

A Union of Motorcyclists Dedicated to Freedom of the Road





Iron Goddess MotorShow - San Bernardino, CA.

The Motorcyclists show aimed to set World Record for the most female Motorcycle Riders!



Iron Goddess Motorshow Photos via Instagram, Facebook & ABATE Members`







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ABATE - Lobbyist Accomplishment Highlights

- Steered CHP committee, providing safety guidelines and legalizing Lane Splitting.
- Lobbied Caltrans to post "Look Twice for Motorcycles" and "Share the Road with Motorcycles" on their Freeway Message signs.
- Passed yearly "May is Motorcycle Awareness Month" Resolution in the CA State Assembly & Senate.
- Passed Senate Resolution 41 by Senator Caballero (D Salinas) Anti-profiling Resolution.
- Passed Bill legalizing Motorcycles' use of HOV lanes in California.
- Blocked bill allowing cameras to issue Motorcycle Noise tickets.
- Passed legislation working against police checkpoints that only target motorcycles.
- Stopped Transponders on Motorcycles for Autonomous Vehicle Recognition from advancing through Strategic Highway Safety Plan Advisory Committee.
- Defeated a bill by Assemblywoman LaFollette outlawing Lane Splitting by Motorcyclists in California.
- Defeated bill requiring Motorcyclists to wear Hi Vis Reflective Vests.
- Passed bill diverting Court fees on Helmet Violations to Support Motorcycle Safety Program.
- Protect yearly, the Motorcycle Safety Trust Fund, where Motorcycle registration Fees are deposited.
- Defeated a bill allowing Cameras to issue Speeding Tickets.
- Defeated bill requiring all Motorcycles to pass an annual Smog test.
- Passed bill grandfathering in pre 2016 motorcycle pipes for noise levels.
- Passed bill legalizing 'Ape-hanger' handlebars above the shoulders.
- Monitored over 2,500 bills introduced by the California Legislature related to impacts on Motorcyclists and their bikes, Every Year.

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Executive Director's Corner

by Chuck Pedersen

As I write this report for the June Bailing Wire, The Unification Rally in Sacramento will be happening this weekend. Therefore, by the time you are reading this, it will have already taken place. You can expect to hear a lot about it, if you haven't already ... and much more reporting on it in our July issue.

I want to thank Bobby T., our State Legislative Director, and the entire team, for their

dedication and effort each gave. Especially to Chappy, of MMA, who I think may have aged a few years in the process! This is (was) an important event, and we as the ABATE organization were happy to support it. As I mentioned above, more to come.

May was also Motorcycle Awareness Month. Thank you to the Locals, including Local 2 and Local 19, who stepped up and pushed Proclamations & Resolutions with the local governments in their areas. I am sure that other locals will report their success in their monthly reports.

Please remember about our Quarterly Presidents, P.A.C., and Board of Directors meetings on the 8th of July, in Anaheim. Further information is in a flyer within this edition. Please locate the information and plan to attend. I gracefully ask that we all show up in person, if at all possible. The meetings are more successful for real interaction when we are face to face. It will be a hybrid ZOOM call meeting, as well ... for those who cannot physically attend, but please do try to show up. (The ZOOM connection information will be listed in July Bailing Wire.)

We have been conducting monthly meetings of the Local Presidents online. I appreciate the integration and want to remind all Presidents that this is YOUR meeting; a place to have a voice. Some great comments have come from these meetings. One of which is that we have 12 new members! Congratulations and thanks to Local 44, Dave Hastings and to Local 38, Ed Aranda for the great success! I want to spend this year building the support between each Local, so we can better succeed as a whole. (Hence, my referral to "not being standalone silos, in my last month's article.) I encourage each Local to reach out to other Locals and create a network of helping each other out and sharing our successes. As an example, Local 3 will be supporting Local 2 with their Sweaty Buns Run in July.

In the Presidents meeting we also discussed getting back to having regional rallies. It was suggested, and further discussed, that we start with One-Day rallies that are held and supported by the regional areas. I think these hold promise in communicating ABATE's value to all motorcyclists, and the best way is to hang out and have fun. No one buys a motorcycle to be political. We just want to share our lives and stories. This will be a focus of our organization moving forward. Please step up and volunteer for this. Keeping it simple and creating a place where many can come and become one.

I want to give a quick shout out to Russ Brown and specifically to Shawn Mahoney. Russ Brown has definitely stepped up to show their support for ABATE. The current effort is to interview some of us within ABATE and post those interviews on their blogs and social media platforms. You may have already seen the one they did with me regarding the Unification Rally. These videotaped interviews will be made available at a national level. More information will be forthcoming.

I can't finish my report and not speak to some Office and Board positions that we are trying to fill. We are looking for a volunteer Bailing Wire publisher. Simply described, it involves taking approved content and formatting that into a 32-page document that is sent to our printer. Filling this position will help our finances to grow as ABATE is now paying for this service and the current publisher wants to regain his time to be our Lobbyist in Sacramento. Thanks James Lombardo! We are also looking for a financial person to manage our PAC funds. This involves reporting to the Secretary of States' Office donations that ABATE receives and from whom. Dave Hastings would like a break and we owe it to him.

May has been a busy month for us. Motorcycle Awareness communication and the Unification Rally's planning, along with all the things we each do to move this organization forward, is impressive to watch. Some in this organization wear more than one hat. I see your efforts and respect your dedication!

What is ABATE?

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

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Mission Statement

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





Membership Bits

by Bill "River" McClennen, Asst. Membership Chair

I come to you from the Penthouse Suite at the Ocotillo Inn in beautiful downtown Hell Centro, oh sorry, El Centro. The skies are blue, and the temp is 99. Why did I stop in? ... for ABATE Local 38's Monthly Meeting.

This guy, Ed Aranda, is quite the President! He puts on a meeting with gusto and vigor, where all 20 in attendance enjoyed what he had to say. From their Annual Toy Run, to all the events they do, everyone was involved. Even got a new member signup tonight!



Once Ed completed his agenda, he allowed me to get up and discuss where ABATE of California is headed. Better yet, all the efforts being put forth by Board members and Officers, and everyone in general, to make our ABATE even better than ever.

