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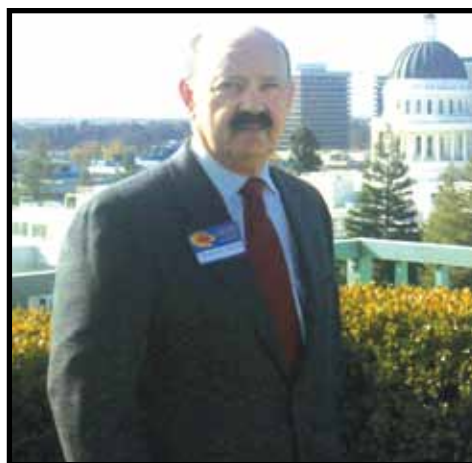
by James Lombardo, Lobbyist

The state Legislature passed its first **REAL** balanced Budget for California in years. It's hard for me to remember the last time this happened! Last year, the phony unbalanced Budget, that Governor Brown rightly vetoed, was only passed so that the Assembly Members and Senators could get paid on time.

For motorcyclists, once again, our special fund called the Motorcyclist Safety Fund was not raided to help finance this year's budget. This is the fund that we pay \$2 into with our annual motorcycle registrations to fund the California Motorcyclist Safety Program (CMSP), and also subsidize the rider training program fees for **NEW** riders under 21 years old.

The CMSP was one of the reasons Governor Deukmejian vetoed Assemblyman Dick Floyd's AB 36, the first helmet bill he got to the Governor's desk in 1988 - **ONE OF OUR GREATEST VICTORIES!**

Deukmejian's veto sent Floyd into a fit of rage and he cussed me out big time, in public, at a popular restaurant with legislators called Brannan's. It was located across the street from the Capitol,



and he went ballistic at noon, the day of the veto, with a full house enjoying their lunch and Floyd's performance - **WHAT A GREAT DAY IT WAS FOR CALIFORNIA RIDERS!**

I know I repeat this every month, but some riders still do not read my column each month. The bill to codify Lane Sharing, SB 350 by Senator Jim Beall, is **STILL** a two-year bill and will not be heard until next year.

I am pressing the Transportation Committees in both houses to pass out either, or both, AB 64 by Assemblyman Donnelly or SB 234 by Senator Mimi Walters to grandfather in aftermarket

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seating for side by side OHVs. These It was co-sponsored by Assemblyman are vehicles that have been modified Brian Jones. Both are on and off-road by their owners so they can have other riders and both also spoke at our May family members ride with them when Motorcycle Awareness and Freedom off-roading. rally on May 6th at the Capitol.

I have spoken with the Governor's I will be attending the next ABATE office and if we are successful in get- Board meeting in Southern California ting these bills to him by July 1st, they on July 20th. It is **ALWAYS** a lot of fun should be signed into law. An outstand- for me to see old friends and to make ing success for advancing **ABATE's** new ones.

first bills to help our new off-road mem- Thanks again to the Locals and many bers! individuals for sending contributions to

Senator Huff was gracious enough the Lobbyist fund. That keeps me in the to sponsor, on ABATE's behalf, Sen- halls of the legislature fighting for our ate Concurrent Resolution 41 declaring **RIDING FREEDOMS!**



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**ABATE of California now has their off road division up and running!
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LOCAL NEWS

Local #01 Los Angeles



Hi all! Sporty here with the Local 1 report. This is an actual report unlike some I have been sending in recently. To get to the meeting I was driven to the meeting by my better half, Renee. Until I have recovered fully she has agreed to be my driver to the meetings. Unfortunately the meeting was kinda small. This must have been due to the fact that it was Father's Day. But nevertheless it was a spirited meeting.

I usually make 25 agendas for the meeting. I will not waste the agendas as I am going to send the rest to some of my select members to keep them informed.

We voted to have me be the PAC vote for our Local. That means when a PAC issue comes up and needs a vote, I will contact members of the Local for opinions and then what we come up with determines how we vote on the issues or money for candidates. I got the job because I am the one who goes everywhere and can make most of the PAC meetings.

Talked about the State run and determined that we will send \$100 to support two plaques and \$50 for a small logo ABATE 1 for the back of the State run tee shirt. I encourage you to do the same.

We concluded the meeting with breakfast offered by the Elks Lodge staff headed by Earl Blanchard. Till next month, support ABATE events. Regards, Sporty.

Local #02 Simi Valley



I got to our meeting early to grab some good food and talk to other members that I haven't seen for two months, thinking that because I got there early there wouldn't be hardly anybody there, wrong! Our volunteer cooks were rockin it because there was quite a few there already, a big thanks to VFW Post 10049 for being a gracious host as usual and for letting us use their facilities! Thank you to our volunteer cook's Frank and Pattibock. We start our evening at 6:45 pm with a great BBQ meal with all the fixin's for \$5.00. We meet on the 2nd Tuesday of the month and our meeting starts at 7:30. We meet at VFW Post 10049, 4242 East Los Angeles Street in Simi Valley.

