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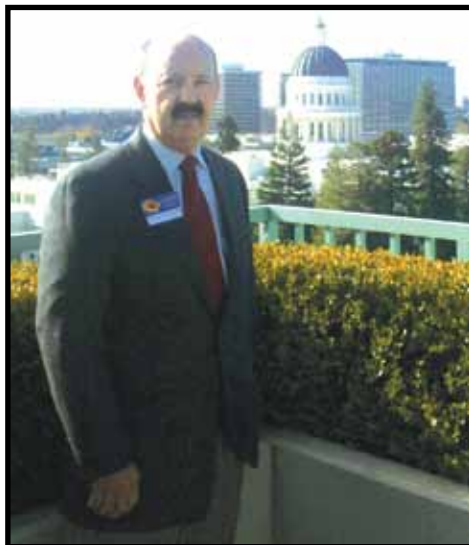
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Once again, the Legislature's business has been slowed down drastically by the Budget mess! Our Helmet Repeal bill, and many other good bills, were killed because of partisan fighting between the Democrats trying to extend the sales tax and vehicle license fee taxes, and the Republican legislators who oppose them. Assemblyman Chris Norby (R-Fullerton) did a courageous job and an outstanding presentation on our Repeal bill, AB 695, in committee on April 25; and Johnny O'kane and I were given the usual time to testify in support.

However, once again, it was voted down, on a completely party line vote, 8 Democrat **NO** votes to 4 **AYEs** by Republicans, with Assemblymen Blumenfield and Achadjian abstaining! We do have several Democrat legislators who support AB 695, but they are not on the Assembly Transportation Committee. There also are Republican Members who do not support AB 695.

We need to work hard on a select group of legislators, plus we may need to take some amendments to our bill to get it to pass the Assembly! Stay tuned — ask your PAC

Reps for a report at your next Local meeting!



Our annual Motorcycle Safety/Awareness Resolution is being carried by Assemblyman Martin Garrick for the second straight year, declaring May as Motorcycle Awareness Month. He is a 100% supporter of ABATE and a fellow rider with several Harley motorcycles in his collection. Martin is also a candidate for the 38th Senate Seat

in Northern San Diego County next June. *It doesn't get any better than that!*

Our ban on motorcycle-only checkpoints effort is being blocked, not because of the substance of the legislation, but because our author will not support tax increases! Using a different approach, we are researching introducing a Joint House Resolution to ban motorcycle-only checkpoints.

The Preliminary draft reapportionment maps will be out in June and this too will throw everyone in the Legislature into more chaos trying to figure out what district they will be running in. In 1990 Assemblyman Floyd and Dave Elder were thrown together; I told our PAC to support Juanita McDonald and we were able to take Dick Floyd out. We can do this similar action next year next year ... GET READY TO Work IN ELECTIONS!!!

I will be reporting on this, and all other motorcyclist-interest bills during the ABATE Board meeting and legislative session at the La Quinta Inn in Sacramento, on May 22. *See you all there!*

MANY THANKS, AGAIN, TO THOSE LOCALS WHICH SENT THEIR LOBBYIST FUND SHARES IN, AND ALSO TO THE INDIVIDUALS WHO ALSO SENT MONEY TO THE SPECIAL LOBBYIST FUND!

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Local #1 Los Angeles



Hi all! Sporty here. Local 1 played hooky this month as we were at the Southern Regional Rally and no meeting was scheduled this month. The Lodge was closed the 3rd Sunday, which was our regularly scheduled meeting date.

The following were very helpful for this year's success of the raffle booth at the Regional Rally: Ed (Iceman) Mathis, Jim Nickla and Steve B from Local 1, Lil' David from Local 25, Cheryl Clark from Local 11 and Tina Sanders from the state office. Peter Daniels, who was unable to attend, pre-registered and allowed us the use of some of the stuff necessary to construct a raffle booth. And supporting us from afar, our departed member, Lana O'Brien, who gave me the insight and courage to get nice raffle prizes for the run.

Till next month, see you at ABATE runs. Regards, Sporty.

Local #2 Simi Valley



Local 2 meets at VFW Post 10049, 4242 East Los Angeles Ave on the second Tuesday of the month, we start with our famous \$5 BBQ and goodies at 6:45 pm. Makes for an excellent start. Our meeting officially starts at 7:30. Thanks to our volunteer cooks Pres Ray and Bob, job well done! BBQ's at dusk is the greatest.

Pres Ray got us going and talked about motorcycle news stuff, one thing that I noticed is how well prepared Ray is. We at Local 2 have a lot on our plate and being organized to give the members updates about anything related to ABATE takes effort. With our upcoming Sweaty Buns

Run it just adds more to the plate than just the usual stuff that we do. Thanks Pres Ray, what you do shows by Local 2's involvement with all that we do! Our VP is a good guy! A big man with a big heart and our official teller of rides, thanks Scott, really!

We cruised thru our meeting with reports from all our officers. It's a great thing when we have a group of motorcycle enthusiasts all participating in our direction as Freedom Riders, or Riders concerned about our Freedoms, your choice, it's one of your freedoms!

Local 2 had a great FUN ride last month, thanks to Guy our run coordinator. We started out at PC's Bar & Grill in Simi for the Run for the Wall fundraiser then cruised through the Santa Monica Mountains – twice! Then we headed to our business member's location where we had an amazing BBQ!!! You had to have been there; Mike went all out for us and didn't charge us a dime. Cycle Works Etc. ROCK'S! We gave our Motor Cycle Proclamation plaque to hang at his business. This turned out to be very important and mostly a fun-tastic day!

This is what I learned this month as an ABATER: We can and are a small but big voice in what we love to do, and being able to enjoy each other's company makes it even better! Sometimes we bring luggage and whatnot but at the end of the day did you have fun in what you were doing? I hope what we do is attractive to prospective members so that they'll be wanting in on this, because this is not about any one individual, it's about ALL of us giving it a group effort, cause if we don't use our Freedoms then we will lose them, and that's gonna hurt, so invite all, teach all, then we can accomplish ALL. Thanks All. Have a greater one than the last one!!! PTL norm e. new.

Local #6 San Diego



What a great month we had! Reading our membership roster was a pleasure. We have renewals, a large amount of members are listed as life members, and we have a bunch of Business Members, including Jim Brown who bought three of them!