Further, I expanded on some of the dealers I've contacted, in order to reach a larger audience. Reaching out to more sources will be one of the ways we will grow our membership and continue the fight for the rights of all motorcycle riders in the state of California.

Local 38 has a little-known secret that I was able to uncover tonight. In a discussion with Rocio Green and Ed Aranda, I was able to determine why this Local has been so successful in sending \$\$\$ to the state. Are you ready for the answer? ... It is the participation of their sponsors. Yes, they have sponsors that are in it to help Local 38 have a bigger voice in Sacramento and on the hill in DC. We need to spread this word far and wide and offer this suggestion to all the Locals, helping them to be even more successful.

One final piece that brought a capacity crowd of 20 to the meeting, ... pins. Yearly pins are important to the members of Local 38. All members now have the pins due to them.

When the meeting ended, the temperature dropped all the way down to 96 degrees!

Final – final note: Discussions with Ed, Rocio, Peggy, and other members continued on for another 1/2 hour. What attending this meeting showed me was the power of leadership and how simply attending a meeting is so important for the group managing ABATE of California. As D-Man puts it, I was just there to observe. However, given the chance to offer input, that's like putting icing on the cake. It was sweet.

Till the next meeting, your 'reporter at large' signing off from Hell (El) Centro.







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If you have any photos of ABATE events, please send them to us. They will be returned if requested. Please include name of event, date, captions, etc. They must be received by the deadline in order to be published in the next issue. You can email pictures in (.jpg) or (.tiff) to <u>bailing.wire@abate.org</u>. All content is subject to approval by the Editor.

Lobbyist Capitol Update

by The Lombardo Group, ABATE of California Lobbyist



June in the Capitol...the Number One Priority for Legislators is to pass the State Budget by June 15th ...OR ELSE THEY DONT GET PAID!!! This was due to California Voters passing a Proposition about 15 years ago, and yes, they have passed the State Budget on time ever since Many bills are moving thru the Legislative process at this time, Senate Resolution 31 Jones (Republican Leader, Santee) May is Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month passed out of the Senate on May 11th 39-0 and the companion Bill ACR 74 by Chair Laura Friedman (D – Glendale) was heard on the Assembly Floor in May and presented to CHP Commissioner Duryee. You may recall he helped implement ABATE's Intermediate Course Bill for Motorcycling Licensing when he was in the CHP's Office of Special Representation, working alongside your Lobbyist.

Also, one of the many bills we are tracking is AB 416 by Assemblywoman Aguilar-Curry (D - Davis), requiring a human safety operator on all Autonomous Vehicles over 10,000 lbs. ***Please refer to our many Bills listed we are tracking to protect your rights and saftey on the next page.

The Caltrans Share the Road with Motorcyclists MESSAGE BOARDS WENT UP AGAIN IN MAY, ABATE pushed hard along with the CHP/ CMSP, these went up again for the 25th Consecutive year! As there are many "May is...(insert here) Month" more may need to be done on the Local level by members next year due to stiff competition from Special Events, Bicyclists, Travel Times, Safety Campaigns, Alerts and all other messages displayed during the month of May! Contact your Local Caltrans District Director.

The May Motorcyclists Rally was a GREAT success! After these many years it was great seeing many friends and Supporters of Abate there, while at the same time making new friends and allies into the future! The second outstanding thing of note was our Members who stayed over in Sacramento, visiting their Legislators at the state Capitol letting them know we matter and want to keep our freedoms and our Right to Ride!

Thank you to all the Locals and Individuals who Support the Dedicated Lobbyist Fund to Keep Us in the Capitol!

Politics: Legislature Proposed New Laws

Presented by The Lombardo Group

AB-251 Ward California Transportation Commission: vehicle weight safety study - Support if Amended to include Motorcyclists

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.

*Passed Assembly Appropriations May 18th

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. *Passed Assembly Appropriations May 18th

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.

The bill would designate all photographic, video, or other visual or administrative records, not including data about the number of violations issued or the speeds at which they were issued for, made by a system as confidential, and would only authorize public agencies to use and allow access to these records for specified purposes.

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.

*Passed Assembly Appropriations May 18th

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. *Passed Senate Appropriations May 18th

SB-708 Jones Vehicles: off-highway motor vehicles: offhighway 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 offhighway 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.

*Passed Senate Floor 39-0 May 11th

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

Existing law requires a driver and a passenger to wear a safety helmet meeting certain requirements when riding on a motorcycle, motordriven cycle, or motorized bicycle.

This bill would exempt from this requirement a person who wears a turban or patka as an expression of the person's religious belief and practice when riding on a motorcycle, motor-driven cycle, or motorized bicycle. *On Senate Floor for Vote

For Those Members who want to help or hold office contact your Presidents or Board Members (see page 3 & meeting info page)



A person committed to our

rights and protecting them.

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Business Member Spotlight

SINRA

"I don't need no stinkin' Estate Plan" Famous last



words: you don't need something ... until you do. Estate planning is all about protecting those you love, including yourself, if you are not there to take care of them. Proper estate planning will positively impact your life and legacy. It's never too early to start planning.

A Will, and/or a Trust, are the two legal instruments that are utilized for estate planning. Each has its own unique characteristics. A Will is a legal binding document providing instructions for distributing your assets after death. Beneficiaries, including family members, friends, and charitable organizations, are typically named in the will to receive portions of your estate. An executor may be appointed to ensure that all wishes expressed in the will are carried out. A Will communicates to your family and the courts your exact wishes concerning your property and custody of your children after your death. If your estate is extensive or complicated, you may want to consider some legal assistance to get everything sorted out properly. Your estate may still go through a potentially expensive probate, an expensive and public event. Most importantly, you must die for any benefit of the will to work for you.

A Living Trust is a legal document that allows you to transfer your assets into a Trust during your lifetime. The Trust is managed by a trustee of your choosing, who can be yourself, or someone else. Unlike a Will, the Trust allows you to specify where you want your assets to go after your death and the timing of the distribution. Because the Trust owns your assets when you die, there is no need to go through probate court. Avoiding probate means you will save on very expensive, statutory probate fees. Your heirs could receive their inheritance sooner and your estate would not be a matter of public record.