Pres Ray got us going. After the Pledge of Alliance he talked about AMA and the E-15 fuel issues, VP Scott talked about future runs, Secretary Jane read the minutes, and our Treasurer Stephanie talked about our finances, Safety/ PR Norm talked about making sure you have your affairs in order just in case of an accident or? Ride Guy, Guy talked about our upcoming fun ride this month which he will email us, Membership Coordinator Pat talked about our members and business members. Andi our Merchandize person talked about our new upcoming clothes. Nice!

We had guests from Local 3 come over for our meeting and had a really good discussion about future rides together and a get together at a mutual campsite for some good camaraderie! It was a very positive meeting for both Locals and we talked about adding other Locals in the future.

This was a really good meeting and we missed all who couldn't attend. Riding season is here and we are excited about future runs etc.

I talked earlier about getting your affairs in order wasn't just about a will or planning for the worse, it stems from my accident that I had and being laid up for months. If I didn't have certain resources in order then it could have been a financial nightmare as well as other unforeseen things that I would never have thought about. It's about having family and friends helping/supporting you in an emergency or accident as well. It's a different story when you have to rely on other people for the simplest things, and all I know is accidents happen really fast when

least expected! Be prepared, the best you can, we don't need stress to compound any situation that arises.

Ride safer all the time! PTL norm.

Local #19 Pomona Valley

We are busy with runs and getting ready for the Toy Run. Our Local is trying something different, our own Anjanette Drago-man, aka AJ, is collecting caps from Coke products and getting raffle prizes for the upcoming Toy Run in December. There is a code inside the cap which you can lookup online and see if you have won anything. Speaking of the Toy Run some of our members spent some time putting bicycles together. There are also a couple fund raisers being held on the 12th and 13th of June.

I saw several ABATE members at the Memorial Day run called West Coast Thunder. Among them were Tammy, Ed and Randy from Local 23. I ran into Bob Marshall and his son, Robert, Frank Schafer and a few others from Local 27 Riverside. Kevin and Anjanette Dragoman from Local 19 were doing traffic control. The ride ends at Soboba Casino. At the ABATE Booth I saw the ever present Jack Howell and Greg Covell.

Sunday, June 2, our friends over at ABATE Local 23 San Bernardino had their Burger Burn at the Screamin Chicken Saloon in Devore. After a quick meeting at Vicky's Restaurant, we all headed to the Saloon. A few members from Local 19 showed up and from Local 27 Greg, Jack and Lee Davidson.

Jack seemed to really enjoy the Bikini Bike Wash and that is all I have say on that matter. The Burgers were popular and selling well. I even took a turn at the grill to spell the cook for a bit. It helped that the weather cooled off a bit compared to the 100 degree temps we had that past Saturday.

The first Friday of the month found a few of our members at the bike night put on by Pomona Valley Harley-Davidson in Montclair. It is held from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm and it is usually well attended.

Be sure to check out our Facebook page "Abate of California Local 19". You can usually see flyers for upcoming events and posts from some of our members.

Donald Kline, Run Coordinator

LOCAL NEWS

Local #20 Orange County



32 members and 2 guests attended our meeting June 11th. The chicken dinner was good as usual but some of the members said they would like something different and maybe less expensive so we will be having tacos next week.

We welcomed our newest member, Wayne Elliott, and thanked Valori Zaffino and Darryl Hutchins for renewing their membership.

Our meeting was short because VP Paul led the meeting while Gill was in the hospital recovering from hip surgery. Spike said that he and Gill had a good meeting and enjoyed hanging out with former Assemblyman Jose Solorio, he is biker friendly. Spike also told us that Mr. Solorio will be running for Senate in 2014 and recommended that he gets our vote.

Coming up events were announced and flyers were handed out for the following: 11th Annual Heritage House Run by Bill W's Sober Pack on June 22nd, Crestline Mountain Run by Solders for Jesus on July 27th, Charity Fundraiser for Military Family by Azraels M/C on Aug 24th and 7th Annual Downed Biker Rally by Bikers for Christ on October 5th. Detailed information for all the events are listed on Facebook at ABATE Local 20.

The dollar draw was won tonight Scott Gottesman for a total of \$115.00. ~Leenie~

Local #23 San Bernardino



Well May and June were super busy months; Regional Rally, West Coast Thunder Run, our first Burger Burn/Bikini Bike wash. Thanks go out to Ron and Liz for all their hard work organizing the Regional Rally. A special thanks go out to Kevin, Bea, Russ, and Ray for doing the Burger Burn.

It was good to see several members at the West Coast Thunder run and to see an ABATE Booth out at Sobo. The first Burger Burn/Bikini Bike wash out at the Screaming Chicken was a success also. Thanks to everyone who pitched in and gave a hand.

