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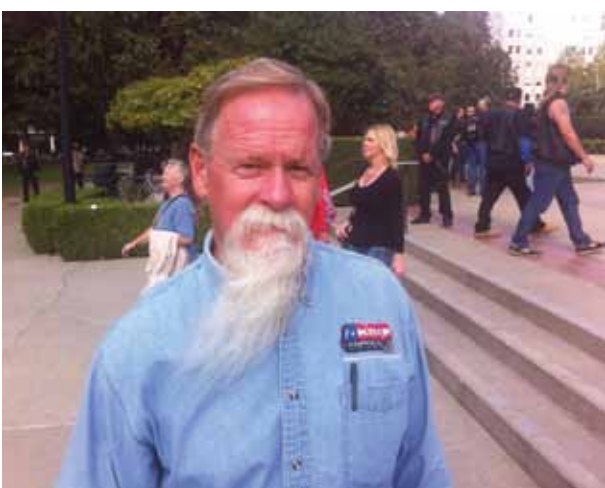


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Executive Director's Report



by Dave Hastings, Executive Director

We have been experiencing beautiful weather here in southern California the last few weeks and it is serving as a pleasant reminder that summer will soon be on her way. We are blessed to have the opportunity to partake of so many different outdoor activities while the rest of our country endures freezing temperatures on a daily basis. Along with the warmer temperatures comes an increase in our riding time and soon we will be back on daylight savings time to further lengthen our riding days.

Hopefully you and your Local members are already planning some weekend events to attend this year to support ABATE of California. Check out our "ABATE Events" listing in the Bailing

Wire each month for a guide to events in your immediate area and elsewhere throughout the state. Remember to spend your money and time where it benefits you most - at one of our own ABATE events! Start making your reservation now for our upcoming Regional Rally held on Mother's Day weekend, attend the events put on by our Locals statewide, and most importantly, make sure you watch your mail for our Annual Appeal fundraiser that will be occurring soon. Every ABATE event that raises funding for our organization is beneficial and always worthy of your attention and your hard earned donations are used to enhance and protect your riding lifestyle.

ABATE is a volunteer, self funded, not-for-profit corporation that exists solely to protect your motorcycle rights. Make a promise now to help us make 2015 a productive and successful year for our California riders. If your membership is due, please renew. Bring a friend to your meeting and then do your best to persuade them to join us. Ask your friends in business to become a Business Member and advertise in our Bailing Wire. Become a Sustaining Member of ABATE of California. Volunteer with your Local or at the State level. There are so many ways we can all help, just strive in some way that works for you to ensure that 2015 is the best year possible for ABATE and our motorcycle rights in California.

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What is ABATE?

ABATE is a motorcyclists' rights organization (not a club) dedicated to preserving freedom of choice and freedom of the road, with emphasis on education and safety. Our members are active in programs for public awareness and motorcycle safety, and in supporting many types of charity events.

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Lobbyist's Report

by James Lombardo, Lobbyist

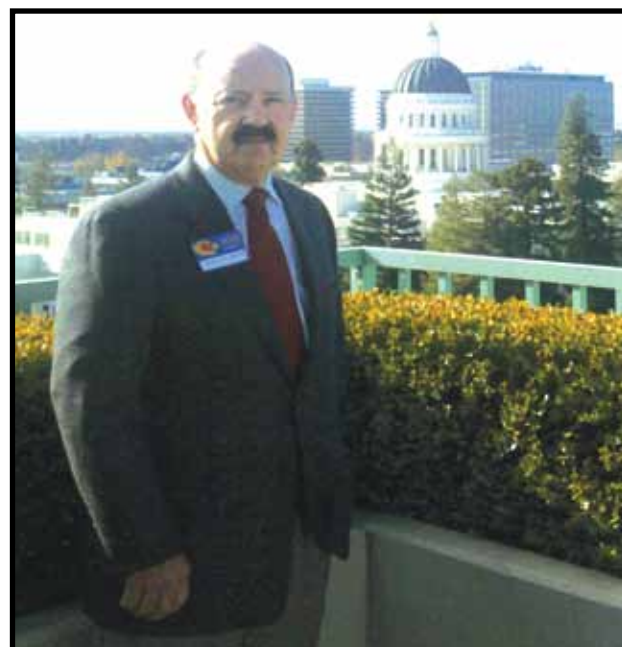
The February 27th deadline for bill introductions will have passed by the time you read this. However, the deadline for my *Bailing Wire* article is the 15th of the month for all of us newsletter contributors. I have reviewed all of the legislation already introduced and will finish after February 27th (another estimated 2000+ bills will be introduced) and forward the ones affecting *US as Motorcyclists* to our Legislative Director, Chuck Pedersen, as I have always done. He will forward them to the Legislative/PAC committee for review and positions to be taken.

That being said, we have a lot on our plate already this year. A lane sharing bill, AB 51, by Assemblyman Bill Quirk (D-Hayward) and co-authored by Assemblyman Tom Lackey (R-Palmdale), a former CHP officer, will codify the CHP's recommendations for lane sharing. The current version provides that a rider could only share lanes if the speed of traffic is 30 miles per hour or less, and the motorcycle is ridden no faster than 10 mph more than the traffic speed.

Our position, currently, is neutral unless the 30 mph provision is removed. The bill will probably be amended several more times. I am closely monitoring its every change to see if we need to modify our position to oppose it, if directed to do so by the Legislative/PAC committee.

A motorcyclist anti-profiling bill, AB 334, by Assemblyman Ken Cooley (D-Rancho Cordova), has been introduced, (Co-authors: Assembly Members Achadjian, Chavez, Gallagher, Gray, Olsen, Perea, and Wagner) and now our Legislative/PAC Committee can take a position after we review the introduced language of the bill.

A mandatory helmet law bill, SB 192, for adult bicycle riders has been introduced by Senator Carol Liu (D-Glendale) that has many of our fellow non-



motorized two-wheeled friends more than a little upset. I am monitoring this very closely, as well.

