

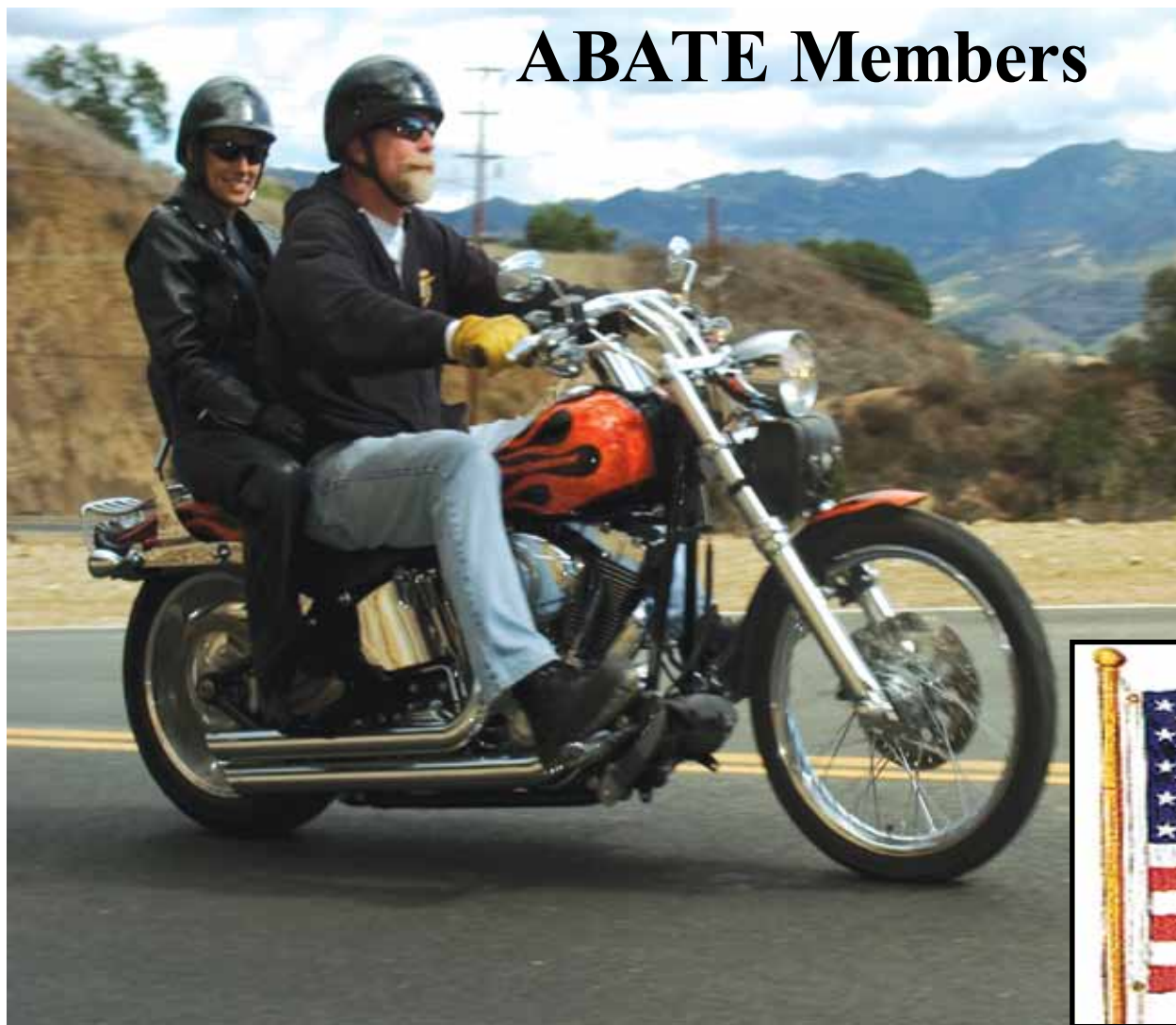
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**A Union of Motorcyclists
Dedicated to Freedom of the Road**

December 2013

ABATE Members



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Pac/Lobbyist Report

by Dave Hastings, Treasurer

The 2014 election cycle will be upon us quickly and unexpected events are already happening that will create new opportunities for ABATE and our candidates of choice. State Senator Bill Emerson's surprise resignation effective December 1, 2013 will definitely have an effect here in southern California as candidates scramble to vacate seats and run for the soon to be vacant 23rd Senate District office. This will bring many more candidates into the upcoming races to fill not only the Senate District but also to challenge any open or perceived weak bids for the Assembly Districts in the same region. Again, this offers ABATE of California a golden opportunity to effect the outcome of these races by simply getting involved on the ground level and making a concerted effort to help our "motorcycle friends" to a successful finish in these races. We will be watching this play out closely and making our ABATE PAC recommendations soon.