Local 23 will be flipping burgers at TaTa3 on July 27 in order to raise funds for ABATE. We will be sponsoring the Pie Eating Contest. The next Burger Burn/Bikini Bike Washes will be held on Sunday, July 14, and Sunday, August 11. We hope that everyone can come out and support these fund raising events.

Our regular meetings are held on the first Sunday of each month at Vicky's Restaurant at the corner of Waterman and Mill Street in San Bernardino. Meetings start at 9:00 am, but you can come early and have a nice breakfast.

We are also asking our members to donate some items for our next raffles – the supply is looking pretty sad. We are still collecting pennies, so bring them all in and feel good about helping a worthy cause for children.

Tammy Odell, Membership, Local 23

Local #25 Sacramento



At our meeting on Thursday, May 16, Gary gave us a PAC Report with updates on the lane sharing bill, the parking lot bill and the off-road bills. Lil' David updated us on the Board of Directors meeting and passed out a fact sheet relating to DOT helmet standards.

The Local 25 bake sale was on the third weekend in May at the Circle K on Hemlock. The Circle K is having a Red Cross fundraiser in June and Local 25 has been invited to set up our booth at the event. Ron manned the booth at the Renegade swap meet last month. Till next month, David Smart.



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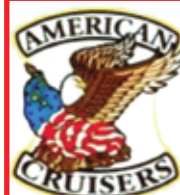
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by Dave Hastings, Treasurer

ABATE PAC members have traditionally signed in at every PAC meeting they attend to keep their "active status" and along with that, their "eligibility" to vote on PAC items. During the last few years ABATE of California has used an on-line format for several of our Board of Director's meetings and we have also had several BOD meetings back to back in Sacramento instead of our usual northern/southern meeting rotation. This has created havoc with our PAC sign in requirement because a lot of our members cannot travel to the opposite end of our state just to attend a one hour PAC meeting. With the rotation schedule we normally use a member can miss one meeting and still be active by attending the following meeting in their own geographic area. With that said we are going to again start enforcing the PAC "miss two in a row" rule and remove you from the active list until you meet the criteria laid out in our PAC rules. Please sign in at every meeting you attend so you can keep your voting eligibility current. Also remember that a lot of our PAC information is only available at the PAC meet-



ing and often times issues are decided by the members in attendance because of the urgency of the issue and/or available time constraints that we must deal with. So, attend every PAC meeting in your geographic area and earnestly try to make the out of area meetings also. We are already gearing up for next year's election cycle and your input and PAC vote helps us decide the "Who, When and Where" issues that ABATE PAC pursues.

Now on to the dollars and cents that keep ABATE of California, our Lobbyist and our

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ABATE of California Accomplishments

ABATE supported the establishment and the expansion of the award-winning California Motorcycle Safety Program (CMSP), and holds a permanent seat on the CMSP Advisory Committee.

ABATE assisted in the defeat of a proposed federal ban on sport bikes.

ABATE has been a driving force in promoting "May as Motorcycle Awareness Month" not only at the state level but also in local cities and communities.

ABATE's political action arm, [ABATE-PAC](#), has trained and organized campaign volunteers to assist in the campaigns of candidates supportive of motorcyclists' rights, which has raised the visibility and credibility of California motorcyclists with local, state and federal politicians.

ABATE Locals are involved with fund-raising endeavors for charities and those in need. Tons of food and truckloads of toys are donated each year at Thanksgiving and Christmas, working in partnership with community charity organizations.

ABATE helped to open High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) lanes to motorcycles.

ABATE successfully challenged the San Diego Police Department over enforcement of the helmet law in Federal court. (Case # 93-0807-J (CM) May 25, 1995 Filed)

ABATE was instrumental in Purple Heart Motorcycle License Plate approval.

ABATE joined other [MROs](#) to lobby the insurance industry, putting an end to their "Superbike Blacklist" of high-performance bikes that they refused to insure.

ABATE helped defeat two separate bills to outlaw "lane-splitting".

ABATE worked alongside virtually every national and state motorcycle rights organization and lobbied Congress aggressively to successfully repeal federal highway funding penalties against states without helmet laws.

ABATE supported the passage of H.R. 3103 in 1996, which prohibits discrimination against motorcyclists in health care availability and affordability.

ABATE was the driving force that prevented helmet law violations from being assessed against the driver's license as a moving violation.

ABATE worked on the passage of (AB1515 & SB2084) – Veteran's License Plates for Motorcycles. Both Bills approved by Governor Gray Davis in 2000. AB1515 - Chapter 859, SB2084 – Chapter 861.

ABATE was instrumental in the passage of the motorcycle Handlebar Height modification bill (AB2844), Vehicle Code 27801 Section 1 (a), (b). Chapter 280. Approved by Governor Schwarzenegger August 23, 2004.

ABATE lobbied aggressively to increase the penalties on ROW violations. (SB1021) Approved by Governor Schwarzenegger September 30, 2006. Chapter 898.