If you have children, or you own real estate, you need a Trust. Even if you do not fall into the former categories, I submit that you still need a Trust, and here's why. A Trust, unlike a Will, nominates a person to become your power of attorney should you become incapacitated. That means they will make sure your bills get paid like mortgage, life and disability insurance premiums. Having recently experienced this scenario where the individual only had a Will in place, we had to beg and borrow money from family to keep that person afloat while they were incapacitated. A predetermined Durable Power of Attorney, which is part of the Trust package, would

have precluded this situation.

I have found that the number one reason for not having an estate plan is because people find it overwhelming. That is why I started my company, SINRA Successor Trustee Services Inc. We are not a law firm. Rather, we are advisers that assist in creating an estate plan, maintaining the estate plan, and settling the estate.

I would encourage everyone to consider an estate plan or review of your current estate plan. Just like life, your plan document is also very fluid. We are available for a free consultation to ABATE members. We encourage everyone to talk to someone about your estate plan.

MARTY O 'MALLEY,

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Three Restaurant

My idea of a restaurant has 3 essential points:

Quality food (great Chef), Local drinks (all our draft beers are Bay Area breweries, and all our wine is from CA), Great ambiance (live music)



Three Restaurant was created as a family restaurant. As soon as a guest comes in, we do our best to make them feel at home and to feel like a member of our family.



Since we opened, back in January 2020, it has been a roller coaster ... the idea was perfect, but the timing was not. I'm a biker at heart, so I decided to create a biker room, open to all guests, but also for those bikers who would like to head to our restaurant on their bike, have a great meal, and feel at

home. We have a great, interesting, and yet casual atmosphere, where anyone will feel comfortable. Come on by, we have plenty of parking right in front of the Harley Wood Room.

I built the biker room in memory of my friend Steve "Hollywood" Goodwin, who passed away over a year ago. He

was my riding partner, he loved adventure, he loved speed, and he was very knowledgeable about the history of the Harley Davidson and motorcycles in general.

I would like to invite all ABATE members to come in and enjoy Three Restaurant and thank you for the opportunity. Francisco Castillo, Owner

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Event Flyers





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33th Annual 😝 One More From The Heart Run

Sunday November 12, 2023 for Totally Kids Rehabilitation Hospital in Loma Linda CA Facebook @ One More From The Heart Run

For the high end items we have a "high tech fund." e pass the hat for. Contact HR or have him pitch your gro



Sunday, November 12, 2023

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ONE MORE FROM THE HEART run A Run to Benefit Totally Kids Rehabilitation Hospital

"TOTALLY KIDS" REHABILITATION HOSPITAL is a home for the care of hnology dependent children. They care for very fragile infants and childre until the age of 21. They get a little public funding, but get nothing for the "BELLS & WHISTLES" of Life. This is where this Run and YOUR generosity comes in. Please, stick to the wish list of their needs or call "HR" to check before you vary off the list, the children have very explicit needs. Items on this list need not be new, just clean and serviceable. This truly is a phenomenal event that garners benevolence even from the miserly. TK and their residents can not thank you all enough for all the support you all have given over these years. When interacting with the residents you easily sense their glee that "the Bikers are back!"

*** ALL VEHICLES WELCOME! ***

THIS YEAR'S PLAN. It is Fortunate that we've been able to Carry On through the troubles of the Covid Event and WE: thank you at undriturately we are still under Restrictions and will have to continue our DRIVE HPR/UGH method. This is a share because interacting with the residents is where this FVENT entry! takes hold. The Chopper Place Meet Up will Ride In and Drive Through then will head to a new CLOSER Place. hold. The Chopper Place Meet Up will Ride In and Drive Through then will head to a rew CLOSER Place. Taglor's Bar, for the meet and greet Ba's the norm, everybody need not show up with us as mang yroups hav formed over the years and arrive independently of us, but PLEASE keep to the Time Frame, the Drive Throug uib eopen from 1000AMI to 12: Noon. People will be on Station to direk you through and where to leave you donations and which exit to use to not hinder the next group coming along. We anticipate a full return to norm enty year THAMKY VOLLLS D MUCEIII to this smarrer it is difficult to bring Twey' participants in as interaction with the residents is such a poverful draw, we will have to have word of mouth sustain our growth so TALK IT UP!!!!! You can go to or send people to their WEB Site to see the work they do out there at: https://totallykids.com/

India in with US from The Chopper Place leaving 10am sharp. MAKE A PASS THROUGH WITH YOUR GROUP at Totally Kid's Hospital 10am-noon. Then JOIN up with us at: TAYLOR'S BAR & GRLL -26787 Barton Road, Redlands, California 92373.

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WE ARE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER



ABATE OF CALIFORNIA NEWSLETTER

Locals Reports

Local #01 Los Angeles

Well, we had our first meeting at the new location. We had a smaller than usual turnout, maybe due to our moving to a new time and place.

Our new meeting location is 14518 Arminta Street, Panorama City, just west of Van Nuys Blvd. Our next meeting will be on June 13, the 2nd Tuesday of the month. Good News is ... We'll be having a BBQ to encourage members to come by for Dinner, a little comradery, and a Meeting. Doors open at 5:30 for a meeting start at 6:00 pm.

Over the past weeks, we have been attending local Bike Nights, sharing about the benefits of ABATE and informing riders of the Unification Rally in Sacramento. Our goal is to build our membership, being inclusive of all riders and types of bikes. We have been discussing how best to present our information to those we meet. We are updating our info. handouts with our bio and contact information. We are also working on meeting announcement flyers to go along with them.

If you are in the area, on the 2nd Tuesday of the month, stop by and say "Hello" and see what's going on.

Ride Safe ... Ride Free. Jim Nickla, President

Local #02 Simi Valley

Congratulations to the members of Local #02, led by President, Jane Warthen, for securing a Resolution from the City of Simi Valley, declaring "May is Motorcycle Awareness Month."