Statewide the candidates are gearing up for the upcoming elections and requests for donations of time and money are starting to pour in to our state office. Again, remember we are non-partisan and willingly support any candidate that meets our established criteria for protection of our motorcycle rights. Keep this in mind when we endorse a candidate for office and do your best to help with that candidate's campaign. In doing so you will help every rider in California retain, or possibly even gain back, freedoms lost from prior years. Legislative battles are won when we have candidates that believe in and support the same values that we endorse. Help us turn the tide in our favor by endorsing, supporting, and voting for motorcycle friendly candidates in California regardless of their party affiliation!

On January 11, 2014 ABATE is joining motorcycle riders from all over the state for a Unification Rally on the State Capitol grounds in Sacramento. What does this have to do with our ABATE PAC? Simple, if we have a turn out like we expect at this rally it is going to send a huge message to the elected officials in California and remind them of our dedication, strength of numbers, and dogged perseverance in fighting for our motorcycle lifestyle. This rally will



open doors for us not only in the State Legislature but also amongst the riders that participate. Battles are fought and won by the troops on the ground and ABATE has been supplying those troops for years. The opportunity to team with non-member riders statewide and pursue common, acceptable goals awaits us on January 11, 2014. Let's start 2014 with a hugely successful motorcycle rights event for every rider in California. Make your reservations now; we can always use more troops!

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

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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.

Included with an ABATE membership are a sew-on patch, membership card, and our monthly newsletter THE BAILING WIRE. There are no special requirements for joining aside from an interest in promoting motorcyclists' rights and safety with payment of the appropriate fees.

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Lobbyist's Report

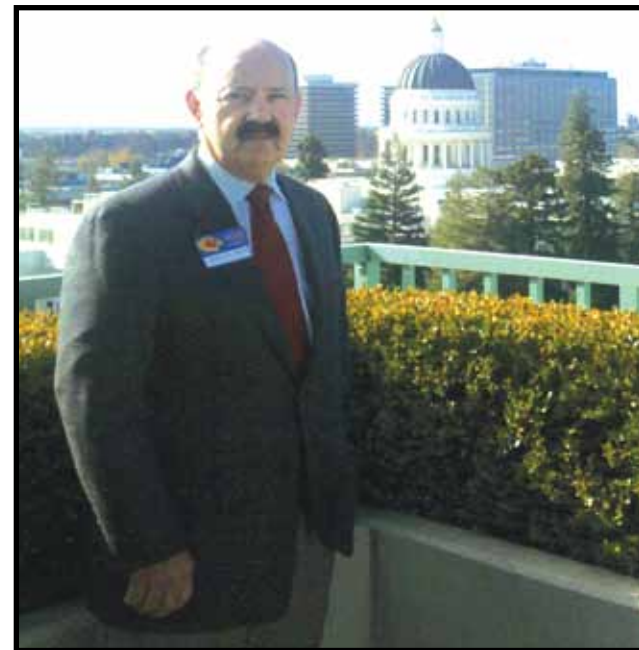
by James Lombardo

On November 15 I spoke with a member of Senator Beall's senior staff and was officially told that amendments were being drafted to **officially have SB 350/Lane Sharing bill become a "Spot Bill" only** – to be used for some other transportation issue!

Senators and Assembly members are limited on the number of bills they may introduce. For this reason, they don't simply just "drop" or "withdraw" a bill. They try to use it for some other legislative need.

Good work motorcyclists! **ANY** changes to SB 350/Beall are dead. However, any of the other 39 Senators or 80 Assembly members can introduce a new bill next year!