ABATE lobbied aggressively to repeal Section 2140.5 V.C. (Traffic-actuated, signals for bicycles & motorcycles) (AB1581) Approved by Governor Schwarzenegger October 8, 2007, Chapter 337.

AB 1205 – Dan Logue; 2/2009 Bill Introduced to modify the existing Mandatory Helmet Law; ABATE supported, bill failed to get out of Transportation Committee (2/2010).

AB 882 – Jean Fuller; Introduced a bill to post Victim Memorial Signs on Highways; ABATE supported; Bill passed both the Assembly and Senate floors; Governor Schwarzenegger vetoed the bill October 2009.

SB 435 – Pavley – Smog Check Bill for Motorcycles; Introduced in 2009, amended 8 times by ABATE's continuous lobbying efforts; The last amendment finally reduced it to a "noise bill" and it was signed by Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger on September 28, 2010; Chapter 407. Law effective beginning January 2013.

February 2010 – Between ABATE members John Del Santo, Jean Hughes, James Lombardo, Cal Trans, and others (along with years of correspondence); Changeable Message Boards on Freeways throughout

the State of California are now being used to alert drivers to "Share the Road, Look Twice for Motorcyclists" especially during the month of May to correspond with Motorcycle Awareness Month.

AB 1848 – Martin Garrick – Motorcyclist Theft tools; ABATE supported this bill to close loopholes; Amends Section 466.65 of the Penal Code. Signed by Governor Schwarzenegger July 19, 2010.

AB 1952 – Niello; Amends VC 12509 and adds 12509.5 relating to motorcycle instruction permits. ABATE supported. Signed by Governor Schwarzenegger September 20, 2010.

AB 695 – Chris Norby – Bill to amend Mandatory Helmet Law introduced 2/2011; 4/25/11 bill was granted reconsideration; Amended 1/2012; passage failed in Transportation Committee 1/9/12 in spite of ABATE's lobbying efforts and enormous rider support.

AB 1890 – Jose Solorio – Revised mandatory placement location of transponders on motorcycles using toll roads and highways. Bill signed by Governor Jerry Brown July 10, 2012. Amends Section 23302 V.C.

AB 1047 – Kevin Jeffries – Forbids "motorcycle only" checkpoints – ABATE supported; Bill signed by Governor Jerry Brown July 13, 2012. Amends Section 2814.1 V.C.

AB 1535 – Linda Halderman – Installation of "Motorcycle OK" signs in HOV lanes. Introduced January 24, 2012. (Bill is being held under submission).

For complete context on any of the above numbered bills please go to www.Leginfo.ca.gov

ABATE Of California supports motorcycle rider training and asks that all motorcyclists ride responsibly.

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COAST TO COAST BIKER NEWS

Compiled & Edited by Bill Bish

FEDERAL RULE WILL REQUIRE A "BLACK BOX" IN NEW VEHICLES:

Congress failed to pass legislation that would have required manufacturers to install event data recorders (EDRs) in all new vehicles, so a federal safety agency is using its rulemaking authority to mandate that all new cars sold in the United States be equipped with so-called "black boxes" - capable of capturing what happened in the moments before and during a crash.

Citing privacy concerns, House Republicans had succeeded in removing a Senate provision requiring EDRs from the final transportation bill last year, so the Obama administration is bypassing the legislative process in favor of the administrative rule.

Insisting the devices are meant for crash investigation purposes, and not for invading privacy, the U.S. DOT National Traffic Safety Administration mandate will require all automobiles and light trucks manufactured after September 1, 2014 to have an EDR device that stores driving information for federal investigators.

Automotive EDRs are similar to -- though not nearly as sophisticated as -- the black boxes used in commercial airliners, and they are already installed in nearly 92% of today's vehicles, according to industry officials, and provide important information for industry engineers and, in some circumstances, law enforcement authorities.

But Horace Cooper of the National Center for Public Policy Analysis called the move "an unprecedented breach of privacy for Americans." Cooper said that contrary to what is being claimed, EDRs "can and will track the comings and goings of car owners and even their passengers" -- and what they can record is virtually unlimited.

In the meantime, U.S. Representatives Mike Capuano (D-MA) and Jim Sensenbrenner (R-WI) have announced their intentions to introduce the "Black Box Privacy Protection Act" that will protect drivers' and riders' rights by requiring dealers to disclose to consumers if a vehicle is equipped with an EDR, would require manufacturers to allow consumers to deactivate the device, and clarifies that the owner of the vehicle owns the data and it cannot be accessed without permission.



"Consumers should have control over the information collected by event data recorders in vehicles that they own and they should have the option of disabling the device if they choose to do so. This is a basic issue of privacy," said Rep. Capuano.

DESPITE MEDIA HYPE, MOTORCYCLING IS SAFER:

Record numbers of motorcycles over the past few years have resulted in an increased number of annual motorcyclist fatalities, and in light of overall motor vehicle fatalities steadily decreasing gives the impression that motorcycling is becoming more dangerous, but just the opposite is true.