Our meeting this month was full of good information, and it was another sunny day overlooking beautiful Mission Bay. Jim Brown bought out our supply of ABATE vest pins and put them all in the pot for the 50/50 drawing. Snowman won the 50/50 and donated the bucks back to the Local 6 treasury. Thanks, Snowman!

We discussed legislative and judicial matters and Tim Clark, Prez of Local 11 wanted to make a bet with us that his Local would have a bigger showing at the Southern Regional Rally than our Local would. He won that bet last year.

To our members who did not make the meeting, you missed a good one! We hope to see you next month. Our monthly meetings happen at Kate Sessions Park in the Pacific Beach area of San Diego on the first Sunday of each month at Noon. C'mon Down! John.

Local #09 South Orange County



Hi All! For your information, any Local 9 members who are interested: Local 9 will meet with Local 20 on the 2nd Tuesday of the month until further notice. Check the back page of the Bailing Wire for meeting info.

We, Local 9 Board Members, will meet Quarterly @ Denny's in San Juan Capistrano. All members welcome to attend. The next Quarterly Meeting is September 13.

We five Board members have made this decision due to lack of participation on the part of our members. We do not wish to dissolve Local 9 as it has been around for many years. But times and people have changed, and everyone seems to have too much stuff going on (in our area), to attend our monthly meetings.

On a lighter note; the Southern Regional Rally turned out okay. The site is nice, a little windy, but what the hey, can't have it all. Maybe word will spread and we'll keep it in the same place for a couple years in a row, so more people will find it. A little more South would make me happier, but it has a nice pool, little store, video game and pool room, clean bathrooms, hot showers. It was nice to see old friends and the camaraderie. Good bands, bike show, and

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games - always fun. Everyone seemed to do their part to make it a good run. Nice Vendors, too, some old, some new. All in all a good weekend.

Well nuff said. See you on the road. Shiny Side Up! RED FOX, Local 9 President

Local #19 Pomona Valley

Did you make it to the Southern Regional Rally the first weekend in May? The location was the Shady Oasis Kampground in Victorville. The campground was nice and had most of the amenities you would want. The weather was great for the weekend. It was a bit warm but they had a swimming pool and showers, if you wanted to use them. I think the committee did a good job setting everything up for us and I would like to thank each of them who took part in this event.

One of our brothers at Local 19 is dealing with a serious illness right now. Mark Simone has been a large part of helping Local 19 to operate for the past few years. He was our Merchandise Coordinator for a couple of years and was always involved in activities such as the Run For The Wall, the Toy Run and the Thunder In The House for Casa Colina Hospital. It seems like his hand always went up when a volunteer was needed. He has been a very good friend to me and to others at Local 19 and I miss having his bike on the road next to me. Please keep him in your prayers and in your hearts.

Speaking of the Thunder In The House event for this year, the event will take place on September 10 and all the funds that are raised go to Casa Colina Hospital. Casa Colina is a Business Member of ABATE and Local 19 is proud to be a part of this fund raising event. Check the website when you can at www.casacolina.org for more information. Take a day to enjoy this awesome event and help with a fantastic cause.

The ABATE Local 19 and PV HOG Toy Run takes place on the first Sunday in December - the 4th. We work with members of the HOG group during the year to set things up for this event. Each year we use donations to buy a number of bicycles for kids and the low entrance fee is accompanied by a new toy. All of the toys and money collected during the year are given to a group called Santa Claus, Inc. They help provide Christmas for kids that would not have much of one otherwise. It is a very rewarding experience to know you can make a difference in the lives of a bunch of kids.

I look forward to seeing you out there on the road. In the mean time, keep the shiny side UP! Ed.

Local #20 Orange County

We have a new meeting place called Franciscan's (Best Western Newport Mesa Inn) in Costa Mesa across the street from OC Fairgrounds. Gill and I pulled into the place and already a lot of people were there 30 minutes prior to the meeting. Good eats! Another strong showing for May with 33 people in attendance and 5 guests: Brian, Stormin' Norman, Hannibal, Braveheart and Goat. Hannibal is a new member.



Gill discussed AB 695-Repeal Helmet (Chris Norby) and AB1047-Stop Motorcycle Only Check Points (Kevin Jeffries); and the toll roads. WE are ABATE STRONG and the only motorcycle organization to have defeated 2 bills, the smog bill and noise bill. When there is a Call to Action, we need to respond not just to CA but to other states as well.

Spike discussed several topics. HB1333 (Steve Kirby) out of Tacoma, WA is the first profiling bill to be introduced. North Dakota has the money for programs, including biker safety courses which will lower insurance cost – biker awareness programs – some states are using to profile bikers. Trying to get rules for bikers in each state to be the same.

We still need to keep on trying to get new members. We would like to see at least 1 representative from the Sport bike rider groups to come to our meeting. All riders need to band together to be strong as one.

All smart phones have a GPS chip that tracks where you are. If you take pictures it gives the coordinates and location.

May was Motorcycle Awareness Month. It was nice to see the Look Twice, Share the Road with Motorcyclists freeway signs. It should be 365/24/7.

Hessian Byron was the winner of the \$177 but he's in the hospital. Lance said that he's in good spirits and has 2 good bone marrow donor matches. He is getting ready for the next step. The \$ rolls over to next month. Squirt.

Local #23 San Bernardino

Good News! Our Local has out grown our current meeting location. So we are taking a look at several new locations to hold our monthly membership meetings. We will have a better idea after our June Membership meeting if our location will be changing.

We are getting geared up for the Chili Cook-Off that will be held on May 14. Our members have been busy spreading the word about the event. We have received some great raffle prizes for this event. Our thanks goes out to all those who contributed. Also, to our President, Kevin, and Bea for hosting this event.

We have set the dates for our Burger Burns this year. They will be held at the Screaming Chicken in Devore on June 25, July 30, and August 27. We will be having Raffles, 50/50, Wet T-shirts, and Tattoos.

We are also collecting pennies to donate to the Totally Kids Specialty Health Care in Loma Linda. Our donation jar will be at all of the events for those wishing to contribute.

We look forward to seeing all the ABATE members at the Chili Cook-Off and the Burger Burns. Tammy.