Pictured with Simi Valley Mayor, Fred Thomas are ABATE Local #02 members: Bob Phillips, Jim & Betty Kibbe, Ed Glade, and Rich & Luci Rojas. Present, but just out of picture were Patti Bock and Jane Warthen.



Local #02 members are also hard at work preparing their famous and always fun "Sweaty Buns Poker Run," to be held July 23rd. See flyer in this issue for full details.

Local #3 Thousand Oaks/Ventura

Things have been going well for our Local 3, and for ABATE in general!

End of April, we attended the Downed Rider Fundraiser event, put on by Ventura Black Sheep at Ventura Harley. This motorcycle ministry group has been very supportive of ABATE. We brought an ABATE booth, talked with lots of folks and signed up a couple new members! It was a great day for them, and for us, as well.

On the first Thursday of May was our monthly Bike Night. We had a good time hanging out with old friends and getting to know some new ones. Now that the weather is getting nicer, attendance is increasing. We love these casual evenings with pals.

As of the publishing of this issue of Bailing Wire, we will have attended The California Unification Rally, on the steps of the Capital Building in Sacramento, on May 21st. We will have reports on it's effect and success in our next month's issue.

Supporting ABATE sends money to work towards fair treatment of motorcyclists. Whether you ride with ABATE or ride with another group, being a member of ABATE and/or just participating in these 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 assemble a formidable voice in Sacramento. We are a group that is making things happen... being instrumental in passing Lane Splitting legislation just a couple of years ago, and now working on the Anti-Profiling Bill and noise bills this year! (see the flyer in this issue outlining ABATE accomplishments) Join ABATE to be an effective voice in matters of motorcycling rights! At \$40/year – it's a bargain!

Our Local #3 is always welcoming 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 Elk's Lodge #2477, 158 N. Conejo School Rd. in Thousand Oaks; and periodic Sunday rides are planned by our members.

Come join Us ... to any or all of these events ... and bring your friends ...Check us out on Facebook @ www.Facebook/ABATE313 to follow our events and issues.

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Ride Free! Kathlean "MamaBear" P. P.R. ABATE Local #3

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

Hey There ABATE members and Readers,

It is with sadness and sorrow that I share this news – We lost a dear friend and VIP member on April 29th, Diane Howe, wife of our Local 17 Treasurer Greg Howe. We share our prayers and sympathy for you Greg and to your and Diane's families. A reminder to Love and Cherish those you love, as you never know when life can change. I'm so glad we



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had time together the week before on our Spring Bingo run, and she won TWICE!!!!!

We had a beautiful day for our Spring Bingo run and had a great time with friends. Thanks to our host stops – Miss Darla's, Judy's Wild Wrangler, Green River Taproom, The Ravine on 16 and The Road Trip. We welcomed a new couple to our Local, Irene and David Birtcil and they both won a bingo game!!!!! Thanks to Derrick Mendes who won at The Ravine on 16 and donated his winnings back to our Local. A shout out to Joe and Shelly Travis and Mike Landers for making donations at our last stop towards the winning pot! We've got generous folks in our Local!!!!!

Our Summer Bingo run will be held on July 22nd ... starting at Miss Darla's in Vacaville and ending at our new business member Francisco Castillo's restaurant, "3 Restaurant" in Fairfield. If you have never been on one of these runs, you are missing out. There are payouts at every stop. It is a fun day that you will remember.

Thanks to Dee Dee, Mike Todd, and Jan Landers for handling our Rummage Sale event on May 7th. It was a successful and fun time hanging out selling our "stuff." A big shout out to Rogue Militia for allowing us to use their clubhouse for our event.

Don't forget to write down July 22nd (Summer Bingo) and October 1st (Fall Bingo and Memorial Run). More info will be coming on these events.



Finally – Please consider supporting the Local with a bit of your time and leadership. We need volunteers for President, Vice President, and Event Coordinator. I want to focus more on my membership position. Our VP, Mike Todd will be moving soon. We don't have (and really need) an Event Coordinator. More hands make lighter work.

Too Bad Ed Gilbertson was not at our recent membership meeting, as he would have left \$60 richer from the Biker Bucks drawing. Since we will be at the Unification Rally in May, during our normal meeting time, our meeting in June we'll be looking for a current member's name to be pulled for a \$70 pot. Attend the June 18th meeting and maybe it will be YOUR name pulled.

See you around the next corner!

Glenn

Local #19 Pomona & San Gabriel Valleys

This month's update is about how the last few months of hard work came to fruition.

In support of ABATE State's activity, our Local was able to get a Proclamation from MY city of residence, La Verne, declaring May as Motorcycle Awareness Month. Many of our members were tied up with preparations for the "Run For The Wall" (RFTW) or preparing to participate in the run itself. However, we brought out the heavy hitters. John & Sam Peterson, both founding members of the Local, and residents of La Verne. Bill Baum was also one of our Local founders, and a former resident of La Verne. In addition, my wife, Gailyn, and I were there to receive their Proclamation and thank them for it. Although an offer had been made to supply them copy used by State to assist in the crafting of the Proclamation, they opted to write it up themselves... and they did a GREAT job.



Our other big activity of the month was providing coffee and donuts for "Run For The Wall." Instead of all three routes leaving on Wednesday, this year Midway Route departed Tuesday, and the other two routes departed Wednesday. With this change, we were asked if we were willing to participate on Tuesday, in addition to Wednesday. We were the first group to commit to supporting Tuesday. In their appreciation, RFTW leadership got some donations to help cover some of our expenses. With the additional insulated Cambro containers we purchased after RFTW last year, we were able to pre-brew enough coffee to not have to brew on site for Tuesday... but some of us were up all night to do so. Although not up brewing quite as late Tuesday night, we did brew on site Wednesday.

We had lots of help making things happen at the start location, including Tom and Carol Garett, Diane Davis, Sharon Anderson, Mark and Kay Schlotfeldt, Sporty, Bill Baum, Joni Stallings, Vickie Covan, Steve and Julie Toone, Gloria Klinkenborg, and Barb Shoemaker. I certainly cannot leave out head brew mistress, my wife, Gailyn was in charge of all the brew. We also had member participants, including Tim and Deanne Hastings and Jesse and Lisa Godinez. We "sold out" (we don't charge for them) on donuts both days... and our diets appreciated that.