Lastly, I want to apologize to our fellow rider rights organization, the American Motorcyclist Association, for stating they were in support of the lane sharing bill (AB 51), discussed above.

I was told by Assemblyman Quirk's staff, and others, that the AMA was in support of the legislation, and they were the reasons for my comment. I spent from January 3rd to the 14th in and out of a medical center with my dying mother, and wrote my article from her hospital room. I did not have the opportunity to call Nick Harris, of the AMA, to confirm their position. My sincere apologies to all!

Texas has introduced two bills HB 813 and SB 442 regarding Lane splitting, (and per an article from Pickerington, Ohio; the American Motorcyclist Association is supporting "responsible lane splitting legislation in Texas").

Thanks, as always, to all of you who send contributions to the separate Lobbyist account to keep me here, representing you at the Capitol!

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**by Dave Hastings, Treasurer**

Along with the warmer riding weather we are also entering into a hot legislative season. ABATE is going to be monitoring and actively involved in several pieces of motorcycle legislation as they try to make their way through the various committees of both houses to our governor's desk for his signature. Stay actively involved in the process with us and help us protect your motorcycle rights and freedom in California. ABATE of California's strength is derived from its collective members and their dedication to our cause and we have been, and will continue to be, the organization that helps sculpt motorcycle free-

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dom in California.

We have already contributed PAC funds to several motorcycle friendly legislators in 2015 and we will make more contributions later in the year. Please attend our PAC meetings and become involved in the recommendation and selection process we use for these donations. Also make an effort to meet with and personally evaluate your elected officials. We need first hand knowledge and confirmation of their dedication to our cause to get the most out of our PAC contributions.

Our Lobbyist, Jim Lombardo, is always seeking updated information from our members regarding their elected officials and happenings in their area. Attend those functions, establish a working relationship with your elected officials at every level of local government, and communicate with our PAC regarding those officials. Your input and first hand information is invaluable to our decision making process and makes the PAC much more responsive and responsible when it comes to selecting and endorsing a candidate for office or approving a PAC donation.

Our ABATE PAC belongs to our members, so become involved in our California legislative process and help make a difference in your state. We are a "grass roots" organization and depend on up-to-the-minute factual and accurate first hand information from our members to help us decide the issues we will support or oppose. Give us some of your time and help us keep tabs on our elected officials. We will all benefit.

"THANKS TO ALL THAT DO, AND TO THOSE THAT DON'T, PLEASE TRY TO!"

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LOCAL NEWS

Local #01 Los Angeles



Hi all! Yes Local 1 is doing ok. We had our monthly ABATE Local 1 meeting at our world famous location, The Elks Lodge at 10137 Commerce Ave in Tujunga. After the Pledge of Allegiance I gave the PAC report. The folks that showed up were informed of the following: Political bills AB51 (the lane sharing bill) and AB 334 (the anti -profiling bill). I also mentioned on the federal level HR 1861 sponsored by WI Congressman Sensenbrenner. This bill is going to end motorcycle only check points on the national level.

The next order of discussion was our final group preparations for the Polar Bear run that is happening February 22nd. The attendees at the meeting brought raffle prizes so I think we should have enough for the run. I hope we will have a good turnout.

Glen Cheslock, our membership chair, said he sent our renewals notices and they have been trickling in. Jim Nickla and Ralph and Mickey Walker renewed today, February 15th.

Jim Nickla, our vice president, has been working on getting Local 1 t-shirts and he has put out the expenses to cover them for now so the initial sales will reimburse his costs.

There was no run report or publicity report. I gave the treasury report - we have money in the account. We paid the lobbyists fund contribution and have paid our contribution for the D&O insurance.

Meeting was adjourned and we ate a good breakfast. Regards, Sporty Milligan, ABATE Local 1 president

Local #02 Simi Valley



It was another great night for our Local 2! As I walked into the BBQ zone, the sweet smell of freshly cooked meat filled the air! A double thanks to our volunteer cooks, Ken and Frank! For \$5.00 you had a great choice of burgers, big hot dogs and hot links! We also had a plethora of fixin's that was mind blowing! We even had fresh guacamole and fruit as well! If you weren't there, you missed a great dinner!

We here at Local 2 start serving at 6:45 pm until 7:30, then its meeting time. As always, the VFW has a great bar for all types of drinks at really good prices - goes great with our BBQ! Local 2 meets on the second Tuesday of the month at VFW Post 10049, 4242 East Los Angeles Street here in beautiful Simi Valley. The camaraderie is great, and we miss all those who couldn't make it to our meeting. Another great shout out to the VFW for allowing us to use their facility. It's a very well kept and clean operation they share with us.

Our meeting started at 7:30 with our president, Guy, leading the Pledge of Allegiance. He talked about many things. Our VP was absent and Jane our

secretary read the minutes from the last meeting. Pat, our treasurer, gave us our financial report and Norm, the PR man, said again, read the Bailing Wire on line! Frank, our membership man, gave us his report and Bob, our Ride coordinator, talked about the survey he did for us. He also talked about setting up Local 2 to support Local 1's Polar Bear run.

It was only the second meeting of the year and I wanna thank all our officers for doing their job a 100%. They meet on the first Tuesday of the month to prepare for all our meetings, and are doing whatever it takes during the month. It's hard work and dedication that keeps us going, and the greatest thing about this is that it's all volunteered! Yes, that's right; we are ALL volunteers when you think about it. We are a part of the big picture for ABATE!

This evening went by very fast and was fun. We had a lot of gifts of opportunity as well as just hanging out with friends. Just remember this, we meet only 11 times a year and have 1 party, so join us as we strive for freedom!

Ride safer all the time. PTL norm e.