While so-called safety experts point to more and more states relaxing their helmet laws as the root of all this evil, it's in fact a numbers game that motorcycle enthusiasts are winning.

Over the past five years, since 2007 when there were just over seven million motorcycles in the U.S., motorcycle registrations nationwide have ballooned to eight and a half million; an increase of 15% more motorcycles on the road today, while at the same time fatalities per 100,000 registered motorcycles has actually decreased by nearly a quarter! Moreover, over the past decade motorcycle registrations have risen 40.7% (from 5,004,156 in 2002 to 8,437,502 in 2011), but the fatality rate dropped 17.3% (from 65.35 per 100K to 54.66).

Check out the most current statistics acquired by the National Coalition of Motor-

cyclists (NCOM) from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's Fatality Analysis Reporting System (FARS), compared to motorcycle registration numbers found on the U.S. DOT Federal Highway Administration website:

Year - Registered Motorcycles / Rider Fatalities = Fatality Rate per 100,000 Motorcycles

2007 - 7,138,476 / 5,174 = 72.48

2008 - 7,752,926 / 5,312 = 68.52

2009 - 7,929,724 / 4,469 = 56.35

2010 - 8,009,503 / 4,518 = 56.40

2011 - 8,437,502 / 4,612 = 54.66

****NOTE:** According to these data analyzed by the National Coalition of Motorcyclists, motorcycle registrations have increased 15.4% over the past five years, while fatalities decreased by 10.9% and the fatality rate declined 24.6%...why isn't the news media reporting THESE facts?

GERMAN STUDY CLAIMS MOTORCYCLE HELMETS COULD BE SIGNIFICANTLY SAFER:

A study carried out by the German Hohenstein Institute in Bönningheim shows that motorcycle helmets could indeed be a lot safer if some other measurements would be taken into account, concluding that inner shell size alone is not enough for providing the best protection-to-fit ratio, and the head shape is just as critical.

The Hohenstein Institute study narrowed the head shapes to 6 major categories, with an amazing width variance of 3.5 cm (1.37"), determining that one helmet size cannot possibly offer the best fit for all these head shapes, even provided the circumference is the same.

With the way the inner impact layer fits on the rider's head being one of the critical elements in shock absorption and G-dispersion, it's apparent that the same shape will create different pressure points on a motorcyclist's skull, leading to various outcomes in similar crash conditions.

Spaces between the skull and the protective layer/liner result in less optimal protection in case of an impact, and such anthropometric head data could improve helmet design and manufacturing significantly, should the leading brands take notice of the study's finding.

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JAYHAWKERS SEE THE LIGHT: The Kansas legislature unanimously passed House Bill 2318 which allows a motorcycle's headlamp to be wired with a headlamp modulation system, which must meet federal standards. The bill also allows certain types of lights on the sides of motorcycles, visible only from the side and not from the front or rear and to not protrude beyond or outside the body or wheel of the motorcycle. The side lights may emit white, amber, or red light without glare. The legislation was signed into law on April 4, 2013 by Governor Sam Brownback and goes into effect July 1st.

RED-LIGHT CAMERA COMPANIES FIGHT LAWS AND RULINGS AGAINST TICKET CAMS: Purveyors of red-light cameras continue their quest to place cameras on every street corner in the nation, and one strategy is to put the hit on states that have traditionally been "protected" from cameras either through legislation or court ruling.

Redflex lobbyists recently swarmed over the Minnesota Statehouse pushing a bill to allow ticket cameras into the state. The bill was written to thwart a 2007 Minnesota Supreme Court ruling that Minneapolis' red-light camera program was unconstitutional. The bill was defeated in committee, thanks in part to the efforts of ABATE of Minnesota and the National Motorists Association (NMA).

In Michigan, where a 2007 ruling from the state's attorney general has been keeping cameras at bay, recently introduced camera legislation has turned Michigan into the latest photo enforcement battleground state.

The NMA (www.motorists.org) warns that if you live in one of the 15 states that have taken steps to keep cameras out, stay alert. Chances are that a camera company lobbyist is cozying up to a friendly state lawmaker with a nice campaign donation and a pre-written camera bill that needs support.

HONDA & BMW EXPERIMENT WITH "AUTONOMOUS MOTORCYCLE": Most connected vehicle technologies have focused squarely on the car, but BMW and Honda are working to develop autonomous driving technologies that work on two wheels. Both BMW and Honda have already added

plenty of connectivity to their cars, but now the two automotive giants are working with the University of Michigan and Australian startup Cohda Wireless to put networking smarts into their motorcycles.

Adelaide-based Cohda designs radio systems and software that will not only link nearby vehicles on the road to each other, but also to the road itself. The idea behind its autonomous car technology is to create an ever-changing ad-hoc network of vehicles communicating their intentions and interacting with the infrastructure of the road.