Bad Ass Coffee in Tustin had donated what they hoped was enough coffee to cover both days. But after Tuesday we knew what we had

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was not going to make it, so we passed the closer Rancho Cucamonga location owned by a different franchise family and drove to the Tustin store that donated the first batch, to BUY more and support their location. I had not fully appreciated the value of what they had donated up front. But it is really good coffee!



Our RFTW support is not done as a fundraiser. It is a community support and outreach activity at the Local's expense. Fortunately, for decades we have had generous members that value support of this event and make sure we have everything we need to make it happen.

Jeff Bassler, President Local #19

Local #24 Fresno

ABATE Local 24's "AMMO Run 2023" last weekend was a beautiful ride, once we got through the potholed gauntlet of Hwy 41 North, from Riverdale to Kettleman City.

We had 16 bikes and the weather was the best I've seen in Morro Bay! The old highway from Creston to Atascadero was smooth, with a lot of swoops and little traffic.

The Longhorn Bar and Grill in Creston had some awesome food!

The Hot Rod show was going on in Morro Bay, so we had our ride ending up at The Bouy. Our good friends bar tending were exceptional. Raffle and 50/50, plus rider sign-ups gained about \$800 for the cause and we had a few new members sign up, as well. Sunday was a leisurely jaunt up the coast, through Cayucos to West Bar & Grill in



Cambria. The Pacific Shores Motel has a nice veranda to relax in the evening sunset.

Some folks say, "do we bring our guns for this ride?" I have to let them know AMMO stands for: "Among Mountains, Missions and Oceans."

Next year come and have a fun weekend with us!

Joel Ross, President Local 24

Local #25 Sacramento

Minutes of the ABATE Local 25 meeting, Thursday, April 20, 2023.

Lil' David called the meeting to order at 7:00.

There were 6 members attending. David Battles cousin brought Don Weber for a visit.

Secretary Report: David Battles made a motion to accept the minutes as presented (sent out by e-mail), seconded by Lil'David, motion carried.

Treasurer Report: David Smart presented a hard copy trial balance report for the month of April. David M. made a motion to pay our D&O for the year along with a general fund donation. David B. seconded the motion. Motion carried.

PAC Report – We are gearing up for the Unification Rally on May 21. One member volunteered to work security for the event. ABATE made campaign donations to two members of the Legislature. There was an additional donation to the Unification Rally. ABATE is looking for a new PAC Treasurer. We also need a regional representative for the North Region.

Runs/Events – American Legion Post 521 is having their annual poker run this Saturday. Hellbent is having a cornhole tournament the following weekend. Placer Bike Nights resumed on April 27th.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30

Local #38 Imperial Valley

Hello ABATE Members & Readers,

Our Stimulus Run was a huge success! There were 60 riders, including Local 1's Sporty Milligan, who's made the trip down to the Valley three 3 times for this run.

It was a nice ride, a little warm, about 102 degrees. The best part was ... by the end of the run we signed up six new members, one of them being a business member! This is the best we have done. The winners of our Stimulus Run raffle are as follows: \$500 Alfred Chavez, \$200 Sue Hobbs, \$150 the Sister Evelyn Mourey Center, \$100 Maria Munoz and the \$50 winner is Eduardo Montreal.

ABATE 38 would like to thank everyone ... from our Sponsors, to Local 38 members, our participants, our hosts, Covne Powersports, (breakfast was great,) Los Cabos Restaurant at the end, (the service was great.) I also want to thank our run stop hosts: The Lazy Lizard in Ocotillo, Applebee's in Calexico, and Costales Bar in Holtville; all wonderful places. We received raffle prizes from the AutoZone stores in Imperial as well as both El Centro stores, Biltwell, Bobby's Territorial Harley Davidson, the Fire Group, Law Tigers, Motoworld Indian Motorcycles, and Southwest Equipment Supply.

It was nice to see so many different bike groups, as well as solo riders, coming together for a good cause. There are plenty of pictures of our event on "ivmoto.com." Rocio, goes above and beyond to get the best pictures to display on her page.

There were a lot of new faces, as well as some familiar ones I haven't seen in a while. The proceeds will go to helping us fight for our freedom of choice and right to ride, as well as to fund our runs at the end of the year.

Once again thanks to everyone who helped make this run a success.

See you down the road. Ride Safe.

Ed Aranda,

President Local 38

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Live, Love and Ride!

By Tom Hicks

Southern California Motorcycles & E-Bicycles

Pillion ...

I didn't even know what that word meant most of my life. It means a seat for a passenger behind a motorcyclist. Wow, this opens discussion we could go on for hours!

Many motorcyclists want his or her special person with them when they are riding. Most times they are a passenger or riding "pillion" and that can be a very special and rewarding experience. Unfortunately, some young guys have ruined countless women from ever riding a motorcycle again because as soon as she is onboard, the guy's testosterone goes ballistic, and he feels the need to prove his manhood by popping wheelies or riding high speed quarter mile jaunts. Then she gets off the bike after being terrified and says, "I'll never get on one of those again!" That is so sad.

Two-up riding is incredible fun and can give great lifetime memories. I have often said, if you can keep your special one safe and comfortable all while having fun, you will ride a lot more! It's not rocket science, just get them proper comfortable protective gear, a comfortable seat, and then ride safely and properly.

Story time.... I had just bought my 1977 Goldwing and was so proud of it. I took my wife on a ride from the dealership to show it off to her family. They all came out in time to see me spin out and toss us both over the high side. It had been raining and I just lost it within 20 feet of the whole group as we were leaving. I broke my collar bone, and she broke her shoulder! I'm just saying that you must always be on guard, as you never know when the crap can happen. Thankfully, she went on to ride tens of thousands of miles on the back of my bike with no problems, while we created a lifetime of memories.

Carrying a passenger makes your bike more top heavy and actually a bit more difficult to ride. That's not bad, it just means you must adjust your riding style for the extra weight. If you do this and pay attention to the different way you need to ride, you and your passenger will have a wonderful time!