Local #08 Orange County



Just before our February meeting our new President called a meeting of our newly elected officers. These officers are: President - Steve Howe; Vice-President - Daniel Pfaffly; Secretary - Linda Kelly; Treasurer - Ryan Vincent; Merchandise - Brian Powell; Run Captain - Jered Yates; Membership - Larry Pfaffly; PAC - Dave Seiler; Sgt. At Arms - Daniel Pfaffly; Public Relations - Larry Pfaffly; Safety - Jered Yates; and Insurance - Ryan Vincent. Steve called this meeting so that all the officers could review their duties as defined in our By-Laws. Steve seems to be working hard to make this year a success for Local 8.

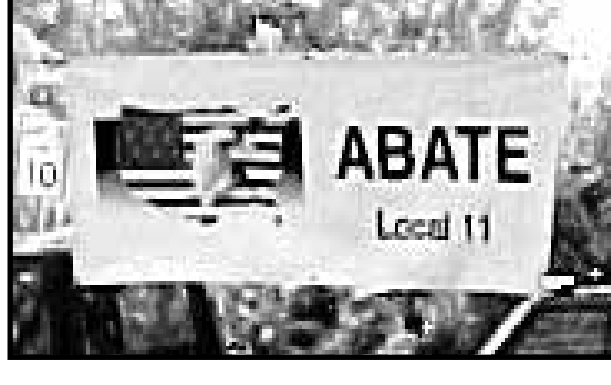
We decided to have a booth at the Long Beach Swap Meet on July 24th, as a Local 8 fund raiser. We could use your help gathering motorcycle stuff to sell at the swap meet. Please contact us if you have things we could include.

We are doing well this year getting new members and retaining existing members. We have set a goal of 20 new members this year. If you know of a potential member, sign them up or contact us so we can.

Because of the timing of the Southern Regional Rally and the State Run, we will have no meetings in May or in September. Daniel Pfaffly won the Membership drawing.

Larry

Local #11 North San Diego County



Hi all from Local 11! Another beautiful day here in North San Diego County. We had a good turnout this past meeting. We welcomed a couple of new members, AJ from Red Beard Leathers and Lee from the

Escondido Moose Lodge 1874. Both of these gentlemen will be instrumental in a couple of events we will be partaking in. More on that later.

Prez Dan asked Lee to lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance. Good job Lee. Dan also mentioned the local political meetings that are coming up for the Republicans and Democrats.

VP/COC report from Dick ran down the upcoming events of which there is no shortage in So Cal. Dick also was able to lock down a date for the Local 11 fundraiser that did not conflict with the COC or Moose Lodge calendar. Tentative date is May 17th. Lee, from the Lodge, will work it on his end and VP Dick on our end.

The other event coming up is the South O' Car and Bike show. This event is held at the South Oceanside Elementary school in Oceanside on March 21st. This event is huge. I went last year for the first time and was blown away by the amount of cars and bikes. New member AJ is part of the organization that puts this show on and has offered us a space gratis. I can't wait. I am working that one! If you are anywhere near Oceanside on that day swing by and see us and the show.

Tim Clark gave us the treasurer's report. We also voted on how some of our funds are to be distributed this quarter.

Dogman gave us a rundown on the Board of Directors issues: Upcoming unification meeting at NCOM and who will be attending. Also discussed the lane sharing bill.

We also had Bill Kennedy come out to the meeting. Great to have him with us! We also welcomed Susan Haley, a member from another Local.

Dave, Regional Rep, gave us some information on some Lodge activities.

That's it for this month. I am sure there is more. I got a little sloppy with my notes, hard to read. Ha!

See ya next month. Gary

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



Spring is just around the corner and the mild sunny days are perfect for riding! ABATE Local 17 has a lot going on. The 27th Annual Freeze Your Ass Off Run dedicated to Tom Watson is coming up March 7th; Spring Bingo on April 25th; and the Hot Rods & Harleys on June 6th. Many of us are also planning to attend Rough Riders Gateway Chapter 8th Annual Pop's Spring Freedom Ride on March 21st. It was decided to postpone our Poker Tournament to possibly October, so stay tuned for more information on that.

Our membership continues to grow and we are getting some good advance publicity on our activities and what ABATE is all about. We continue to monitor what is happening with the lane splitting issue, and any other issues relating to motorcycles and motorcyclists rights. It seems to be a long, frustrating process at times - the wheels of government seem to grind slowly!

Please make sure to check your bike over, especially if it's been sitting for a while. You should be checking tire pressure and doing a pre-ride inspection before any ride, but it's even more important to make sure everything on your bike is in good shape after not riding for a while.

LOCAL NEWS

ing it during the colder and wet weather.

Something to think about when participating in the many runs and activities that are coming up: Always be aware of the riders around you. Always be aware of your own ability to control your bike. Many of the stops are at bars, and it's not unusual to grab a quick beer or shot while you are there. Some riders are injured or killed by drunk drivers driving cages, and it makes us angry. But there are also some riders injured or killed by other riders who have been drinking.

Every time a rider goes down, it only strengthens some people's ideas that we need to be controlled, legislated, and regulated. Ride responsibly, ride safely, [ride sober] and if you're not comfortable riding with someone who has had too much to drink on a run, back off and allow enough room to avoid disaster if something happens.

Ride Safe, Ride FREE! Shauna

Local #20 Orange County



Welcome new members Doug "Scooter" Wilson and Dan "Boomer" Humber! With these 2 we had a total of 34 members and 5 guests at our meeting.

Remember when Spike had his accident; well he now has a new bike and the license plate hasn't yet arrived. He and Chaos were riding to a celebration when they were stopped, detained, handcuffed, put into an unmarked SUV and questioned by at least six cars from LA County Sheriffs and CHP just to check the paperwork, which was all in order. They kept asking about others they know that are in bike clubs and were

told to sign a gang card which of course they refused to do. After an hour or so of this, Spike was getting mad and he told one of the officers that he knows a CHP officer and gave his name, it was only then that the cop stopped his rude, demeaning manner and finally let them go but not without giving Spike a ticket. We really need to get an Anti-profiling bill passed soon.