Known as vehicle-to-vehicle (V2V) and vehicle-to-infrastructure (V2I), these technologies could help power self-driving cars of the future. The University of Michigan Transportation Institute (UMTRI) runs one of the key test-beds for that technology, and its lab is running an ongoing trial of 3,000 connected vehicles in Ann Arbor, Mich., which is where Honda and BMW will put their connected motorcycles through the paces, according to a report on GigaOM.com.

Motorcycles may not have much room on their instrument panels for the connected infotainment systems going into today's cars, but they could definitely benefit from any technology that makes mounting a motorcycle safer, and one of the major goals of V2I and V2V efforts is to reduce accidents and improve safety on the road. Vehicles could make quicker and better driving decisions than drivers because they would be able to access more info from the networks around them and react to it nearly instantaneously (they're also less easily distracted than human drivers).

As for motorcycle applications, Cohda and UMTRI plan to test technologies that let bikes talk to traffic lights, roadside beacons and other cars, warning them of green lights about to turn red and dangerous curves ahead requiring them to slow down. By using a long-range secure form of Wi-Fi, a motorcycle could communicate with a car long before the drivers can see one another as they both approach a blind intersection.

Previously, a riderless motorcycle was developed in 2005 by graduate students from UC Berkeley to compete in a 150-mile off-road race for autonomous vehicles to further develop self-navigating vehicles for the Department of Defense.

CANADIAN INSURER TO TRACK MOTORCYCLIST BEHAVIOR WITH "TELEMATICS": With an eye to calibrating insurance rates, Saskatchewan Government Insurance plans to use new technology to track how fast and how far motorcycles

go. It's called telematics and someday could be used to help set insurance rates, among other things, but for now SGI is just trying the technology out with a pilot program.

It's looking for several hundred motorcycle users to volunteer to have their bikes equipped with telematics technology. The "black box" type gadgets would record speed, braking, mileage and location. The volunteer riders would have weekly updates on their driving behavior, to show them what information SGI would be looking at.

"Usage-based insurance is the ultimate in rating fairness because it essentially lets the driver control their own insurance rate through their driving behavior," said Donna Harpauer, the minister responsible for SGI. "Simply put, those who drive responsibly pay less and those who don't pay more."

While no one's rates will be affected by the pilot program, the experiment is one of the ideas coming out of the Motorcycle Review Committee, a group formed in the wake of a storm of controversy after SGI had proposed boosting motorcycle rates an average of 73% to compensate for high injury claims. Government-owned SGI later withdrew its proposal and came back with some milder proposed increases for motorbikes, including the telematics pilot program that could begin as early as this season.

POPE BLESSES HARLEYS & RIDERS: Thousands of Harley riders from around the world were blessed by Pope Francis in St. Peter's Square on Sunday, June 16, as one of the stops in a worldwide celebration of the famous motorcycle maker's 110th anniversary, which will roar across 11 countries before concluding in Milwaukee over Labor Day Weekend.

Choral music mixed with revving engines as the Holy Father blessed a sea of Harley-Davidson motorcycles and riders from all parts of the planet flocking to Italy over the weekend of June 13-16 to celebrate Harley-Davidson's milestone, and earlier in the weekend festivities, the leader of the Roman Catholic Church was presented with two white classic Harley-Davidson motorcycles for use by Papal police and his own black leather jacket.

Get in on the action while the anniversary tour is still in high gear. Check out www.110.Harley-Davidson.com for schedules and cities.

QUOTABLE QUOTE: "Men love their country, not because it is great, but because it is their own." Seneca (4 BC – AD 65), Roman philosopher and statesman

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AB 1595 prohibits the use of (approved/sanctioned racing style) seat belt harnesses, prohibits the addition of full roll cages, and requires mandatory helmet use in these and ONLY these vehicles.

Portions of this law go into effect on January 1, 2013 and all parts of the law will be enforced on July 1, 2013. AB 1595 will have an immediate and very negative impact on side-by-side safety and prevent the use of many of these family recreational vehicles that have been upgraded with additional safety equipment.

Please join ABATE of California in our quest to repeal this poorly written legislation and help us restore the rights of side-by-side owners statewide who use these vehicles for safe and responsible family off-road recreation.