A Special Election in the 23rd Senate District to replace Senator Bill Emerson will be held in January 2014. Senator Emerson is a good friend of all motorcyclists. The front runner to replace the Senator is Assembly Member Mike Morrell. Assemblyman Morrell is an avid ABATE supporter and a current member of the Assembly Transportation Committee. We will let you know when we need



boots on the ground for this election!!!

On January 11 at high noon, a motorcycle "Unification" rally will be held at the Capitol. While the legislature does not meet on weekends, they'll be certain to read about the rally when they return January 13! I will be attending – I hope to see you all there!!!





L.A. TOY RIDE

Sponsored by
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and Abate Local #1

26th Annual SKID ROW RIDE to THE FRED JORDAN MISSION

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3717 San Fernando Rd
11am - Departure from Glendale Harley
12pm - Toys handed out
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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 thru political and legislative action. ABATE promotes motorcycle safety through education, training and public awareness.

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

Join on Page 16.

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Business Card	\$15.00 /Mo.
	\$150.00 /Yr.
Double Size Business Card W/Color	\$250.00
1/4 Page (5"W x 7.8"H)	\$150.00 /Mo.
	\$1500.00 /Yr.
1/2 Page (10"W x 7.8"H)	\$175.00 /Mo.
	\$1750.00 /Yr.
Full Page(10"W x 15.5"H)	\$350.00 /Mo.
	\$3500.00 /Yr.

Full color ad is 25% extra.

BUSINESS MEMBERSHIP SPECIAL

\$125 - One Year Business Member Listing, Couple Membership and Display Plaque. Add \$75 per year for color business card.

CLASSIFIED

Members may advertise in the Classified Section at no charge.

PHOTOS

If you have any photos of ABATE motorcycle events please send them to us. They will be returned if you ask. Please include name of event, date, sponsor, etc. Must be received by the 10th of the month. You can email pictures in .jpg file to: bailing.wire@abate.org

It's About
the KIDS!!

Sunday
December 8th

It's All About
the Kids!!

27th Annual Toy Run

All riders
And
Clubs
Welcome



Rain
or
Shine

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ABATE of California Inc. neither endorses nor promotes the services of any particular Law Firm. We are committed to working with all MROs including NCOM, MRF, AMA, MMA, BOLT and any other motorcycle rights organization that strengthens our lobby on legislative issues and on motorcycle safety.

Donations to ABATE Of California are not deductible for Federal income tax purposes. However, dues and fees may qualify as business expenses and may be deductible in limited circumstances subject to various restrictions imposed by the Internal Revenue Code.

Section Two

BYLAWS OF ABATE Of California, INC.

ABATE BYLAWS

The Bylaws of **ABATE** of California outline the structure of our organization. They enable us to function and provide the fundamental framework for the operation. These Bylaws contain a statement of the purposes of **ABATE** and provisions for members, our governing board and our officers. Each Local may establish their own bylaws, but the Local bylaws must not be in conflict with the State Bylaws.

Bylaws of **AMERICAN BROTHERHOOD AIMED TOWARDS EDUCATION** **OF CALIFORNIA** **(ABATE of California, Inc.)**

Revised ~~August 8, 2007~~ October 2013

ARTICLE I - OFFICE

Section 1 - PRINCIPAL OFFICE - The principal office for the transaction of business of the organization is located in San Bernardino County. The location may be changed by approval of a majority of the authorized Directors, and additional offices may be established by a majority vote of the Board of Directors and maintained as deemed necessary by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE II - OBJECTIVES AND PURPOSES

Section 1 - OBJECTIVES AND PURPOSES - The primary objectives and purposes of this union of motorcyclists shall be:

- a) Promote safety and educational programs, public awareness programs, and other programs to improve the general image of the motorcycle community.
- b) Protect the rights of motorcyclists by informing the membership on all relevant regulations and legislation and promoting political action activities in the best interests of the motorcycle community.

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

Section 1 - MEMBERSHIP PROVISIONS - The following provisions apply to applications and memberships:

- a) Any person or business may apply for membership by written application to the organization and payment of applicable dues. An application may be denied for any conduct prejudicial to the purpose of ABATE of California or its membership, to be determined by a majority vote of the Board of Directors.
- b) All new memberships are provisional for the first year and may be revoked at any time during the first year by a majority vote of the Board of Directors.