James Brand's name was pulled for the dollar draw but wasn't at the meeting so we have \$34.00 for next month's draw. The politically incorrect Gill. ~Leenie~

Local #23 San Bernardino



With our new Board in place, we have some exciting new plans for 2015. We are all looking forward to once again becoming a riding group after each meeting. We feel that this will help us attract new guests, which leads to new members. The issue of "How do we get new members and retain old members?" should be a priority topic for each Local.

We are also changing the location of our Monthly Bike Nights. Our current location will be closing due to freeway off ramp/bridge remodeling soon. Our new location will be Tam's Restaurant at 180 E. Baseline Ave, just East of Riverside Ave, in Rialto, from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. This new location has more traffic and is very visible from the street. We are also considering teaming up with a local car club to attract more participation for the Bike Nights. Beginning April 10th, the Bike Nites will be on the 2nd Friday of each month.

We will be having our traditional Chili Cook-off on May 16th. This has always been a fun event. Ribbons are given for 1st and 2nd place. We also have a Salsa contest and a Dessert contest. So come on out and put your chili where your mouth is!! Tammy

Local #25 Sacramento



Lil' David called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. We had 11 members present.

Lil' David informed us that State ABATE has authorized each Local to give out 10 free associate memberships; 19 were given out at the Unification Rally. Lil' David will reach out to these new members and make sure they know when and where we meet. These are not full members, they can't vote in most elections. They can upgrade to full members anytime.

David Battles will be at the Easy Rider show at 5:00 on Friday to set up our booth. During the meeting we signed up volunteers to work the booth. Ron reported that he has knives that he will sell at the show.

Gary H gave the PAC report. He said that ABATE will remain neutral on the lane sharing bill, AB 51, by Assemblyman Bill Quirk (D-Hayward) if the bill is not amended. Other MROs have stated they will work to kill the bill. At a recent NCOM meeting they said they expected the bill to be killed. Gary also announced that the anti-profiling bill, AB 334, by Assemblyman Ken Cooley (D-Rancho Cordova) will be a bipartisan bill. Assemblyman Mike Gatto (D-Glendale) is asking for our support of AB 8 having to do with hit and run offenses. There was a general discussion about supporting a non-motorcycle specific bill. Our officers did not make it to the State Board of Directors meeting so we didn't get a report.

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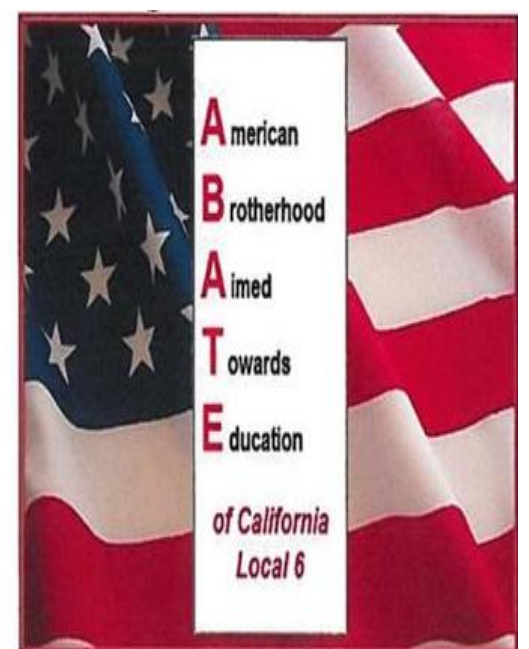
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Motorcycle Safety Report

by Norm e. Newiger,
Safety Officer

Before Day One

Yes motorcycle safety has been around a long, long time, even before day one of the invention and production of motorcycles. It's true! I found out by watching an old, old, very old cowboy movie! It was so old black and white TV's were an amazing discovery! So I had to do extra research to back up John Wayne and Roy Rogers and all those before them into the, shall we say 1870's.

Pain has no prejudice on what you ride whether it is a horse, bicycle or motorcycle. When you hit the ground something is going to break or road rash and or bruising. Forget humility and foolishness, we've been doing that since day 37! I'm taking you back to the 1 horsepower days versus today's mega horse powered days, about the evolution of riding safety.

Yes riding safety has been around from about the time we figured out we can ride horses, you know, around when Larry King was born I guess. Back in them days when you rode and fell, you got up and rode again. It might have been a manly thing or pride, but nowadays when you ride, when you go down, you could be down for the count, recovery time is weeks or months or longer, speed is the main factor here, when riding a horse the top galloping speed might be 25 – 30 mph, versus for us nowadays is 25 – 120 mph!

They have modernized horse riding gear thru the ages for the horse and rider; we were thinking safety and comfort way back then. On parallel thinking, we were trained to ride horses by controlling the horse, i.e. steering, stopping, cruising to galloping, dodging trees and rocks, bushes, holes and whatever. We loved to go all out when we could. Competition riding and racing is as old as the dirt and it's something we love to do!

We've learned basically the same thing with motorcycles, we just do it faster! We would inspect our horses for our safety, prior to riding, you know checking the hoofs and shoes, cleaning and prepping each shoe/hoof, i.e. inspecting your tires, spokes and tire pressure, to include brakes and all cables. Then we would inspect the legs and joints and look for wear and tear or swelling and anything that looks like it needs attention, i.e. going thru yer bike tightening any loose bolts or adjusting cables, maybe testing your shocks and forks for functionality, and most importantly your electrical system to include your lighting. We inspected our horses while we cleaned and groomed them, then we would put on the riding equipment from the bit to the saddle, we made sure everything was right, i.e. we cleaned our bike and went thru it even more as we were preparing for a road trip, all the preventative measures we could think of. Remember this is done for our safety!