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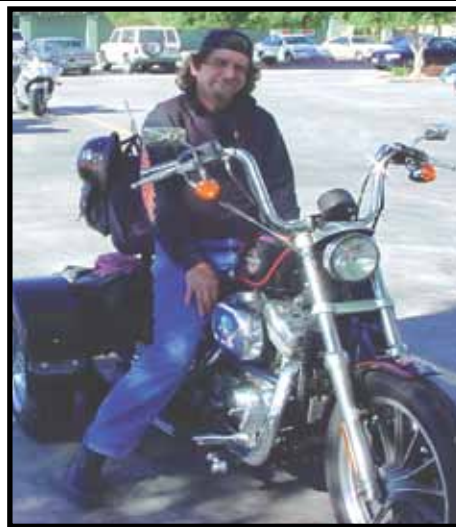
Sporty's Rides

by Lee 'Sporty' Milligan

Hi all! Another edition of Sporty's rides that will be engaging or to say the least whimsical. Injury update: I am recovering slowly. I still have the contraption that holds my foot and lower leg together. I will probably know more when it comes off when I go back to the doctor's office June 25th. I am hopeful that when this thing comes off I will begin to heal faster because it's boring sitting around the house. I will say, my wife Renee, has been a big help taking care of me and changing the dressings on my leg. I am still using the bone stimulator. If that is successful, I won't have to have a bone graft.

My Local 1 meeting is scheduled for June 16. In order to prepare for this meeting the following happens. First I address and send out my post card reminders for my members who don't have a computer. Yes folks this can be a problem because when your members don't have internet access it makes it awfully hard to communicate important items to your non-internet members. I try to negate that fact by occasionally sending out mailings to my non-internet members. But there has to be a way the Locals can keep in touch with the non-internet members.

You have to make all your Local mem-



bers feel welcome. We tend to be a bit lacking in that department. I understand that not every one is going to get along with everyone, but you get a lot more with honey then you get with vinegar. At your meetings treat everyone with respect and they will reward you with a renewal. That is the name of the game.

So now with that said. The next thing I do for the meeting is to make up an agenda that contains items that I want to discuss at the meeting. Over the years, before I became the Local 1 president, I had the occasion to visit other Locals. There I developed ideas that would benefit me when I became president. My mentor, Peter Daniels, has been a tremendous help in shaping my development as a president. There have been more presidents and folks I valued as

influences to my development too numerous to mention. Their insight and wisdom help me to stay the course. So I have prepared for our Local 1 meeting. Hopefully I will get a decent turn out, as it is on Father's Day.

During my down time I have had a few visitors. Mike Sherry, and Steve B and Wildman from Local 1. For about the last year he has saved his money and was finally able to purchase from Bert's Motorcycle in Covina a 2013 Triumph America. When he came over one recent Friday, my wife was favorably impressed. It is a good looking bike.

To all the members of ABATE thanks for your get well wishes and with that thought I hope this downtime is not forever. Please plan on attending ABATE runs in your neck of the woods. And if you need to renew, please take the time to renew your ABATE membership and help us build up our membership numbers.

I miss riding and hope to be able to attend the Board of Directors meeting in July. That's it. Till next time, regards, Sporty.

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Approximate Meeting Schedule:

9-9:30 am Meet & Greet

9:30 – 10:30am – Presidents Meeting (All ABATE Members/significant others, etc., are Welcome to attend.)

10:45 to Noon – PAC Meeting (For ABATE PAC Members ONLY)

Noon – 1:00 pm Lunch (served at a nominal price)

1:00 pm – 3:00 pm – ABATE Board Meeting (All ABATE Members/significant others, etc., are welcome to attend)

August 2-4 – CANCELLED – ABATE NORTH-ERN Regional Rally, Belden Town, CA

August 17 – ABATE Local 44 – Hot August Night with ABATE Local 44 (see flyer this issue)

September 13 – 15 – Golden State Rendezvous – (aka) ABATE ANNUAL State Run – Kernville, CA. (see flyer this issue)

October 6 – ABATE Local 17 – Fallen Riders Memorial Run

October 13 – ABATE Local 17 – Annual Fall Run

November 23 – ABATE Local 38 – Annual Turkey Run

December 8 – ABATE Local 17 – Annual Toy Run

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Membership Report

by Lee 'Sporty' Milligan,
Membership Chairman

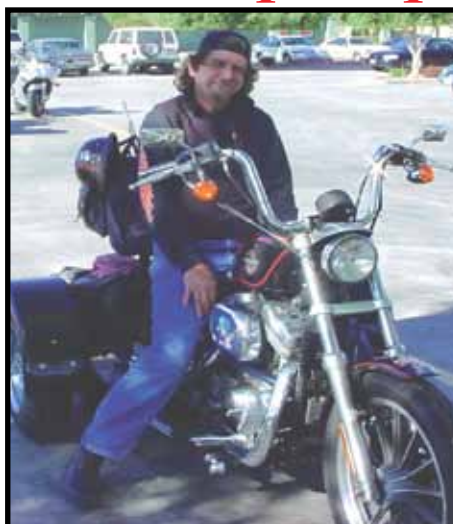
Hi all! I trust you're all busy getting members and encouraging your current members to stay in the fold. It is imperative that we keep trudging along and doing our best to build up our membership numbers.

I am encouraging you to go to bike nights and bike runs and spread the news about the benefits of being ABATE members.

I have a proposal for you. I know that there are members that have membership scripts which have been successful in recruiting new members. If you think you have a pitch that has been relatively successful, let other folks know about it.