A membership card and official ABATE patch will be issued to each first year member. A year pin shall be issued for each year of membership after the first year.

Section 2 - MEMBERSHIP RIGHTS - The membership is the highest authority of ABATE and shall be empowered to take or direct any action consistent with the bylaws of the organization. The specific rights of a member in good standing (membership dues are current) are:

- a) To nominate and vote on ABATE Local representatives.
- b) To nominate and vote for the State Board of Directors of ABATE of California.

ABATE membership information shall only be used for authorized ABATE business, and shall not be used for any personal purpose. No member shall be personally liable for debts or obligations of the organization.

Section 3 - SPECIAL MEMBERSHIPS - The Board of Directors by majority vote may establish and grant honorary and Lifetime memberships. Special memberships automatically assume the rights of a general membership.

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Section 4 - SUSPENSION AND EXPULSION OF A MEMBER - A member may be suspended by a two-thirds majority vote of the Board of Directors. Expulsion shall be effective only if the member has been given notice and an opportunity to be heard before the Board of Directors, and upon finding by a two-thirds majority vote that the member has violated the rules of ABATE or committed acts prejudicial to the purposes or welfare of ABATE or its membership.

ARTICLE IV - STATE ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

Section 1 - BOARD OF DIRECTORS - The overall management of the organization will be the responsibility of the Board of Directors:

- a) The authorized number of directors shall be eleven (11).
- b) Directors will be elected by the general membership each December for a term of two years to commence at the first Board of Directors Meeting of the year following the elections. Six Board members shall be elected for a two-year term on even election years, and five board members shall be elected for a two-year term on odd election years.
- c) The Board by majority vote will select a Chairman of the Board.
- d) The Chairman will be responsible for scheduling the Board meetings, preparing the agenda, chairing the meetings, and other duties as delegated by the Board of Directors.
- e) Vacancies on the Board of Directors shall be filled immediately by the next highest vote recipient(s) in the current election. If none is available, the seat shall be filled by a person selected, by a majority vote of the Board of Directors.
- f) The Board may remove by two-thirds vote any Board Member who has not attended two consecutive Board meetings or for cause. This intent to remove a Board Member must be started by informing the individual of the intent and of the date of the meeting where that decision will be made final.
- g) There shall be a minimum of four board meetings per year.
- h) The Board of Directors by majority vote shall appoint the state officers of the organization. Any member may submit candidates from current members of ABATE of California.
- i) A quorum shall be necessary to conduct a Board of Directors meeting. A quorum is a majority of the existing Board members.
- j) A majority vote at a Board of Directors meeting, with a quorum present, is the act of the board.
- k) Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called at the request of the Chairman or any two Members of the Board. Special meetings must have a specific topic and agenda and no other topics will be decided at that meeting.

Section 2 - OFFICERS - The officers of the organization will be responsible for the daily management and operation of state level affairs. Policy decisions and fund expenditures (see Article VI for expenditures limits) must be authorized by the Board of Directors. The State officers will consist of

the Executive Director, Regional ~~Directors Representatives~~ **1**, Treasurer, Secretary, Safety Officer, Newsletter Editor, Membership Coordinator, ~~Political Action Committee Chairman~~ **Legislative Director** **2**, Merchandise Coordinator, Public Relations Officer, ~~Judicial Officer~~ **Information Coordinator** **3** and other officers as determined by a majority vote of the Board of Directors. Officer duties shall include:

- a) **Executive Director** - The Executive Director shall be the Chief Executive Officer and shall, subject to the control of the Board of Directors, of which he/she may be a member, have general supervision, direction and control of the organization and Officers, except for duties delegated by the Board of Directors to the Chairman of the Board or other Officers. Other responsibilities include:
 - 1) Official spokesman for ABATE of California on all non political issues.
 - 2) Coordinator between the State and Locals, which will include effectively maintaining and managing the ~~Deputy-Director~~ **Regional Representatives** **4** network to aid the ~~Deputy Directors~~ **Regional Representatives** in working with the Locals. **4**
 - 3) Assist new and existing Locals in an advisory capacity.
 - 4) Represent ABATE of California at meetings of traffic safety groups, workshops, and other activities which affect motorcycling.
 - 5) Maintain current information regarding all ABATE programs.
 - 6) Work on establishing cooperation between motorcycle groups on a statewide basis in the common interests of motorcycle safety and political awareness of mutual interest.
 - 7) Responsible for the production, distribution, maintenance, and periodic updates of the Policies and Procedures Manual.
- b) **Regional ~~Directors~~ Representatives** **4** - Shall assist the Executive Director in the performance of his/her duties.
- c) **State Treasurer** - Shall keep a complete, accurate account of all ABATE monies. The State Treasurer shall furnish a quarterly internal financial statement and ~~distribute~~ **make available** **5** to each Local Treasurer.