Horses were, and still are, very tough and hard working, they are practically maintenance free and very enduring, i.e. the motorcycles today are stronger (torque and horse power) and engineered to the point of lasting forever. If we keep up the proper maintenance regularly, they will last a long, long time, i.e. just like horses! Basically back in the day, if your horse, shall we say breaks a leg, while galloping in the middle of nowhere (and I say that without having a cell phone or roadside emergency phones) you're screwed! If you were tossed when this happened you could become buzzard food as well as your horse.

Now if you were riding your bike in the high desert (all by yourself) and let's say you blew your rear tire and you went off the road into a gully and wrestled your bike before getting tossed into a rock bed, you painfully get your cell phone out while lying on your side and call for help. But you don't know where you're at exactly because you didn't tell anybody. Lesson one on safety: Let someone know of your riding route if you're riding solo, period! I kind of remembered this back when my mom always charted out her flight plan (she was a pilot of small planes) and showed us her route. It was mandatory, but I never thought about the safety aspect of it. Back in the day if some one was missing you'd look for buzzards in the sky. You don't have to be dead for them to be curious, and you are potentially their next meal! We have signs everywhere, even in the middle of nowhere. While riding you see mile markers and many other signs that indicate where you are, making a mental note of this as you ride or drive could save your life.

Now back in the horse days you pretty much had private instruction from your family and/or friends and interaction between fellow riders, and the rich had riding academies! We still do this and will continue for generations to come, we have private instructors and motorcycle safety courses from beginner to experienced riders everywhere. This is

a great thing, it's not about how many miles you put on that makes you a really good rider, it's about everything you do as a rider that makes you a really good rider! Practicing good riding habits takes time and every time you ride you can be challenged of the un-suspecting circumstances that you can handle or learn from it. Handling it means you chalk it up to experience and learning from it means you maybe crashed and got hurt and then chalked it up to experience (that's me), but you got back on that bike again.

We have had safety gear ever since we knew how to make and process cow skin for our protection. The cowboys used leather boots, chaps and gloves, although I wouldn't say their hats were a safety thing in those days, they did deflect bugs and shade your eyes. We still use the cow and because of modern technology we have synthetics for protection; we just replaced the cowboy hat with a helmet. If you look at the modern day horse riders you'll see more emphasis on rider safety as well as better protective clothing and gear. They have had their evolution as well. We have progressed as well, and because of speed and popularity our safety gear is really high tech. We have so many choices of protection we could look space aged (full body armor) or old school and just wear jeans, boots and opened fingered gloves!

All in all, having the best safety gear you can get doesn't do you any good if you don't have good riding skills. Safety gear might lessen injuries but they will not prevent you from being involved in an accident of any sorts. Do not let your ego make you think you're safe and impervious to accidents because that's when you'll get into trouble. Motorcycle safety should always be at the top of your list when planning a ride or just doing simple errands on a motorcycle.

I've always said, "It happens that fast!" It's not about who is wrong or right in an accident, it's about accident prevention. Know your surroundings when you ride. A person can loose control of a vehicle way ahead of you and cause a chain reaction that leads to you and then it's up to you and how you react. In today's driving scene everybody tailgates and that's why you always see multiple car accidents on all our roads. You have to rely on yourself and what you've learned and be prepared at all times. Remember there are a lot of new drivers and riders out there on the road that have very little experience and minimal insurance. You can't trust them on their safety education, you just don't know.

I always recommend taking motorcycle safety courses. Also get into discussions with other motorcyclists and talk about safety. You'll be surprised at the information you get! It seems to me that it doesn't matter how old you are or how experienced you are, accidents do happen, even to the best of us. Stupidity or lack of many things does happen and it's up to you on how you react!

As this New Year starts for us, please refresh your mind on safety as well as getting your bike ready and don't become a negative statistic! Always ride safer than last time and talk safety with the people you ride with. Riding is a great way of life!




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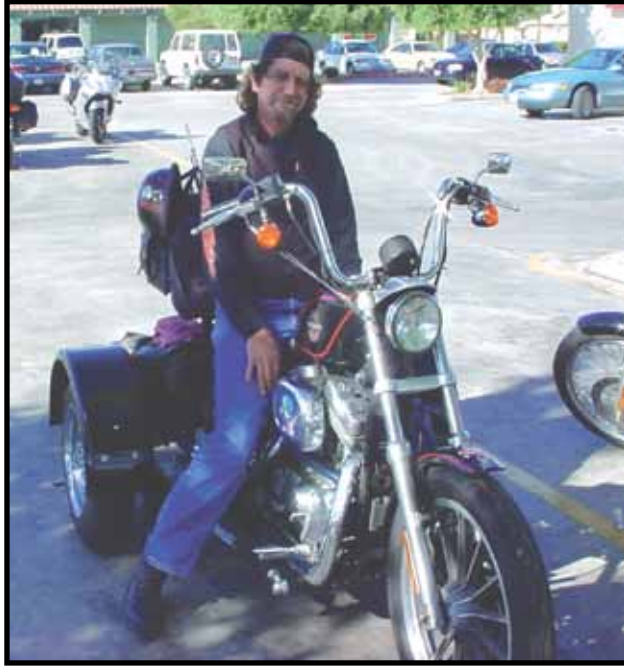
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Sporty's Rides

by Lee "Sporty" Milligan

Greetings all in ABATE land! As usual I have to start the column with the medical report. I related that I was trying to get my stamina back. To accomplish this feat I started to do my physical therapy that was prescribed by the Kaiser physical therapy instructor. I also was going on my own to Veterans Park in Sylmar to do walking on grassy slopes. There was a little set back on my left foot; it appears that I have strained my tendons a bit around the ankle. This has caused me to lighten up on my walking for exercise. This is not to say I don't walk or drive, just I am not quite work ready yet. I also have to get a new check socket for my prosthetic because the first permanent check socket is too loose. But like everything else it is a process to get another one made. My stump is changing and getting smaller so getting a smaller check socket will allow me to perform certain work efforts better. Well it might be April before I attempt to go back to work.