Local #27 Riverside



It's June and every day seems to have an event or two. Getting out to all events to press ABATE seems impossible and probably is. However, it is essential to get someone to as many of these events as we can. Pass out Bailing Wires. Talk to riders and non-riders alike. Push Motorcycle Awareness, Safety, and Representation everywhere. Educate the public. Give them something to think about. They may not be ready to join ABATE yet, but without us out there talking to them, these potential members have nothing to base a decision on.

Yes, it takes effort and time but, if ABATE is to again be a true force for motorcyclist rights then we have to reinvent what we do and how we do it. Local 27 has in the last 7 months doubled its membership and we are not slowing down. Last month we went to Chaffee College and were able to again present ABATE in an educational setting. At the end of May we will be at the Arlington Chili Cook-off Car and Motorcycle show and at West Coast Thunder. Whether we get members or not we will have access to thousands of voting citizens many of whom ride motorcycles and they will remember us.

Congratulations and a hearty thanks need to be given to the ABATE Southern Regional Rally Committee for their efforts in creating a pleasant, relaxing and enjoyable experience in Victorville. Those that couldn't make it, missed out.

Today was Local 23's Annual Chili Cook-off which not only offers time to meet and greet and catch up on family, friends and old times, but always provides an excellent selection of chili ranging from mild to burn your mouth out. A rare time for us to get together.

Want to know what's happening here locally? - Check our website www.abatelocal27.org. Keep your Eyes Wide Open, Greg Covell, President Local 27; gmcvl@yahoo.com.

Local #33 Yuba City

May WAS Motorcycle Awareness Month here in the Yuba/Sutter area! I have noticed a huge increase in folks riding their bikes this past month. Our Motorcycle Awareness Day in the Park was once again a success thanks to strong support from the M/Cs and Associations. ABATE was given proclamations from both Yuba and Sutter counties thanks to Steve Katen and Ken Trexler. We hope to continue to work together with all the MROs to win back our freedoms and continue to protect our biker rights.

LOCAL NEWS

The hearing on April 25 in the Transportation Committee went terribly wrong when the Chair decided after all was said and done she would bring in a "ringer" in the form of CHP Officer Brown. I was stunned when he presented skewed stats and blatant lies to destroy our hope of AB 695 passing out of committee. The bill was remanded to next session in its present form. I would hope we all work together to develop a plan to counter these underhanded moves by our legislators in the future. With that being in the past, lets look to the future and work harder to bring greater numbers into our ABATE membership.

Please join us at the American Legion Hall at 5477 Feather River Blvd in Olivehurst at 9:30 am for a pack ride to the State Capitol on May 23! I hope everyone has made appointments with their law makers to express your views on all the current bills that affect our rights. Our beloved Deacon will be here from the Midwest (Founder of ABATE of CA) so be sure to tell him thank-you! I will see you there! In unity and strength, Grumbles.

Local #44 High Desert

For those of you who didn't go, you all missed a great time at the Southern Regional Rally. We packed the campgrounds to capacity, close to 400 riders showed up. It looks as if we will be there again

next year. Local 44 had about 48 members and friends there, but still didn't take home the largest Local by percentage; Local 38 did with only 6 out of 11 members.

Baseball night at Maverick Stadium is on June 11 at 7 pm - \$5. That's the same date as our General

Membership meeting, I have tickets so if you want a couple, get in touch with me at jozz47@verizon.net or 760-948-2186 or just go to the ticket window at the stadium and tell them that you are with ABATE and you will get the same price.

Our annual Poker Run is on July 9 and we need a few volunteers. It starts at the Victorville Harley Davidson on Civic Drive, (they happen to be our sponsor – Thanks), Sign up starts at 9 am to 11 am and ends at the Elks Lodge on E Avenue south of Main Street in Hesperia. See the flyer in this issue for all the details. Jeff



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by Dave Hastings, Treasurer

May has been an extremely busy month and it's not finished with me yet. As I write this article I am still preparing for the ABATE Freedom Rally next weekend in Sacramento and trying to round up information about our just completed Southern Regional Rally in Victorville.

If you missed the Regional, you missed an outstanding event and a very fun weekend. Our high desert weather was exceptional on Friday and Saturday and the new Rally location was accepted and enjoyed by our members and their families. Better yet, the campground owners and the full timers who live there were very impressed with our ABATE members and our scheduled activities and have asked us to return next year. Maybe we have finally found a home for the Rally and we will be able to work on restoring it to the "glory days" of the past. Remember, this event supplied a large part of our annual income in the not too distant past, and I for one would love to see it reach those numbers

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again. This years' attendance was up and I felt a renewed excitement in our attendees. Let's hope the profit margin climbed also

because ALL proceeds from this event come back to support ABATE of California.

Great job and a big "Thank You" to the hard working Regional Rally crew and all of our members and guests. I had a great weekend and made a lot of memories, and even better when I got on the freeway to return home - lo and behold - I had a "Share the Road Look Twice for Motorcycles" Caltrans electronic billboard sign to greet me, what more could one ask for?

Our financial health is still a hot button issue and I want to thank everyone who has opened their wallet or purse to help out. As I discussed last month we have implemented changes to help us survive these trying times and with the projected increase in income and the immediate tightening of our budgeted expenses I'm optimistic ABATE will have the funding to continue our battle. Please consider becoming a "Sustaining Member" when it's time for your renewal and if you are already a Life or Business

member consider purchasing a "Sustaining" add-on status each year. All of the additional money collected will go into our General Fund and help maintain "your" California ABATE organization. It's a great way to show you care about motorcycle rights and are willing to continue our fight to protect those rights in California. In addition we are working very hard to give all "Sustaining Members" a VIP package of benefits and will do our best to recognize your contribution and importance to our organization.

Hopefully I will see you in Sacramento, either way, please take the time to contact me and give me any ideas you may have to improve the day to day operation and the financial health of "our" ABATE. Success is measured by the risks we face and failure is dependent on inadequate preparation. Let's work together and ensure good things happen!

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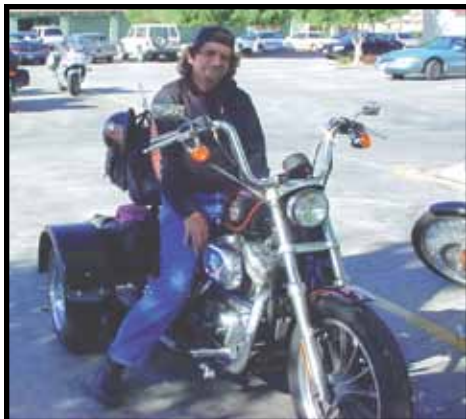
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Sporty's Rides

by Lee 'Sporty' Milligan



Greetings Freedom Fighters; hope life with you is swell. Apparently my column is being written because some of you enjoy it so. Ok well here it goes.