Now, my wife rides her own bike, and is by my side when we go places on our motorcycles. We have such a great time, but I must admit, I do like it so much when she rides on the bike with me. And you might not believe it, but I have ridden on the back of her bike too!

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Stimulus Run



Local #3 Booth at Black Sheep's Downed Rider Event April 2023



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Sporty's Rides

By Lee "Sporty" Milligan

May shaped up to be an important month, with a lot going on.

I'll start with my progress from my accident. This latest mishap

has cost me dearly. The bike was totaled, and I only got \$877, but the damages were a lot more. For about \$2500 it was repaired to the way it was before the accident. It runs rough, but it runs.

The hard part was getting the bike retitled as a salvage wreck. First, I rode to the Old Road CHP to get the bike inspected, no problem there. The next day I went to the DMV in Newhall to retitle my bike. They said my paperwork was incomplete. I needed a brake and light inspection. I tried to get away with an excuse from my guy who worked on my bike. So, he wrote a note on the special form, and I went back to the DMV on Friday. After



waiting about a half hour, the clerk said it was not acceptable, because the form had not been signed. I muttered something and proceeded to go back to get the form signed, all proper like. It was an hour up and then back to the DMV. Another half hour waiting and AGAIN the clerk said, "incomplete." So, I found a brake and light inspection station one mile away. After waiting 45 minutes through that guy's lunch break, he inspected the brakes and lights and they passed. Back to the DMV. And FINALY I had the necessary stuff and my new salvage title for my bike. Mission accomplished.

Like they say on the Johnny Carson Show, "and we're back." Sunday, I decided to visit the Rock Store. It was a nice day, and the bike was running okay. My mission was to pass out Bailing Wire newsletters and Unification Rally flyers. The crowd was respective. But what made my day was when I ran into Kurt Winter, the owner of Valley Cycle. I have known Kurt for several decades. In fact, I bought my first bike, a BSA 250 single from him for \$500. It was a fun bike. Kurt was also instrumental in getting my first Sporty – a 1970 kick start. It was a nice bike and only \$1900 dollars. It was nice to catch-up.

The next adventure was Tuesday, where I went to Bartels HD to kill some time before going the Bike Night in Culver City. The crowd was on the 'young' side, which was good because ABATE would like to get more younger riders educated and involved. I talked up ABATE, passed out Bailing Wires, and later enjoyed street tacos provided by Cycle Gear ... yummy. They had two rock bands that entertained the crowd. I had a great time. I headed back to the barn, pleased with the event and my presence there at the bike night. I had to rearrange my gear on the bike. Apparently, the box I had on my back rack was not strong enough to hold the bungee cords and they split the box. So, I had another 12-minute delay, while uttering f#\$k to myself. With the new arrangements in place, I was off.

After I got my first tank of gas, I rode about 95 miles, my first stop for gas. I had promised Renee that I would text her, so she would not worry about me. So, every other gas stop I texted her my progress. Down Hwy 86 in Salton Sea, I stopped to get more gas and had a KFC 2-piece box lunch and a drink - \$12 – geeze, what a rip off. Nevertheless, I made it to the Motel 6 by 5 45 pm, got my handy-capped accessible room and settled in for the night. Next morning got coffee and gas and headed out.

The start of the Stimulus Run was at Coyne Power Sports in Banning. I met up with Ed Aranda and his crew. I bought raffle money tickets and special raffle tickets. Finally, I took off on

the route. I pulled a Queen as my first draw. Nice! The next stop was the Lazy Lizard in Ocotillo. There, I drew 3 of Spades, "that sucks." From there we went to Applebee's in Calexico, where I drew an Ace ... "bitchen!" Then off to a bar in Holtsville called Costales Bar. The final stop was the Los Cabos Restaurant in El Centro. This was a nice endspot! Local 38's past president (nice guy, wish I could remember his name) bought me lunch.

Although I didn't win anything, I had a ball ... I mean a ball! Ed and his Local 38 crew did a 'bang-up' job of having a nice ride, good raffle prizes, and nice after party with good food. After they had finished doing the special raffle prizes, \$500, \$200, \$150, \$100, and \$50 I said my good-byes. Thanks, and congratulations to Local 38 for another swell event!

I took the same route home, Hwy 86 to the 10 freeway. When I got to Palm Springs, I tried to get a room at Motel 6. But, at \$131, I said, "Thanks, But No Thanks" to that and rode home. It was a little windy when I got to the 210 freeway. I texted my location to my best one, Renee, and said I would be home by 10pm. I stopped once more for gas and coffee and finally pulled into my driveway at 10pm, tired but happy I made the trip. That's pretty much the best thing I've done recently!

Thanks for coming along on my BOLD ADVENTURES OF SPORTYS RIDES

Scribe, Sporty - Out.

My final ride of this month was my trip to El Centro for ABATE Local 38's Stimulus Run. It was a sunny day. Before I could leave for El Centro,

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Members' Ride

by Jeff Bassler,

Board Member and President Local #19



So, I took a test ride of the Harley Davidson Pan America. I have some gripes with the current HD CEO and as a result of his actions, many of the current Harley Davidson models are above the price ranges that I am willing to pay for them. However, the new Pan America is priced well within its category of adventure touring motorcycles. A dealership that I frequent was having a special test ride event for the Pan America and threw in some goodies, plus a drawing to win a new Road Glide. I figured, why not try it out? At least the chance to win a Road Glide was worth the One thing that I was not thrilled by is time!

One of the first things you observe with the Pan America is the high seat height which could limit who can ride it. The reason for this is the ground clearance needed in the event you take it off road. To make the bike accessible to more riders, most of the Specials include an adaptive ride height feature. What this does is lower the bike several inches so that a shorter rider may touch the ground when coming to a stop. Then the bike raises back up when the motorcycle accelerates from safety mechanism when a stop.

Another unique feature for Harley is the assortment of ride modes. This bike was designed for use on any terrain. Rain Mode dulls all the controls so you are less likely to slide out or lose control with quick maneuvers road, and removed for on wet terrain. This doubles as a great training mode for someone new to riding such the boot and peg on a bike. The Road Mode is great for general use. In Sport Mode, it stiffens everything up and makes it much more responsive. And of

course, there is an Off-Road Mode that is uniquely tailored for the conditions you will find with trail and off-road riding. You can even program custom modes that are unique to you and your riding style/needs.