I have to mention I have been driving and I finally got "the little truck that could" handicapped so I can now drive it with a stick shift. Junior from DSI, the place were I was to originally get the work done but they were so busy that it would take another two months to get it fixed, said that we could arrange for me to have him come to my house and do the work in my driveway. So one Saturday at 8:50 am he showed up and by 9 am went to work on the truck. The job was completed by 2:30 pm. He gave me a driving lesson. He told me that he would not let me drive the truck unless I could prove to him that I could actually drive the truck with the new handicap equipment attached to the steering wheel and gas and brake peddles. So off we went around the neighborhood and to the gas station to get gas. After about 45 min-



utes the practice session was completed and he felt I could handle the truck safely.

By the way, he is also going to make something for my 1200 Sporty that attaches to the brake sort of like another kick stand to stabilize it better when I stop and park the bike.

Well you're probably wondering about the bike – am I riding it? Yes I am riding two wheels again. You see one day I was in the living room and told my wife I was going to ride. That's when she exclaimed, "Not in shorts you're not!" So I said ok and was determined to ride so I got my long pants on, got the bike out and took a brief ride around the neighborhood. I have been riding for a couple of weeks now.

Our Polar Bear run was February 22nd so I was going to different locations to get raffle prizes and to pass out flyers. Went to the Rock Store, Cycle Gear in Canoga Park, Casey's M/C in Pacoima, Target, Old

Road Harley Davidson, and Glendale Harley Davidson.

On Friday, February 13th, I went to the bike and car display at Bob's Big Boy in Toluca Lake. At Bob's I ran into several folks I knew that had not seen me in a while so I got the "Hi Hoppy! How's it going?" cracks. My snappy retort back to them was, "I got one leg up on the competition!"

I have also been spreading the news about AB51, the lane sharing bill, and AB334, the anti-profiling bill and HR 1861, the end to motorcycle only checkpoint funding. As you can see I am sort of in the swing of things. I encourage all of you, when the call comes, to write letters, send faxes, send emails, or make calls to our state legislatures and your congressman and senators when it is time to act on the current legislation to move it along.

One final note: All this could not happen without the support of my best one, Renee, who I took out to Denny's on Valentines Day. She had steak and lobster on my dime. You all might not get to see her much but she is my rock and is probably the only one who could put up with me for as long as she has.

Well as I am drawing this Sporty's Rides segment to a close, I will remind you to enjoy the nice California weather. I also hope I saw some of my ABATE members at Local 1's 28th annual Polar Bear run. Please try to attend ABATE functions and till next time, be safe. Regards, Sporty Milligan, Your Faithful Scribe.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

by Lee "Sporty" Milligan, Membership Chairman

Greetings! A while ago I asked current ABATE Local 1 member Mr. Peter Daniels if he thought doing the membership drive was a good idea. His reply was, "By all means continue with a membership drive." I have asked for help coming up with different ideas for a drive, but apparently that request has fallen on deaf ears or everyone thinks its just fine the way it is! So with that said we are going to do the membership drive the same way as we have been doing it in the past - the same format will be observed.

Hopefully some of your members have been signing up new members since January 1st. The membership drive goes from January 1st to December 31st.

Very shortly your Local presidents will be getting the allotments of Membership Funding Special Raffle tickets. These will again cost the easy price of only \$1 per ticket. My goal is to sell enough tickets to fund the drive completely. Yes, in the past we have been able to pay for printing of the tickets, the \$250 winner of the raffle drawing that is drawn at the July Board of Directors meeting and the \$300 1st, \$200 2nd & \$100 3rd place winners who get the most members.

Ok again a reminder to do your best to keep your renewals. Reward them with trinkets, when they renew. You could give them a couple of ticket chances for the \$250 membership raffle. Be creative with your rewards for their renewing.

Be a salesman for ABATE when you recruit new members. Remind them if they can't join right away, they can be an associate member for free for one year. (Each Local has an option to give at least 10 associate memberships per Local. They do not count for the membership drive.) Remind prospective members that we need their support for the issues we face in Sacramento like AB 51, lane sharing and AB 334, the motorcyclist's anti-profiling bill. Just do your best to help get members.

We all have a stake in this, as motorcyclists in California, to help prevent tooth decay (bad laws against motorcyclists) from happening in California and to help promote responsible motorcycle legislation.

Questions can be addressed to me regarding anything membership-wise at my e mail: sportymilligan@yahoo.com

Regards, Sporty Milligan, ABATE Membership Chairman

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ANTI-PROFILING BILL INTRODUCED IN CALIFORNIA: Legislation aimed to curb anti-biker profiling has been introduced in California. Citing anecdotal evidence that Golden State motorcyclists tend to get pulled over unjustly, Assemblyman Ken Cooley (D-Rancho Cordova) authored a bi-partisan bill that would have police officers undergo training emphasizing that profiling of motorcycle riders is prohibited.

The measure seeks "to ensure that anyone entering law enforcement in California knows the ground rules to apply the law fairly without regard for irrelevant factors of, 'I'm on a bike' or they're dressed a certain way," Cooley said, adding that "it is an important issue of people being secure in their persons and the administration of traffic laws."

Assembly Bill 334 would add Section 13519.17 to the Penal Code, relating to the profiling of motorcycle riders: "This bill would require the Commission on Peace Officer Standards And Training to ensure that the profiling of motorcycle riders is addressed in the course of basic law enforcement training and offered to law enforcement officers in conjunction with existing training regarding profiling," according to the Legislative Counsel's Digest.

Assembly Bill 334 would also require law enforcement agencies to create policies barring discrimination against riders.

NEW MEXICO HELMET LAW OPPOSED: Despite the fact that helmet legislation has only recently been introduced in New Mexico, and not passed as yet by the state legislature nor signed into law, "I have received two complaints that in the last few days riders have been pulled over for no helmet use by city police in Albuquerque and have been given a verbal warning," reports Annette Torrez, chairperson for the New Mexico Motorcycle Rights Organization (NMMRO) and member of the National Coalition of Motorcyclists (NCOM) Board of Directors.