Life with Sporty is quite a trip. I have so many things to do with ABATE that it gets complicated to try and balance them all. With our just concluded Southern Regional Rally – yea, we might have made some money this time - I personally want to thank the following folks for their outstanding work.

From the state office we had Tina Sanders, from Local 25 we had Lil' David, from Local 11 we had Cheryl Clark and from my Local 1 we had Iceman (Ed Mathis), Jim Nickla and Steve B. Thanks to you folks that made my raffle booth a success. Thanks goes to Mr Sporty who brought the ingredients to make the whole gig work.

To those of you who showed up for the Southern Regional Rally, hopefully you enjoyed yourself. Details on the monetary funds from the Rally will be out shortly. Again thanks to all that made this gig work.

The Little Truck that Could, my 89 Toyota 2 by 4, is getting dealer service in its old age. She gets the attention she deserves at Hammer Toyota in Mission Hills. Being president or chairman means you have to carry the stuff which is an added responsibility. Yea baby.

I had planned to go to Local 23's 2nd annual chili cook-off on May 15 being held at Kevin Sorrell's house, he is Local 23's president.

On Friday, May 14, I had to drop of the stuff I borrowed from Mr. Peter Daniels. Stuff like easel stands and pop up tents. I am

slowly but surely getting my own group of stuff so I will not have to borrow from Peter that much. I had gotten the Freedom Rally post card advertisements from Carol and the State Run flyers from Tina at the Regional Rally so I went to Glendale HD to drop them off there along with Bailing Wires. I got 6 quarts of oil and 2 black filters - \$67. Oil \$7 and filters priceless.

Ok so I am home now and decided to do oil changes on both bikes. I will give you a clue as to the experience. Laundry soap on the concrete in various spots – yea! Nevertheless the next day was a really nice ride out to the chili cook-off. Was fun as I took my old Sporty, the 2002 883, which now has 89,200 miles on her. And check out the different mirrors on her the next time you see her! The chili cook-off was fun and great to see all the folks there. They are planning to do it again next year.

Well that is a brief write of my adventures. The Board meeting is on Sunday, May 22 and the Capital Freedom Rally is on Monday, May 23. Hope you were able to make it to Sacramento. Regards, Sporty.

Membership Report

by Lee 'Sporty' Milligan,
Membership Chairman

Hi all! What can you say about membership that has not been said before? We have our membership drive that is being conducted this year. We also have the raffle tickets that the presidents of the Locals are encouraged to sell. Remember they help fund the drive, so sell those tickets please.

Ok, please be prepared to deal with an increase in the membership rates. This is due to an increase in the need to help finance the organization.

Our members are a unique breed of personalities. Treat them well and they will serve you well. Get to know who your members are.

Remember the renewal trinkets that I talk about to reward members for their support of ABATE and Their Local. Do your best to get more members for the organization. Remember there is unity and strength in numbers of members. Regards, Sporty.

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COAST TO COAST BIKER NEWS

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WASHINGTON STATE ENACTS NATION'S FIRST ANTI-PROFILING LAW:

Motorcycle riders routinely report being profiled by law enforcement, but a new law in Washington State is intended to prohibit police from singling out bikers for stops without clear and legitimate reason.

Modeled after a 2002 state law outlawing racial profiling by police, the nation's first "anti-profiling" bill passed unanimously through both the House and Senate, and was signed by Gov. Chris Gregoire on April 13. Sponsored by Rep. Steve Kirby (D-Tacoma), the new law will force local law enforcement agencies to adopt a written policy designed to condemn and prevent the profiling of motorcyclists, and it institutes training to address the problem.

Motorcycle enthusiasts presented compelling evidence to legislators, including a video of a state trooper crawling through bushes near the Legislative Building in Olympia two years ago and writing down motorcycle license plates while bikers were holding their annual "Black Thursday" legislative rally and lobby day.

Outsiders M/C member David "Double D" Devereaux, spokesperson for the Washington Confederation of Clubs and US Defenders of Washington State, testified in Olympia that almost every member of every club, and even motorcyclists who aren't in clubs, has been profiled. He said many lawmakers were unaware of the problem until they saw the video of police gathering information on the bikers as they were inside the Capitol building ironically seeking sponsorship for a bill that would stop motorcycle profiling.

Also lobbying on behalf of the bill was Donnie "Mr. Breeze" Landsman, Legislative Affairs Officer for ABATE of Washington, who told The News Tribune that he's been denied service at restaurants for wearing a bandana and a leather vest; "Motorcyclists aren't looking for special rights," Landsman told the newspaper. "We want the same rights that are afforded to every other section of the population as American citizens."

Double D and his club brother Jeff "Twitch" Burns, who produced an 86-minute video that chronicles the growth of the emerging anti-profiling movement within the motorcycling community, reported their success at the Patch Holder Meeting during the recent NCOM Convention in Albuquerque, N.M., to the resounding approval of bikers rights activists and COC reps attend-

ing from all across America. "This is something that could be done in every state," Double D told the enthusiastic crowd...and should be.



STATES COMBAT MOTORCYCLE-ONLY CHECKPOINTS: Calling motorcycle-only roadblocks discriminatory and unconstitutional, ABATE of California is pushing a bill that would ban state and federal funding of such so-called "safety checkpoints".

New York and Georgia have initiated roadside barricades under the auspices and guidance of NHTSA to coral motorcycle riders en route to major motorcycle events to check paperwork and equipment for violations, and for other illegal activity.

AB 1047, authored by Kevin Jeffries, Vice Chairman of the Assembly Transportation Committee, would prohibit the CA Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) from issuing grants to law enforcement agencies to stage Motorcycle-Only Checkpoints and also require the OTS to conduct audits of the safety checkpoint grants to insure that law enforcement is complying.

Similarly, North Carolina is currently considering two bills (H375 & H381) aimed at preventing law enforcement agencies from establishing patterns for vehicle stops at checking stations based on a particular type of vehicle.