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- d) **State Secretary** - Shall maintain a file of the minutes of all Board of Directors meetings. Meeting minutes shall be sent to all Board Members and State Officers after each meeting and maintained at the state principal office.
- e) **Safety Officer** - Shall coordinate with, both government agencies and private agencies to invent, develop and assist any program or idea that might be beneficial to motorcycle safety. The Safety Officer will report directly to the Executive Director, and will also give progress reports at each Board of Directors meeting.
- f) **Newsletter Editor** - Shall be responsible for editing, publishing, and distributing a monthly newsletter and other ~~printed~~ **6** materials as directed.
- g) **Membership Coordinator** - Shall be responsible for ~~maintaining~~ **ensuring the maintenance of** **7** an up-to-date master membership list. The membership coordinator shall develop and implement programs to increase the State membership. An updated Local membership list for specific Locals shall be provided to each Local President ~~quarterly~~ **or** **8** upon request.
- h) ~~Political Action Committee Chairman~~ **Legislative Director** **9** - Shall research all California State and Federal legislation and programs pertinent to the motorcyclist and keep the ABATE membership informed in a monthly article in the ABATE state newsletter. The ~~Political Action Committee Chairman~~ **Legislative Director** **9** shall recommend political action programs to the Board of Directors at each Board meeting. Other responsibilities shall include:
 - 7) Act as official spokesman for and representative of ABATE of California on all political issues.
 - 8) Responsible for developing all political policy and political action, and implementing decisions by the Political Action Committee.
 - 3) Responsible for the direction of all lobbying efforts and the lobbyist on behalf of ABATE of California.
 - 4) Responsible for the operation of the Political Action Committee, including but not limited to, appointing the ~~PAC Vice-Chairman~~ **Assistant Legislative Director, PAC Secretary** and **PAC Treasurer**, all to be approved by the Board of Directors. **10**
- i) **Merchandise Coordinator** - Shall act as the purchasing agent for ABATE merchandise as well as solicit designs, maintain and distribute merchandise as needed.
- j) **Public Relations Officer** – Shall be responsible for creating and maintaining a public relations program for ABATE of California as well as assist and teach Locals to administer a public relations program. **Other responsibilities shall include:**
 - 1) **In conjunction with the Executive Director, provide Regional Representatives with pertinent information for dissemination to the Local presidents.****11**
 - 2) **As directed by the Executive Director, assist Regional Representatives with implementation of ABATE programs, events, etc.** **12**
- k) ~~Judicial Officer~~ **Information Coordinator** – The Judicial Information Coordinator is responsible for coordinating ongoing litigation as it pertains to ABATE and other motorcycle rights’ issues and for informing the membership of ways to pursue judicial issues (i.e.: fighting helmet tickets).**13**

ARTICLE V - LOCALS

Section 1 - THE LOCAL - A Local may be established under the supervision of the Executive Director. Each Local will have a minimum of the following officers: President, Vice President, Secretary /Treasurer.

Section 2 - LOCAL OPERATION - Each Local may establish bylaws, but the Local bylaws cannot be in conflict with the State bylaws. Each Local may maintain a treasury, and a quarterly report will be submitted to the State Treasurer. Each Local may determine the use of excess funds, but these funds will at no time be used to profit any individual member.

Section 3 - LOCAL ELECTIONS - Each Local will provide the opportunity to the membership of annual elections of officers. In the event of non-participation, the positions of President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer can be assumed by volunteers with the approval of the Executive Director and at least two members of the Board of Directors.

Section 4 - OFFICER INFORMATION - Each Local must provide to the State Membership Coordinator an up-to-date list of all Local Officers including name, address, telephone number, and date of assuming those duties.