"There is NO Mandatory helmet law in NM for any one over age 18, you can not be pulled over for the sole reason you are not wearing a helmet. This is profiling of motorcyclists," added Torrez, who further suggests that; "The only way to address this is, if you get pulled over please get the officer's name, badge number and car number and notify NMMRO (www.thenmmro.org)."

In the meantime, the national office of the U.S. Defenders (www.usdefender.net) has issued a nationwide CALL TO ACTION to oppose the two current helmet bills which were introduced into the 2015 legislature; Senate Bill 327 requiring the use of helmets for all motorcycle operator and passengers, and Senate Bill 308 creating a distinctive motorcycle validation sticker (\$692) allowing qualified operators and passengers to refrain from wearing a safety helmet.

"We must unite and fight this or by this summer it could be mandatory for every biker to wear a helmet in New Mexico," according to the US Defenders' CTA, which goes on to state; "We were told that the Centers for Disease Control are following this bill in New Mexico as a pilot program, if it passes, for other states in the future."

TEXAS LEGISLATION WOULD ALLOW RIDERS TO LANE SPLIT IF HELMETED: One of the latest proposals by some Texas lawmakers to help al-



leviate traffic congestion is to legalize lane splitting. Lane splitting (or lane sharing, or "filtering") allows motorcyclists to pass vehicles by riding in-between lanes of traffic.

State Senator Kirk Watson and State Representative Sergio Muñoz Jr. have both filed bills to legalize the practice.

According to House Bill 813, introduced by Rep. Muñoz (D-Palmview), motorcycle riders would be allowed to ride between lanes of traffic moving in the same direction, if traffic is traveling 20 mph or slower, and if the motorcyclist is not traveling more than 5 mph faster than other traffic. Lane splitting would be prohibited in school zones and in areas where the posted speed limit is 20 mph or less. However, HB 813 would also require that riders and passengers must wear helmets.

Senate Bill 442, introduced by Sen. Watson (D-Austin), does not include the helmet provision, but lane splitting would be restricted to controlled-access highways.

"Filtering" is common in Europe and Asia to alleviate congestion in urban areas, but in the U.S., only California allows the maneuver.

ILLINOIS MEASURE WOULD ADD MOTORCYCLE SAFETY TO DRIVER'S ED: An Illinois lawmaker wants driver education teachers to warn beginner motorists to be on the lookout for motorcycles by incorporating motorcycle safety as a formal part of driver's education courses.

The proposal, introduced February 17, 2015 by Representative Tom Bennett (R-Gibson City), would amend the driver's education act in the Illinois School Code to require that all behind the wheel instruction include lessons on motorcycle safety and awareness "to ensure students understand their surroundings when operating a motor vehicle."

Rep. Bennett says the concern was raised by constituents in his central Illinois district. Bennett says he purposely kept the language in the proposal general to give schools flexibility.

INDIANA SCOOTER RIDERS FACE NEW REGULATIONS: Indiana officials are warning motor scooter drivers that starting January 1 they'll need license plates on those bikes. Legislators have approved Indiana's first license requirements for scooters, and under the new law drivers of scooters with engines of 50 cubic centimeters or less will need to buy license plates and pass a Bureau of Motor Vehicles test involving road signals and signs. Operators of scooters with larger engines will be required to follow motorcycle requirements, including holding a valid motorcycle license or learner's permit.

Evansville police officials told a legislative committee that scooters had often been involved in accidents and used in crimes such as robberies, but that the owners couldn't be found because they lacked any registration.

The new law doesn't require insurance for drivers of the smaller scooters, and the registration will cost \$26.35, plus a \$10 excise tax.

Law sponsor Representative Dave Wolkins (R-Winona Lake) said not requiring a driver's license for scooter operators was important because he felt it was necessary that those with drunken driving convictions still have a way to get to work.

ARIZONA MAY DUMP HANDLE BAR HEIGHT LAW: Arizona has a bill running to eliminate their handle bar height law completely, and motorcycle organizations are asking riders from neighboring states and those who visit the Grand Canyon State to contact Arizona legislators to support House Bill 2345, which recently breezed through the House rules committee.

Introduced by Reps Karen Fann (R-Prescott) and Chad Campbell (D-Phoenix), HB-2345 would amend ARS 28-964 to remove the restriction which specifies that a person cannot operate a motorcycle, all-terrain vehicle or motor driven cycle equipped with handlebars positioned so the operator's hands are above their shoulders when the operator is sitting and their hands are on the handlebar grips. The bi-partisan measure would also eliminate the requirement for motorcycles to be equipped with handrails for passengers.

In addition, Arizona bikers are fighting a similar "pay-to-play" bill as in New Mexico, as House Bill 2607 seeks to require use of a helmet for all motorcyclists unless the rider pays a fee for exemption (amount to be determined), or face a \$500 fine for non-compliance.

U.S. MOTORCYCLE SALES CONTINUE UPWARD TREND: The Motorcycle Industry Council (MIC) reports motorcycle sales increased 3.8% for 2014. A total of 483,526 motorcycles were sold during the calendar year, an increase of 17,743 units over 2013. Off-Highway motorcycles registered the highest percentage year-over-year growth at 10.9%, with the On-Highway and Dual segments tallying 3.0 and 3.6% respectively. Scooter sales were the only two-wheeled segment to decline last year, down 3.5%. Meanwhile, ATV sales showed a steady 0.5% rate of growth.

The 2014 motorcycle sales total marks the fourth consecutive year of modest growth since the market bottomed out in 2010 at 439,678 units sold. Annual motorcycles sales have since increased by 440,899 (2011), 452,386 (2012) and 465,783 (2013) to its current 483,526 total. This gradual recovery follows the dramatic decline of the motorcycle market during the recession, when annual motorcycle sales plummeted from 879,910 in 2008 to 520,502 in 2009.