The original VRod introduced the 1130cc Revolution motor, designed with Porsche, Later versions of the VRod featured the upgraded 1250cc version with more performance. That motor has undergone more upgrades and now powers the Pan America. This motorcycle is substantially lighter than any VRod and has a shorter wheelbase. As a result, this bike can achieve performance that is comparable to most metric sport bikes. But if you are going to ride that way, you'll need an aggressive riding posture to keep the front wheel on the road and proper control of the bike. It really is pretty zippy and a fun bike to ride!

A lot of features are available with Pan America from heated grips to bike protection elements. A full complement of detachable bike luggage is available that offers a lot of storage space in addition to key locks that secure them to the bike. There is even a nice tank bag with a clear view compartment for maps, directions, or even your cell phone. The high-tech glass display has full Bluetooth integration and is easily controlled from the handlebars. that it does not have the traditional HD blinkers. Although they are controlled exclusively with the left thumb, they do self-cancel well. It does not have the traditional HD Jiffy stand,

but it does have a similar lock mechanism when weight is on the stand. It also has a center stand, which allows it to take less space to park, as well as enables you to change

tires without a jack. The deployed. Thoughtfulness of the engineers even gives us removable rubber inserts for the pegs for increased comfort on maximum grip between off road (...or in urban potholes).

The Pan America would not be MY first choice for long rides such as heading to Sturgis if I were planning to stay on the road. But with its adaptability, it is great for many rides including off road and bike camping. Overall,



it's not a traditional Harley as I have known them. But it does harken back to how a lot of Harleys were ridden in the early days. I was pretty impressed with the bike!

It had such an effect on me, that one followed me home! The Road Glide will still be my primary bike. But the Pan America will open new opportunities and will be shared with my son. It is a great way to let motorcycles bring the family together.

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Compiled & Edited by Bill Bish

CIRCLE THE DATE – 38TH NCOM CONVENTION IN ARIZONA

A "must-see" in the biker's rights community, this year's NCOM Convention is scheduled for Father's Day weekend, June 16–18, 2023 at the Hilton Phoenix-Tempe, so don't miss this opportunity to empathize with hundreds of fellow concerned riders coming together from across America for the "Betterment of Biking"!

Register online at www.ON-A-BIKE. com or by calling the National Coalition of Motorcyclists (NCOM) at (800) 525-5355, and be sure to reserve your hotel room now by calling (480) 967-1441, and mention NCOM for our Special Room Rate.

US & EU PUSH IMMINENT DEMISE OF FOSSIL FUEL VEHICLES

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has proposed sweeping emissions cuts for new cars and trucks through 2032, a move it says could mean two out of every three new vehicles automakers sell will be electric within a decade.

The EPA proposal, if finalized, represents the most aggressive U.S. vehicle emissions reduction plan to date, with automakers forecast to produce 60% EVs by 2030 and 67% by 2032 to meet requirements – compared with just 5.8% of U.S. vehicles sold in 2022 that were EVs.

John Bozzella, CEO of the Alliance for Automotive Innovation representing General Motors, Volkswagen, Toyota and others, told Reuters that "factors outside the vehicle, like charging infrastructure, supply chains, grid resiliency, the availability of low carbon fuels and critical minerals will determine whether EPA standards at these levels are achievable."

EPA Administrator Michael Regan declined to endorse setting a date to end the sale of new gasoline-powered vehicles, and emphasized that the current proposal is a "performance-based standard" and not an EV mandate.

Taking an even stricter approach, abroad, the European Parliament has formally approved a law to effectively ban the sale of new petrol and diesel cars in the European Union from 2035, aiming to speed up the switch to electric vehicles and combat climate change.

The landmark rules will require that by 2035 carmakers must achieve a 100% cut in CO2 emissions from new cars sold, which would make it impossible to sell new fossil fuel-powered vehicles in the 27-country bloc.

Meanwhile, back in the states, U.S. Representative John Joyce (R-PA) along with more than sixty cosponsors has introduced House Resolution 1435 "To amend the Clean Air Act to prevent the elimination of the sale of internal combustion engines." Titled the "Preserving Choice in Vehicle Purchases Act," H.R. 1435 is designed to protect Americans' right to choose the technology that powers their motor vehicles.

CALIFORNIA BILL WOULD LIFT BANS ON CRUISING

Assemblyman David Alvarez (D-San Diego) has introduced Assembly Bill 436 to repeal the ban on cruising statewide and prohibit local authorities from stopping drivers from cruising and driving cars that have been modified to be of a certain height.

Cruising became popularized nationally after the release of breakout film "American Graffiti" in 1973, a coming of age comedy-drama set in 1960s Modesto, but cities across California (and elsewhere) began to enact bans on cruising in automobiles [and motorcycles] starting in the 1970s during the oil embargo. In 1982, the California Legislature authorized cities to pass ordinances prohibiting cruising, declaring "the cruising of vehicles in business areas of cities and communities in this state for the purpose of socializing and assembling interferes with the conduct of business, wasted precious energy, resources, impedes the progress of general traffic and emergency vehicles, and promotes the generation of local concentrations of air pollution and undesirable noise levels."

AB 436 would remove the authorization for a local authority to adopt rules and regulations regarding cruising. This current effort follows a resolution unanimously approved by the State Legislature last year (ACR 176) encouraging cities to repeal their bans and recognizes that cruising holds cultural significance for many communities.

LANE SPLITTING BILL FILTERS THROUGH OREGON LEGISLATURE

Beaver State lawmakers are taking another crack at letting motorcyclists travel between lanes in slow or stopped traffic, two years after then-Gov. Kate Brown unexpectedly vetoed a similar bill. Senate Bill 422 recently passed the Senate with strong bipartisan support by a 27-2 vote. It now heads to the House, where representatives in both parties have signed on as sponsors. If passed, motorcyclists would be able to travel between lanes on multi-lane highways with a speed limit of at least 50 mph, but only when traffic has slowed to 10 mph or less. Motorcyclists riding between cars could travel no more than 10 mph faster than the flow of traffic.