Send your membership scripts or pitches to me, your membership chairman, via ..

Ok, a reminder about the Membership Drive. By the time the July Board of Directors meeting is done, we will once



again be able to finance the Drive with the Locals' generous support; meaning you sold your allotment of Membership tickets.

Trinkets: Once again a reminder that when members renew their membership, it goes a long way toward fostering loyalty to your Local when you respond with a special thank you trinket. You

can be creative as to what to give your renewing members.

So if you can think of on idea to help build up our membership numbers. Contact me at sportymilligan@yahoo.com or my co chairman, Stephen Kinzey. His phone number is 909-644-9828 with your brilliant ideas.

And as always, there is unity and strength in numbers of members. Regards, Sporty

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Things you as an ABATE Member should know about our Website & Discussion Group

by Carol Cromwell

WEBSITE: Since the Bailing Wire is now printed every other month, it seems to me that Members may not be getting online and finding out what is going on in ABATE in between printing times. And if you or your Local President didn't attend the May Board meeting in Sacramento you missed some information there too.

One thing that really sticks out is Sporty Milligan's absence from the Board meeting and the Capitol Rally. He never missed those even before he was elected to the ABATE Board! On behalf of the Bailing Wire staff, we want to wish Sporty a speedy recovery. Read "Sporty's Rides" column for the details.

We recently heard that some of you with laptop computers cannot see our complete website for some reason. You can see the ABATE Banner, but not the topics in the gray bar with the drop down menu. So you are missing a lot of information that is posted on the website. At the moment we do not know whether the real problem is the search program a person is using or something else. But we are working on the solution, so keep checking the website.

DISCUSSION GROUP: You (current) ABATE Members with computers and internet access this is how you can sign up for ABATE's Discussion Group: At abate_ca@googlegroups.com you will get a message that "you can't post". Click on contact the "Owner". That will notify us that you want to sign up. If your ABATE membership is current, you will be approved and you will be emailed a message of "approved". BUT you will need to confirm that YOU are the person who made the request and reply to that email. After that you will receive the ABATE information that is posted on that group and you can reply to the posts IF you want. Sounds complicated, but it really isn't.

ABATE's Discussion Group is NOT the same as the ABATE Facebook. Similar things are discussed, but on Facebook you do not necessarily need to be an ABATE member.



TECH TIPS

by Craig Griswold

The Great Oil Debate (Part II)

Last time we talked a bit about the quality of modern oils and diffused some of the misinformation on the synthetic versus fossil oil debate. Now we can dive into some of the technical aspects.

At the risk of stating the obvious, different oils are formulated for different applications. In the realm of motor oils, there is a significant difference between automotive and motorcycle products. Even more so, between air cooled and water cooled engines. The most significant difference is in the additive package. These are chemicals, minerals, and other products that tailor the oil to the application. Air cooled engines have much greater operating temperature fluctuations than their water cooled counterparts. Higher levels of zinc, phosphorus, and molybdenum ensure film barrier protection even when the temperatures threaten the oil's performance.

Moving on to temperatures, how hot is



too hot? In a water cooled vehicle, when the coolant reaches its boiling point, we can easily conclude that the temperature is too hot. What's the "red flag" in an air cooled bike? Modern V-Twins run extremely hot due to stringent EPA requirements, which dictate very lean air/fuel mixtures. Oil temperatures in older engines (in the HD world, Evolution and older models) hovered in the 180-200 degree area. It's not uncommon for the Twin Cams to run in the 210-230 degree region. That's pretty hot, but not overheating per se. Fossil oils begin breaking down almost immediately in what is considered normal operating temperatures, but at 260 degrees rapid break down begins. At this point it's time to shut down and let things cool off. Going back to our discussion on the fossil oil versus synthetic, breakdown occurs much later with synthetic

At this point, a quick snap shot explanation on multi-grade oils is in order. An oil

formulated as 10w-40 is no thicker than 10 weight oil under winter (10w) conditions, meaning below freezing. The 40 means it is no thinner than 40 weight oil at 212° Fahrenheit. So, the first number tells us the performance of the oil at or below the temperature of freezing water, and the second number tells us the performance at the temperature of boiling water. The chemicals added to the oil to accomplish this are called Viscosity Index Improvers (VIIs). Expanding on this anymore would be like watching grass grow, or paint dry. You get the point!

Lastly, follow your bike manufacturer's recommendation for type and viscosity. Fossil oils for Harley-Davidson Big Twins are all different for the engine, transmission, and primary. There are a few synthetic oils that are formulated to run in all three systems in Harley-Davidson Big Twins. They are wet clutch compatible (suitable for primary fluid), resist shear (transmission), and of course can be run in the engine. Remember that the venerable Sportster shares its transmission and primary fluid, so there are fluids designed specifically for that application (Sporttrans, etc.). Ride safe!

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 Palmdale 93552 44545 Division St
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 ron.sundquist@sbcglobal.net

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