In Congress, Rep. Tom Petri (R-WI) and some of his colleagues have authored legislation to de-fund the checkpoints. US House Resolution 904 would prevent the US DOT from providing funds to states which would be used for motorcycle roadblocks.

Motorcyclists across the country are also awaiting a court ruling on the constitutionality of the New York checkpoints, being challenged by N.Y. Aid to Injured Motorcyclists (A.I.M.) Attorney Mitch Proner, which could wind up on the docket of the U.S. Supreme Court.

MOTORCYCLE FATALITIES CONTINUE DECLINE: Motorcycle fatalities declined in 2010 by at least 2%, according to a new state-by-state report released on April 19 by the Governors Highway Safety Association (GHSA).

Based on preliminary data, GHSA's motorcycle fatality report projects that deaths declined from 4,465 in 2009 to 4,376 or less in 2010. The projection is based upon data from 50 states and the District of Columbia for the first nine months of 2010. The decline comes on the heels of a 16% drop in 2009, which followed 11 straight years of steady increases in motorcycle deaths which mirrored annual increases in motorcycle sales and registrations.

GHSA is projecting declines in approximately half of the states, with notable declines in many. In Texas, for example, based upon data for the first nine months of 2010, motorcycle deaths are expected to be down 16%, while Oregon and Oklahoma are down 27% and 30%, respectively.

But fatalities had started to climb back up during the last three months in the study, prompting fears that the improving economy and surging gas prices will lead to increased motorcycle travel and thus increasing exposure to risk.

NHTSA UPDATES MOTORCYCLE HELMET STANDARDS: The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration has updated the federal motorcycle helmet standards (FMVSS 218) in an attempt to stop riders from wearing non-DOT approved "novelty" helmets. The new standard does not affect the construction of helmets directly, but changes the way they're labeled to make it more difficult to mimic DOT compliance certifications.

Effective immediately under the final rule issued May 13, helmets that conform to Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 218 will carry a sticker with the manufacturer's name, the helmet model and the words "DOT FMVSS No. 218 Certified." The move to make non-compliant helmets harder to sell comes after the number of riders sporting novelty helmets increased dramatically in 2010 over 2009.

According to NHTSA statistics, in 2010, only 54% of motorcyclists wore a DOT-approved helmet. Around 14% wore a novelty helmet, and 32% rode without a helmet. In 2009, those numbers were 67%, 9% and 24%, respectively. In 2010, 75% of riders who did elect to wear a helmet wore a DOT-compliant one. In 2009, that number was 86%.

NHTSA says 5.2 million helmets are sold annually. Twenty states require all motorcycle riders to wear helmets, but only 13 states specify that the helmets must meet federal standards.

"DEAD RED" LAW ALLOWS RIDERS TO RUN STOPLIGHTS: Motorcyclists in several states have been given a green light to run red lights, and now riders in Kansas can proceed with caution through a stuck signal if it has failed to change green within a reasonable amount of time because the signal has malfunctioned or failed to detect the cycle.

HB 2192, The Dead Red Law, has been signed into law by Governor Sam Brownback and goes into effect June 1 for inter-sections across the state with sensors. Traffic sensors imbedded in the roadway normally tell the light to change when a vehicle approaches, but motorcycles often aren't heavy enough to trigger it, argued ABATE of Kansas in support of the legislation.

The measure was packaged with a series of road-related measures, including provisions raising the state's maximum highway speed to 75 mph.

Nine other states currently allow motorcyclists to proceed through a signal that fails to detect their presence, and similar legislation is being considered in Illinois where HB 2860 passed the House 104-0 and is awaiting further action in the Senate.

MOTORCYCLE SALES STOKED BY GAS PRICES: Motorcycle sales in the U.S. rose 7.2% during the first quarter of 2011, compared with the same period a year earlier, says the Motorcycle Industry Council.

In its retail sales report, which tracks sales among the 18 leading brands sold in the U.S., the industry trade group said scooters posted the biggest sales increase of nearly 50%. Sales of dual-purpose motorcycles, which are designed for highway and off-road use rose almost 25%, attributed in part to the segment's overall fuel efficiency.

In a separate but related report, a recent survey of Harley-Davidson dealerships sug-

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gests that retail sales improved in the first three months of the year. According to an analysis by Raymond James & Associates, 55% of the dealerships surveyed said they had a year-over-year sales increase in the quarter, and nearly all reported that inventories were "ideal" or "light".

The MIC also reported that tire sales, which it says are an indicator of motorcycle use, also rose in the first three months of the year. Motorcycle and scooter tire sales increased 29%, while sales of tires for on-highway bikes rose 28% and scooter tires jumped 49%.

The industry council's owner survey estimates the number of motorcycle miles traveled rose 5% to 27.6 billion miles from 2008-09. The percentage of U.S. households with at least one motorcycle grew to 6.8% in 2009 from 5.4% in 2003.

E-CYCLE GROWTH FORECAST: More and more motorcycles and scooters powered by electricity are hitting the road, and some experts predict that the number of electric two-wheel vehicles could swell to more than 100 million worldwide within the next 5 years.

Currently, there are about 17 million electric motorcycles and scooters on the road, but a new study by Pike Research shows that that the global market could expand to more than 138 million by 2017.

"Electric motorcycles and scooters have strong appeal for many consumers," says senior analyst Dave Hurst. "They are relatively low cost

to own, do not take a lot of space, and are easy to maintain."

Electric motorcycles are becoming more capable every day. Chip Yates recently set a land speed record with his electric motorcycle, reaching nearly 200 mph, and the TTXGP racing series was just officially sanctioned by the FIM.

VICTORY FOR INDIAN: America's oldest motorcycle brand now has a new owner. Polaris Industries Inc. (NYSE: PII) has announced the acquisition of Indian Motorcycle, adding one of motorcycling's legendary brands to its stable of Victory cruiser and touring bikes.

Polaris, which has manufacturing plants in Roseau, Minn., and Spirit Lake, Iowa, will close down the Indian Motorcycle production facility in Kings Point, N.C., and move all production to Spirit Lake.

Polaris said it hopes to capture a bigger share of the \$11 billion heavyweight cruiser market by operating Indian as an independent business unit, combining Polaris' "engineering acumen and innovative technology" with Indian's "premium brand, iconic design and rich American history."