Motorcyclists argue the policy can improve traffic congestion and leaves them less vulnerable to being rearended by inattentive drivers. If the bill makes it through the Senate and receives gubernatorial approval, Oregon would join four other western states in endorsing some form of the practice, which is known as lane splitting, lane sharing or lane filtering, depending on the exact details of the behavior allowed.

California currently allows lane splitting under different circumstances than Oregon's proposed law, as does Montana. Utah allows a similar concept called "filtering" when traffic is stopped at an intersection. A policy in Arizona took effect in September.

Neighboring Washington does not allow the practice, though is currently considering such legislation (HB 1063). One frequently cited study from the University of California Berkeley concluded that lane splitting can be safe under certain conditions.

HAWAII CONSIDERS 'RIDE ON RED' LEGISLATION

A new bill in the Aloha State could allow riders to go on red lights during certain hours, as House Bill 1319 aims to solve the problem of motorcyclists being stranded at red lights that don't detect their presence.

If you don't have enough metal, sometimes you won't be detected because the loops work on electromagnetic fields which is broken by metal," according to Hawaii Department of Transportation engineering program manager Bryan Kimura. HB 1319 "Allows operators of bicycles, motorcycles, and mopeds to proceed through an intersection on a steady red signal during certain hours (11 p.m.-5 a.m.) if the traffic signal is controlled by a vehicle detection device that is inoperative due to the size or composition of the bicycle, motorcycle, or moped."

Hawaii already allows "shoulder surfing" for motorcyclists, which is considered an alternative to lane splitting on their narrower roads. Over 20 states have enacted "dead red" or "ride on red" laws that give motorcyclists and bicyclists an affirmative defense to proceed through a red light with caution after stopping when they are not detected by the traffic light controller, though each state is different and has its own unique rules about the time period.

FACIAL RECOGNITION COMING TO MOTORCYCLES

With AI in the mainstream news lately, and new technologies integrating into our daily lives, it should come as no surprise that BMW is now the first motorcycle manufacturer in the world to incorporate facial recognition software that makes the traditional ignition key superfluous.

Billed as anti-theft technology, BMW's iFace system utilizes infrared to map the rider's facial features, builds a virtual model of the user's face in three dimensions, and should someone else attempt to steal your BMW, iFace will send a distress message to eCall electronic emergency service and BMW Motorrad Call Centre.

Further, to help identify the thief, the scan data is sent to a central international database of criminals for identification. We don't recommend you use this feature if you have any outstanding warrants. The system is set to be unveiled to the public at an autumn 2023 motorcycle show, and it'll only be available on BMW's Boxer-engined bikes.

POLICE DRONES ZERO IN ON MOTORCYCLE ROAD SAFETY

New police drones are being trialed in the U.K. to try and reduce road accidents, with a particular focus put on motorcyclists. The RAC reports that the drones will be able to be used to track a vehicle's speed, and record any incidents. Video captured from the drone can then be used against offending road users.

Additionally, the drones are reportedly able to check the insurance, MOT, and road tax status of a car or motorcycle, and even track stolen vehicles.

Recording of a vehicle can be done by a drone up to four miles away, and the project is a part of the Police's "Vision Zero" initiative, which aims to improve road safety by totally eradicate injuries and deaths from road traffic collisions and crashes.

It seems that there is a particular focus on motorcyclists, as Inspector Colin Harper from the drone team described the use of the drones as "innovative" and added: "At present, our focus is on motorcyclists, who are at highest-risk according to our data, particularly at this time of year when more riders will be venturing out again after the winter."

QUOTABLE QUOTE: "We're surrounded. That simplifies things."

~ USMC Col. Lewis B. "Chesty" Puller during the Chosin Reservoir campaign in Korea, 1950

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Membership Report

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

We're heading into the 3rd quarter of this years Membership Drive. I have a new member from my Local #01, Marty



O'Malley. He signed up for a business membership and is featured in the Business Members' Spotlight of this issue. Keep in mind that you can sweeten your business memberships with an offer of a business profile Spotlight.

Now that I got your attention ... You might try out this approach to getting new members. Example: "Hello, I am (your name) with ABATE of California, Local (your local number) and I would like you to consider becoming a member of ABATE of California. We are a motorcycle rights group that protects your right to ride. We have a paid lobbyist who works in the State Capital working on legislation that affects us all. By joining ABATE, you are supporting and building up our group of likeminded freedom fighters, dedicated to our freedom of the road." That's the simple pitch. It may take some time, but we're all concerned about getting new members, so keep plugging along and your efforts will pay off.

So now, what do you need to help make this happen? Always carry Bailing Wire newsletters and membership cards with you on your bike or in the car. When sharing about ABATE, refer to the info. in the Bailing Wire ... our legislative accomplishments, the bills we're working on, etc.

Presidents, make your meetings interesting and informative. Have an Agenda to help make the time productive. Then send out that Agenda or minutes of the meeting to the members of your Local, including those that could not make the meeting. This keeps everyone informed and engaged. Also, remember your renewals. They are just as important as the new members. Keeping in contact with all your members is what it takes to keep your membership intact.

One last reminder – the membership raffle drawing is fast approaching. PLEASE turn in your ticket stubs before June 30, to be included in the drawing on July 8th.

Feel free to call on me or our Asst. Membership Director, Bill McClennen, with your membership concerns, challenges, and SUCCESSES.



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Events -

NCOM Convention June 16th-18th (Page 21) ABATE Board Meeting July 8th Anaheim, CA (Page 27) Summer Bingo Run Local 17: July 22nd Sweaty Buns Local 2: July 23rd (Page 9) Fall Bingo & Memorial Run Local 17: October 1st The Toy Run Local 19: December 3rd (Page 9) ABATE Local 03 - 1st Thursday of the month see flyer on Page 9

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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Mike & Mary Osborn	Reggie & Avril MacKay	a mailed copy of the Bailing Wire, the months it is printed, a yearly certificate
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