ARTICLE VI - FINANCIAL

Section 1 - MEMBERSHIP FEES - The State Treasury will receive eighty-five percent (85%) of each membership fee. The Local selling the membership will retain fifteen percent (15%).

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Section 2 - TREASURY REPORTS - The State Treasurer will furnish a quarterly internal Financial Report and ~~distribute~~ **make available** **14** to each Local President. Each Local shall send the State Treasurer a quarterly Local report. Each Local shall make available to any Local member the financial status of the Local and/or the last known status of the State treasury.

Section 3 - ABATE MERCHANDISE - The State Merchandise Coordinator will make all purchases of ABATE State merchandise. All merchandise purchases and sales accounting shall be reported to the State Treasurer on a quarterly basis.

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Section 4 - SALARIES - Salaried positions may be established and salaries determined as necessary by the Board of Directors. At a minimum, the necessity of a position will be reviewed annually together with a performance and salary review.

Section 5 - EXPENSES - Any member may be reimbursed ABATE-incurred State expenses with the approval of the Board of Directors or State Treasurer.

Section 6 - STATE TREASURY EXPENDITURES - All expenses greater than four-hundred dollars (\$400.00) must be approved by the Board of Directors. Expenditures less than \$400.00 can be made with the approval of the State Treasurer and one Board member or State Officer. This does not include routine business expenses such as purchase of pins, payment for T-shirts and other promotional items, newsletter printing or mailing costs, etc.

Section 7 - MEMBERSHIP FEE CHANGES - A majority vote of the Board of Directors is needed to change membership fees.

Section 8 - SALARY CHANGES - A majority vote of the Board of Directors is needed to change the salary of any employee.

ARTICLE VII - BYLAW COMMITTEE

Section 1 - BYLAW COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT - The Board of Directors will select three members that are volunteers to oversee and review modifications of the bylaws as needed, but not less than every three years.

Section 2 - BYLAW CHANGES - Recommended changes by the committee will be published in the State newsletter distributed via email to the general membership 15 to be voted on by the general membership. A majority of the “voting” membership by ballot is necessary to change a bylaw.

ARTICLE VIII - POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Section 1 - POLICIES AND PROCEDURES MANUAL - This manual will clearly define all policies and procedures of ABATE of California in regards to overall operation, committee operation, duties of officers and other subjects as they become needed.

Section 2 - MANUAL RESPONSIBILITY - The Board of Directors and the State Officers will contribute to the development of the manual. The Board of Directors will approve the manual and periodic revisions.

Section 3 - MANUAL DISTRIBUTION - The Executive Director will be responsible for distributing the manual and revisions to all Local Presidents and Members of the Board of Directors.

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BYLAWS REVIEW COMMITTEE 2013

Date: November 15, 2013

To: ABATE Members

From: Bylaws Review Committee 2013

SUBJECT: Recommended Bylaws Changes

As directed by the ABATE Board of Directors, the Bylaws Review Committee has reviewed the current Bylaws and have recommended several changes. The recommended revisions were submitted to the Board for their review. At the October meeting, the Board directed that they be presented to the general membership for a vote.

A total of 15 changes/additions have been recommended. A copy of the recommended revisions is attached for your review and information; the revisions appear in red and numerically annotated. A “yes” vote indicates that you approve the change, a “no” vote means you’re not in favor of the change. (Each item is annotated with info referencing the location of the change/addition, etc.)

Upon review, please complete the following ballot and submit to the State Office. Ballots must be postmarked no later than January 27, 2014.

Item #1

☐ Yes

☐ No (Art IV, Sec 2-Reg Reps)

Item #2

☐ Yes

☐ No (Art IV, Sec 2-Leg Dir)

Item #3

☐ Yes

☐ No (Art IV, Sec 2-Judicial...)