RIDE TO WORK, WORK TO RIDE: Every year more and more riders are finding cycles and scooters to be an economical, efficient and fun way to commute. Because of this, the 20th annual worldwide Ride To Work

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Tech Tips by Craig Griswold

The Great Oil Debate (Part I)

Few things generate more debate in the automotive/motorcycle world than the subject of oil. In this series, we'll clear up some of the bad information floating around, break down oil in technical terms, and talk about maintenance.

Many moons ago, oil selection with regards to quality, varied greatly. Anything from real cheap non-detergent oil to the more expensive synthetics and everything in between made selection a little more complicated. These days, there's no shortage of choices, but most name brand

oils are of excellent quality. As long as you are using the right oil for the application, you'll be in good shape.



Let's start by clarifying some of the "facts" and rumors. First, there's the synthetic vs. fossil oil argument. Here's my take. Synthetic is superior, hands down. It's also twice the cost, give or take. So is it worth the extra cost for the better oil? I tell folks that if they follow their recommended factory drain intervals, and ride in mostly average riding conditions (mainly speaking to extreme temperatures), a good fossil oil will do just fine. Have a tendency to overshoot that 5,000 mile service? Live in Phoenix? Wrestling with heat management issues like so many new Harley Twin Cam

owners (thanks EPA)? Try switching to a synthetic. In most cases, synthetic will drop your oil temps 10-15 degrees. If you're not on a real tight budget and just want to run the top of the line stuff, that's OK too. There are many to choose from. Some of most well known in the V-Twin world are AMSOIL, Mobile-1, and Harley's SYN3 to name a few.

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In conclusion, today's modern oils are excellent. If you're brand loyal, run with

it. Shopping for the best price, go for it! Get the right oil for the application and you'll do just fine. Next month we'll dive into that (applications) and explain some of the other technical aspects (viscosity, additive packages, etc.). Ride safe!

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July 24 - ABATE Of California – Local 2 – Annual Sweaty Buns Poker Run – Simi Valley; Sign-in at 2 locations – Canoga Park OR Camarillo (See flyer below for ALL the details & on our web site.)

September 10 – ABATE Local 19- 2nd Annual "Thunder In the House" to benefit Casa Colina "trauma cen-

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by Bruce

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First break was at the Pit Stop in downtown Coalinga. Free samples of barbequed hot links, chicken and sausage were available and if you were real hungry, hamburgers and pizza.

Leaving Coalinga we wound up into the foothills of the Coast Range. There were lots of wildflowers and very little traffic. Next stop was at Priest Valley. It was good to see the Inn had been reopened by the new owners.

Leaving Priest Valley it was down the backside of the mountains and on to Highway 101. Heading south we arrived at Paso Robles and the old Pine Street Bar, one of the few downtown buildings that survived the Paso Robles earthquake. The owners had a barbeque going with tri-tip, chicken and great beans.

After this stop it went on to Cayucos and the end of the run. Some went by Old Creek Road, others kept to the main roads. The final were drawings for \$100.00, \$200.00 and a 50/50 of \$325.00.

All in all a great ride. For those that didn't make it, get ready, lucky number 13 is next year!



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L#24's Day Ride

by Bruce

The first annual Cyndi Stout Colon Cancer Awareness Memorial Run joined with our May 14 Day Ride. It was a very brisk day in Clovis at the start with some overcast and a few clouds. In talking with another motorcycle group in the parking lot we found out they were from Scotland. They were complaining about the HOT weather and hoped to find cooler temps riding into the Yosemite high mountains. The weather did not prevent more than 45 bikes, many with two riders, from going on the run.

After a safety talk about some possible dangers on our route, at about 1000 hours Ed led the group out of Kimmies parking lot. We took a very interesting, kind of roundabout, route to our first stop in Dunlap. The Twin Valley Grill was awaiting us along with two tour busses of French tourists. They all took photos and videos as we came in and parked. I wonder what stories they will tell at home about us.

After a rest stop at Twin Valley we continued on the back roads to Sisters Mountain House. They had an all you can eat lunch with tri-tip, chicken, beans and salad waiting for the hungry ones. After food the 50/50 drawing for \$226.00 was held. A very cool and restrained Victor claimed the prize.

A visit to Vintage Motorcycle Collection and Museum was also part of the agenda. Unfortunately, I missed the shuttle bus to the collection, so someone else can tell you about that.

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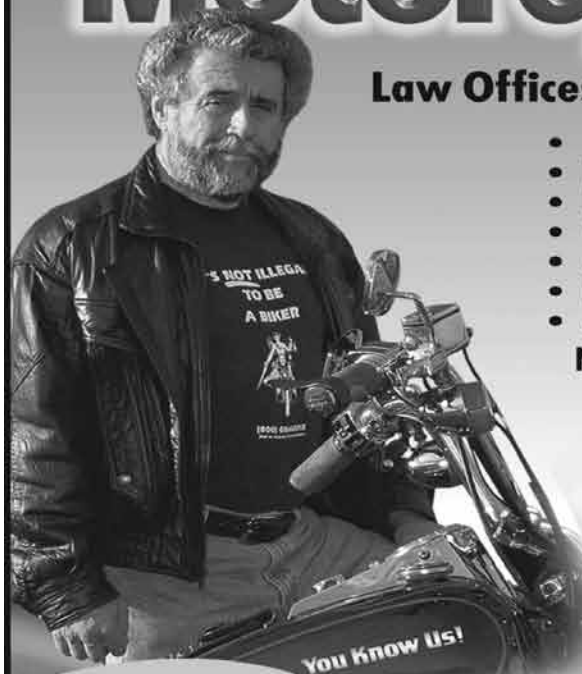
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by John Del Santo

Listen to a conversation between a bunch of motorcycle riders, and the phrases you'll hear repeated most often are "What?" and "Say that again." Along with other things we've done in our lives, riding a motorcycle can put a lot of strain on our hearing. Usually it's not the sound of the bike that does the damage, but the sound of the wind passing our ears for thousands and thousands of miles year after year. A full helmet doesn't guarantee hearing protection, and some helmets increase the noise in our ears. A good set of earplugs is a great way to protect our hearing.

Everyone loses some hearing over the years depending on genetics, our trade, or the sports we've been involved in during our lives. Folks who listen to music with headphones and the volume cranked up can expect trouble down the road; people who exercise at the gym with earphones on and the volume high can do excessive damage. Are you one of the I-POD crowd? Hearing experts recommend never having the volume set higher than 3/4 on the scale.

