would wake up Senator Pavley, or otherwise disrupt her morning. One day she was able to catch her neighbor outside and asked if he might be able to keep the bike noise down in the morning. As many, "I'll do what I want" riders might do, the following morning he rode to work again. This time he decided to be particularly loud and obnoxious with his bike. That was his little message to his neighbor. The problem is that "his neighbor" was in a position to make ALL of our lives worse.

Prior to this incident with Senator Pavley, lane splitting in California was legal "because" it had not been made "illegal". A movement was started, that included Ms. Pavley, to formally make it illegal. So, ABATE's normal efforts had to be derailed and focus all our effort in beating this movement to the punch, and formally legalizing it first. We succeeded. But it took time and resources away from other gains we might have made in that timeframe.

But it is not JUST the law makers that are the issue. There are the 'Karens' out there that constantly complain to law makers about motorcycle riders. I just read an article about a guy who just did a full video of his ride from Colorado Springs, CO to Denver, CO. At the beginning of the video, he pulls up the ride on Google Maps, and the time is estimated at 45 minutes, on a highway with a 75 MPH speed limit. He does it in 21 minutes and 30 seconds, peaking at 170 MPH. I am certainly not the person to tell anyone how they need to go about splitting lanes, and/or keeping their speed down. I am as guilty as



the next guy. But there are consequences we don't directly see.

Related to that are the stunters, who love to pop wheelies in traffic. That is among the most dangerous times to do that sort of thing, and other drivers are worried about riders losing control and damaging their vehicles or injuring them.

As we split lanes at excessive speeds, stunt in traffic, make excessive noise unnecessarily, stop traffic for a wedding proposal... we aren't making friends. And they complain everywhere they can about us, including to any lawmakers that will listen. I recently saw a post about a situation in Cajon Pass, and one of the posters was complaining about riders thinking that no laws apply to them.

I'd like to suggest that the better we can blend in, instead of standing out, on major roadways, the less enemies we develop. Momentary consideration or even politeness will go a long way in improving the public perception of motorcyclists, with little inconvenience on our part. Only 10% of people will ever get on a bike.

We are a minority.

That means that we need friends, if we want to maintain our rights and freedom of the road.



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ABATE REGIONAL RALLY May 18th, 2024 Alpine, CA

Bike Nights:

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

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

If you have a date for your event, and no details or flyer yet, you may still submit your dates, then submit your flyer in time for the Bailing Wire. ALL ABATE Events must have event insurance. Contact the ABATE State office for information.

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

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Last month I suggested ways to get new members and ways to keep renewals of your current members. Hopefully, you will get the information that I have suggested and will use it.



With this year's influx of new members and business members I am asking you to make sure that your new members and business members are included in your meeting agendas. Mention them and welcome them. It's important.

Speaking of agendas, when you send out the meeting agendas make sure the members of your locals all get an idea of what we're doing. Local 1 has members who live far away from the meeting location. I put their E Mail addresses on a group list. This allows me to easily send them emails with Local agenda and information. Also, send it to them in the bcc format. That format allows you to send an email individually, so the email header is not cluttered with a lot of email addresses and prevents hacking.

So, with this in mind, I hope we can all get on the same membership page and continue to strive to make ABATE's membership program even better.

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- **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**
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