Item #4

☐ Yes

☐ No (Art IV, Sec 2-a-2 & b)

Item #5

☐ Yes

☐ No (Art IV, Sec 2-c)

Item #6

☐ Yes

☐ No (Art IV, Sec 2-f)

Item #7

☐ Yes

☐ No (Art IV, Sec 2-g)

Item #8

☐ Yes

☐ No (Art IV, Sec 2-g)

Item #9

☐ Yes

☐ No (Art IV, Sec 2-h)

Item #10

☐ Yes

☐ No (Art IV, Sec 2-h-4)

Item #11

☐ Yes

☐ No (Art IV, Sec 2-j-1)

Item #12

☐ Yes

☐ No (Art IV, Sec 2-j-2)

Item #13

☐ Yes

☐ No (Art IV, Sec 2-k)

Item #14

☐ Yes

☐ No (Art VI, Sec 2)

Item #15

☐ Yes

☐ No (Art VII, Sec 2)

☐ Member’s Name

Member’s ABATE Number

Mail ballot to:

ABATE-Bylaws Ballot

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LOCAL NEWS

Local #01 Los Angeles



Flash! Another Local 1 report before the fact because we're having our meeting after the Bailing Wire submissions are due.

As always we start the meeting off with the Pledge. I give my president's report with emphasis on the Fred Jordan Skid Row Toy run and preparations for the Polar Bear run to be held at the end of February 2014. Also we will discuss the Unification Rally to be held January 11 on the State Capitol grounds in Sacramento.

I will do the PAC report. Wildman will give us his publicity report, Glen C will give us the membership report, and Steve B will do the run report. We will ask for members' input.

Then the monkey business, which is breakfast, if you care to buy some.

Regards, Sporty

Local #11 North San Diego County



Greetings all! I missed the last couple of months. A thing called life reared its head, so back to business. We had beautiful weather for the November meeting here in North San Diego County albeit a small turnout. This was primarily due to our MC community riding for their fallen members. Our thoughts and prayers go out to the Saddletamps and Boozefighters MCs on their losses.

President Dan Buse started us off talking about the grant received by the Escondido PD for their "Safety Patrols", lengthy discussion on that. Dan also reminded us to get our votes in for the Board of Directors due by the 14th of December.

Upcoming events include the Veteran Association of North County Toy Run on November 23 and the San Diego Toy Run on December 1.

Treasurer Tim Clark gave us his report. Preacher Dick discussed the COC issues. Regional Director Dave Connors discussed Board of Directors meeting held in Fresno and the Unification Rally at the capital on Saturday January 11th. Dave also won the "Opportunity Drawing".

That's about it. See you next month. Gary Elliott

Local #20 Orange County



Local 20 conducted their meeting on Tuesday, November 12, at the American Legion in Cypress. 37 individuals were in attendance. Guest speakers present were: Doreen Matsumoto & John Meyer on behalf of Veterans Affordable Housing Program, and Sharon Quirk-Silva, Democratic member of the California State Assembly representing the 65th Assembly District.

Gill Mellen, Local 20 President, presented various topics and asked for support of biker friendly legislators (i.e. Tom Daly, Jose Solorio, Anna Bryson, Sharon Quirk-Silva, etc.). Gill indicated that there will be a motorcycle Unification Rally at the State Capitol on January 11, 2014 (flyers were available). All are encouraged to go.

A rally in Orange County is in the works for June, 2014. More information will be forthcoming as plans are finalized. Gill also indicated that the Lane Sharing Bill has been retracted by the sponsor.

Hessian Spike spoke about the continuing efforts to gain support and sponsorship for a California Anti-Profiling Bill such as was passed in Washington State. Spike reported on politician visits and support of politicians with ABATE donations.

John Meyer provided an overview of the Veterans Affordable Housing Program. The organization has been in existence for 22 months and has received over \$195,000 in donations from various for-profit organizations. Over 100 Veterans have received assistance to move into affordable manufactured homes. Rent,

food assistance, special discounts, and loans are also available through this program. Contact information: 888-923-8387 or email at info@VeteransAffordableHousing.org. Doreen Matsumoto shared that a Corona-based performing company will present "Cinderella" on Thursday, November 14. All profits will be donated to the Veterans Affordable Housing Program.

Sharon Quirk-Silva provided an overview of her personal and professional background. She shared that she understood the plight of profiling due to personal experiences in her career and family. Sharon was a 3rd/4th grade teacher for 27 years, served two terms as Mayor of Fullerton, and was elected to the State Assembly last November. Sharon is not a biker herself, but does have family members who ride. She is on the transportation committee. Sharon's contact information: District Office - (714) 526-7272 or email at <https://lcmspubcontact.lc.ca.gov/PublicLCMS/ContactPopUp.php?district=AD65>.