Anyone who spent a lot of time at rock concerts or clubs will probably spend a lot of their later years not being fully included in many conversations. If we add motorcycle riding to any of those, the earlier we start to protect our hearing, the better.

Some people, like this writer, don't give the subject much thought (what, me worry?) until they start hearing tones or sounds like there's water running in the next room 24 hours a day, or find themselves saying "What?" an awful lot. You can pump iron to get your muscles back in tone, or even do exercises that will improve your eyesight, but like diamonds, hearing loss is forever.

You can find good washable, reusable earplugs, custom fitted plugs, or good disposables. If you use a computer, try www.webbikeworld.com/Earplugs/earplugs.htm. You can also try safety supply houses, motorcycle shops (I don't think they make earplugs in chrome, yet) or at sporting goods stores. If you are not a user yet, try out a pair; follow directions putting them in, and take them out slowly and carefully to avoid damage to the eardrum. Keeping the right and left plugs separate is considered to be a safe thing to do to prevent the transfer of ear infection.

They are a little weird when you first start using them; your engine sounds different, and you'll be concerned that you may not hear that car moving into the lane next to you. But after all, we should probably save whatever we can, or get used to writing notes to each other somewhere in years to come.

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LANA C. O'BRIEN April 11, 1940 - May 7, 2011

Sporty & Lana O'Brien

Lana C. O'Brien, age 71, of Studio City, CA, passed away on Saturday, May 7, 2011 at Meadow Brook Care Facility in Bellaire, Michigan. She was born on April 11, 1940 in Los Angeles to the late Morrie and Rae (Sherman) Baylin.

Lana married Timothy O'Brien on February 28, 1973 in Los Angeles. She was a student of the Art Center of Los Angeles and was a fashion buyer for many years. Lana also was an actress and appeared in more than 200 movies and TV shows.

She loved riding horses, music, her dogs, sailing, Harley rides and traveling with her husband, Tim. She was a member of Local 1 and helped whenever and wherever it was needed. Lana's favorite saying was "Remember I always had to be the best, but I still loved everyone more."

Lana is survived by her dear husband of 38 years, Tim; her loving daughters, Dawn T. (Billy) Halberstadt of Mancelona and Laurie Newton of Los Angeles; her 6 cherished grandchildren, Jeremy, Amber, Alex, Lauren, Solomon, and Hannah; and her 4 precious great-grandchildren, Elijah, Benjamin, Abigail, and Samuel.

A memorial service honoring Lana will be held at a later date. Condolences may be left on-line at www.wolfeoneill.com.



Los Angeles County - Local #01-Reg#8

Sporty Milligan
1616 4th St
San Fernando 91340
818/ 361-8800

3rd Sun-9 AM
Elk's Lodge
10137 E. Commerce
Tujunga, CA

Simi Valley - Local #02-Reg#8

Steamer Arsnow
661/251-8360

2nd Tues 7:30 PM
VFW Post#10049
4242 E. Los Angeles Ave. Simi Valley

Thousand Oaks-Local#03-Reg#7

Chuck Pedersen
842 E Avenida De Las Flores
Thousand Oaks 91360
805/496-0323

3rd Thurs - 7:00 PM
Elks Lodge
158 N. Conejo School Rd.
Thousand Oaks

San Gabriel Valley - Local#05-Reg#8

Tom Lubbers
626/335-6508

3rd Mon - 7:00 PM
Peppertree Restaurant
1020 E Route 66, Glendora

San Diego County - Local #06-Reg#12

John Del Santo
P.O. Box 7998
San Diego CA 92167
619/223-0421

1st Sunday - 12 Noon
Kate Sessions Park
Pacific Beach

Orange County - Local #08-Reg#11

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P O Box 550
Anaheim CA 92815
714/471-6749 oflag15@hotmail

2nd Mon.7:30PM
American Legion #354
8071 Whitaker, Buena Park

South Orange County - Local #09-Reg#11

Cory Toroian
949/496-2936

2nd Tues. 7:00 PM
Denny's
27142 Ortega Hwy. San Juan Capistrano

Tuolumne County-Local#10-Reg#5

Call the State Office 760/956-1669

San Diego County (North) - Local #11-Reg#12

Tim Clark
13641 Silver Lake Dr.
Poway 92064
858/748-0524

2nd Sun - 11 AM
Oakvale Country Store
14900 Oakvale
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Sonoma County- Local #12-Reg#1

Meets with Local#17

Ventura County - Local #13-Reg#7

Dave Walsh
1354 W. Olive St
Oxnard 805/486-1093
or 469-6522

Last Thurs. - 7:30 PM
VFW Post #3935
300 Surfside Dr.
Pt. Hueneme CA 93041

Alameda County Local#14-Reg#3

Joe Schwirian
510/683-9304

1st Wed 7:30 PM
The Florence
37349 Niles Blvd., Fremont

Contra Costa County - Local #15-Reg#3

Bob Blatz
P.O. Box 269
Concord CA 94522
925/427-5135

3rd Tues - 7:00 PM
Fuddruckers
1975 Diamond Bl. #E260
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Santa Barbara County - Local #16-Reg#7

Meet with Local#13

Solano & Napa Counties - Local #17-Reg#3

Mike VanBuskirk
P O Box 148
Vacaville 95696
707/486-6454

3 rd Sun. - 10:00 AM
Judy's Wild Wrangler Saloon
4826 Midway Rd.
Vacaville CA

San Francisco - Local #18-Reg#3

Meet with L#14 or 15

Pomona Valley - Local #19-Reg#9

Robert Cuthbertson
P O Box 4664
San Dimas 91773

4th Wed - 7:00 PM
Call for meeting place
909/921-2159

Orange County - Local #20-Reg#11

Gill Mellen
2104 Continental Ave.
Costa Mesa, CA 92627
949/632-9787

2nd Tues - 7:00 PM
Franciscan's Best Western Inn
2642 Newport Blvd.
Costa Mesa CA 92627

Antelope Valley - Local #21-Reg#13

Ron Sundquist
37230 52nd St. East
Palmdale 93552
661/586-5555
ron.sundquist@sbcglobal.net