LANE "FILTERING" RIDES INTO AUSTRALIA: New rules have come into effect for motorcycle riders in Queensland, Australia as of 1 February 2015, including safe lane filtering. "Lane filtering can be a complex manoeuvre requiring plenty of on-road experience to be done safely, so only fully licensed riders are allowed to lane filter," Department of Transport and Main Roads (DTMR) says on its website, noting heavy penalties for riders who don't follow the rules.

DTMR said motorcycle riders who hold an open licence for riding a motorcycle may lane filter at speeds not greater than 30km/h between stationary or slow-moving vehicles travelling in the same direction as them, provided it is safe to do so.

New rules also allow riders to ride on road shoulders and in emergency stopping lanes.

QUOTABLE QUOTE: "Helping each other out - that's America." ~ former Navy SEAL Chris Kyle (1974-2013), author of "American Sniper"

Events for 2015

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March 21 – ABATE Local 6 – Fundraiser for Local 6 (see flyer for details, this issue.)

April 10 – ABATE Local 23 – Monthly Bike Nights start (see flyer for details, this issue.)

April 12 – ABATE Local 27 – 13th Annual Bare Necessities Run (see flyer for details, this issue.)

April 25 – ABATE Local 17 – Annual Spring Run

April 26 – ABATE Local 3/13 – Motorcycle Awareness Run (See flyer for details this issue.)

May 8 – 10 – 21ST Annual SOUTHERN REGIONAL RALLY – Victorville, Sponsored by Victorville Harley-Davidson, and

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September – 11-13 – ABATE State Run, Kernville, Frandy Campground (Details TBA).

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December 6 – ABATE Local 17 – Toy Run (Details TBA.)

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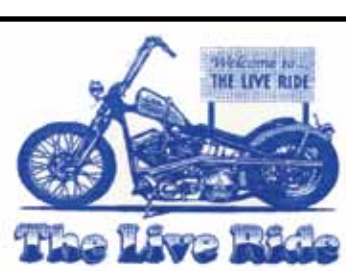
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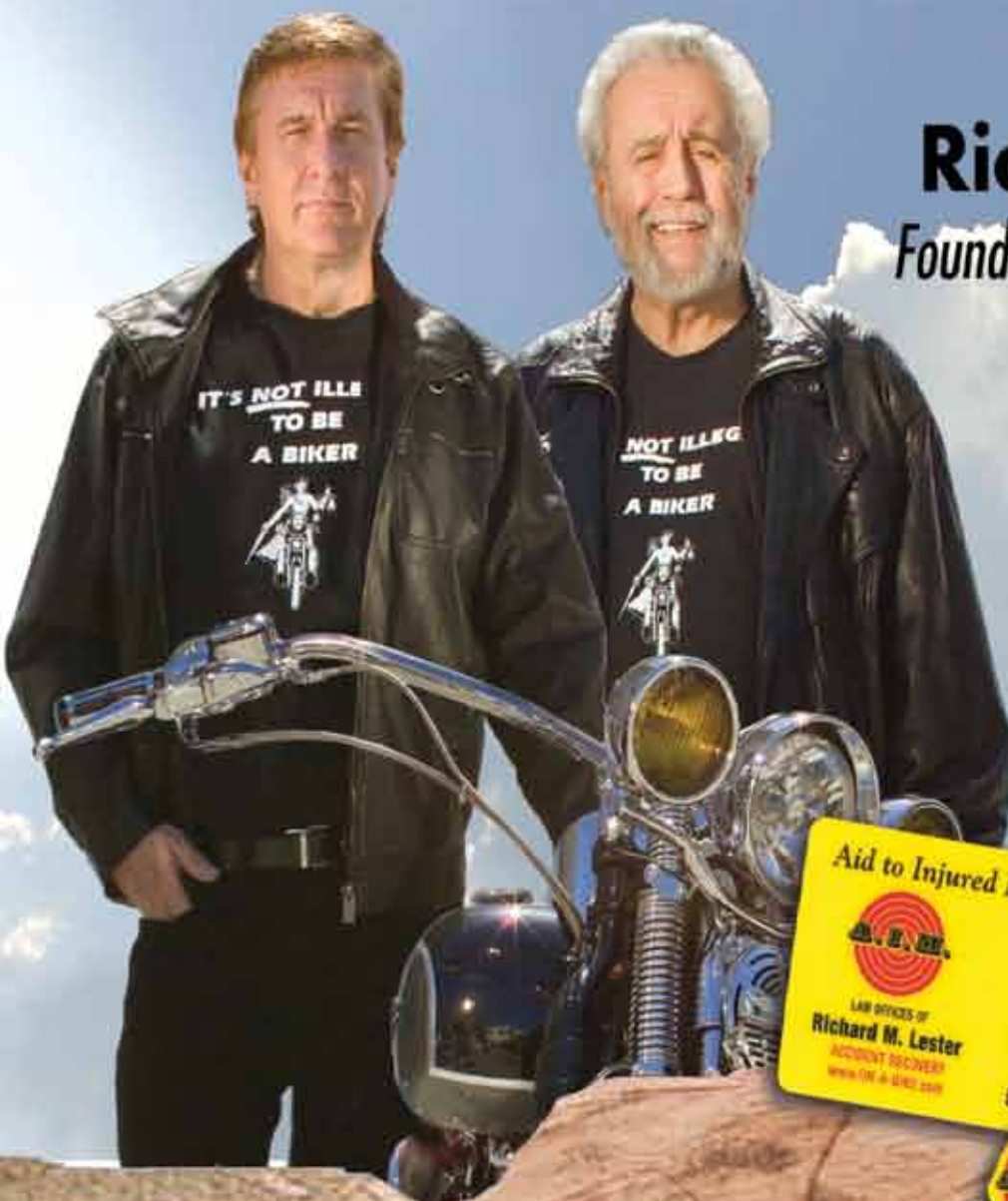
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