1st Thurs - 7:00 PM
Casa Roma Restaurant
320 W Ave. J2
Lancaster 93534

**ABATE MEETINGS****South Bay - Local #22-Reg#11**

Suzanne Palmiere
310/326-3667
suzpalmiere@aol.com

1st Tues - 7:30 PM
Chowder Barge
611 N. Henry Ford Ave.
Wilmington 90744

San Bernardino - Local#23-Reg#9

Kevin Sorrell
909/793-1112

1st Sun 9:00 AM
Jenny's Family Restaurant
7750 Palm Ave, Highland

Fresno - Local#24-Reg#6

Ed Rogers
559/264-2891

1st Wed. 7:00 PM
Cedar Lanes
3131 N. Cedar, Fresno

Sacramento - Local#25-Reg#2

Gary Haller
916/726-6703

3rd Thurs - 7:00 PM
Denny's
3520 Auburn Blvd.
Sacramento 95821

Riverside - Local#27-Reg#9

Greg Covell
P.O. Box 7070
Riverside CA 92313
951/522-3434
www.abatelocal27.org

1st Tues - 7:00 PM
American Legion
2979 Dexter Dr, (in Fairmont Park)
Riverside, CA

Lake County - Local#28-Reg#1

Lori Adams
707/245-8036

2nd Thurs - 7:00 PM
Round Table Pizza
821 11th St.
Lakeport 95453

Morongo Basin - Local#29-Reg#10

Marty Rapp
P.O. Box 2334
29 Palms CA 92277
760/367-1694

2nd - Thurs - 6:30 PM
Rattlesnake Jakes
51572 29 Palms Hwy
Morongo Valley 92256

North Valley - Local #31-Reg#2

Larry James
530/893-4827

2nd Tues - 7:00 PM
Last Call Lounge
876 East Ave. Chico

Santa Clara Valley - Local #32-Reg#4

Dan Scott
950 Meridan Ave#19
San Jose 95126
408/903-7623

Last Sun. 9:30 AM
Sherwood Inn
2988 Almaden Expy
San Jose

Yuba City - Local #33-Reg#2

Steve Katen
530/749-1003

3rd Thurs. - 7:PM
American Legion
5477 Feather River Blvd. Olivehurst

Hanford - Local #34-Reg#6

Meets with Local#24

1st Wed - 7:00 PM
Cedar Lanes
3131 N. Cedar, Fresno

Monterey Bay - Local #35-Reg#4

Call for info 760/956-1669

Palm Springs - Local #36-Reg#10

John "Grumpy" Grubb
P.O. Box 460
Rancho Mirage 92270
760/564-4336
jgrubb123@aol.com

4th Sunday - 8:30 AM
American Legion
400 N Belardo Rd.
Palm Springs

Imperial Valley - Local#38-Reg#12

Steve Mitosinka
660 W State St
El CentroCA
760/996-2093

Last Thurs - 7:00 PM
SOBE's
1151 S 4th St.
El Centro

Bakersfield - Local#40-Reg#6

Omar Macias
661/832-5240
661/900-8690

3rd Tues. 7:00 PM
Rusty's Pizza
5430 Olive Dr
Bakersfield 93308

High Desert - Local#44-Reg#13

Jerry McClure
P.O. Box 3094
Victorville CA 92392
760/948-0491

2nd Sat - 9:00 AM
Eagles Fraternal Order
16195 Main St.
Hesperia

Banning - Local #45-Reg#10

Trine Howell
760/323-9860

Call for Meeting Info
67387 Mission Dr.
Cathedral City 92234

Modesto - Local #46-Reg#5

Call for info 760/956-1669

Barstow - Local #47-Reg#13

Yermo Eddy
PO Box 521
Yermo CA 92398
760/254-3833 or 760/953-7353

2nd Sat-9:00 AM Meet with L#44
Eagles Fraternal Order
16195 Main St.
Hesperia

Hemet - Local #48-Reg#9

Meet with Local#27

Humboldt County - Local #50-Reg#1

Barbara Kennedy
707/946-2248

Call for meeting place & time

Calaveras County - Local #51-Reg#5

Call for info 760/956-1669

Grass Valley - Local#52-Reg#2

Steve Shoemaker
P.O. Box 356
Chicago Park 95712
530/798-0001

3rd Wed - 6:30 PM
Larry & Lena's Pizza & Grill
15690 Johnson Place
Hwy#49 Grass Valley

Owens Valley - Local#53-Reg#13

Meet with Local#58

West San Fernando - Local#54-Reg#8

Meet with Local #1

Visalia - Local #57 - Reg#6

Meet with L#24

Ridgecrest - Local #58-Reg#13

Dave Cornelius
760/447-4342

3rd Sat 10:00 AM
Mickey's Pub
1661 W. Triangle Dr.
Ridgecrest

Kern River Valley Lake (KRV Lake) Local#59-Reg#13

Meet with Local 40 or Local 58

Colfax - Local #60-Reg#2

Larry Burch
530/613-0912

2nd Thurs 7:00 PM
Grand Father's Club house
301 Railroad St., Colfax

Local #61 Shasta County-Redding

Call for info 760-956-1669

FREEDOM & MOTORCYCLE AWARENESS RALLY



May 23, 2011 – Hundreds of motorcycles cruised through downtown Sacramento on the way to this year's Freedom Rally, held on the south steps of the State Capitol. Motorcyclists from throughout the State and from every genre gathered in solidarity to proclaim to their legislators that their personal freedoms and rights will not be stolen. Rally participants were greeted by several legislators – Assembly members, Tim Donnelly, Shannon Grove, Kevin Jeffries, Chris Norby, Martin Garrick and Dan Logue; who along with State Senators Anthony Cannella, Bob Huff and Joel Anderson, affirmed their commitment to continue to fight for the rights of all of California's motorcyclists.



Deacon Phillips, founder of ABATE of California also addressed the crowd, reminding them that ABATE was 30 years old and urging them not to back down and to always stand up for rights that are already guaranteed by the Constitution. Gimmi Jimmy, National Commander of the US Defenders along with "Escondido" Paul Landers, National Lt. Commander were the featured speakers – California motorcyclists are perfectly poised to make a huge difference; however only if their efforts are united and they move forward in organized solidarity.



Following the rally, those in attendance visited with the legislators, encouraging them to pass biker-friendly legislation.



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Thanks to all the people that helped & participated in the event!

Special thanks to Gary & Teresa Haller who owns the Capitol coffee shop & gave us a 15% discount & are members of ABATE Local #25.