Our Membership Drawing took place at the meeting to win \$44.00. Bruce Gleason's name was drawn. Bruce wasn't present at the meeting so the winnings will rollover to the next meeting in December.

It was agreed by the members to have a Christmas celebration at the next Local 20 meeting on Tuesday, December 10th. Gill will request for the American Legion to supply ham and turkey as well as the fixings. The cost will be \$10.00 each, unless notified otherwise in advance by Gill.

Submitted by: Moonie

Local #52 Grass Valley



Another year in the books! Hope you all had a great one and 2014 turns out even better.

For those of you that signed up for the Christmas party, I will see ya there!

A couple of events to scribble on your calendar: The Sacramento Easy Riders Bike Show January 11-12. While you're down there gawking at the bikes, join in on the Motorcycle Rider Unification Rally on the 11th. It kicks off at noon at the Capitol.

Ride safe! Craig

Membership Report

by Lee 'Sporty' Milligan, Membership Chairman

Hi all! We're down to the final month of the Membership Drive.

Getting members is priority number one. Keeping your renewals is also just as important. Why is this important? When you get a renewal it says something about your Local. It tells the Local officers that your members like what you're trying to accomplish as a Local in your area. They are also telling you that they are Freedom Fighters working for the cause of ABATE.

With that said it is important to get new ideas from the members on how we can improve membership and just what it takes from the Locals to keep you in the fold. So please send me your ideas on how we, as an organization, can keep you sending the renewals our way. My email address is sportymilligan@yahoo.com.

I have no hidden agendas so let's work together to improve the membership experience. Thanks for supporting me as your Membership Chairman.

Good luck in the final month of the Drive in your quest to get new members and to keep the renewals. Remember there is unity and strength in numbers of members. Thanks. Regards, Sporty



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Motorcycle Safety Report

**By Norm E Newiger,
Safety Officer for Local #02**

T-Bone Happens

T- Bone happens! Not the steak, but meeting by accident. As an unfortunate recipient at being at the wrong place at the wrong time I am now a statistic for this very unfortunate violent collision of metal, the only good thing was that both vehicles were cars! But the statistics doesn't tell about my two operations and months of physical therapy, or even the super high costs of medical treatments from A-Z, and lawyers included. The statistics are very vague when it comes to the "complete story". All they want are the numbers and as little info about the accident.

Why? This is my opinion, as a writer you research and verify your article/story, this is one of the most lengthy time consuming parts of writing, no matter what genre you write about etc. Research requires many hours of reading stuff you either know or don't care about, but there is information out there, you just gotta find it, it's like fishing, sometimes you get skunked, and sometimes you hit the jackpot! Nobody wants to pay for the high costs of research, you know, like our future health care! Just the minimum facts are all you are going to get.

Now here's the real deal: When entering any intersection it's up to the rider to become defensive prior to arriving at the intersection. This is where most accidents occur, albeit cars vs. cars or motorcycle vs. cars. The first and most important thing we can do is be visible! Being visible will save your life. You have to move towards the center of the road to be most visible (past the oil slick build up at intersections). If you have two lanes, then be more towards the center of both lanes; this should be a natural operation with experienced riders. Don't ride next to the left turn lane when entering an intersection, especially if there are multiple cars waiting to turn left, you will surprise the other person turning left in front of you. They might stop as they are turning, but you could clip them enough to get airborne, and that's not good.

The second most important thing is the speed in which we travel. Most drivers of cars turning left or right guess



our speed and then make their move or they wait. But if we change our speed by going faster to get thru the intersection, then this in fact can produce a dangerous situation and the consequences could be fatal! The resulting reasoning from car drivers is "I didn't see them!" Or, "the motorcyclist was going too fast and I misjudged their speed!"

It doesn't matter whether they are right or wrong after the collision, because the probabilities of that person getting injured in a car versus motorcycle is far less than what could happen to a motorcyclist. This is an un-intentional meeting of vehicles whereas a person running a red light or stop sign is an intentional meeting because of the failure to be a responsible driver or rider. This sad fact happens all day, every day 24/7.

Just remember this: Upon entering an intersection we should evaluate the traffic conditions and apply any and all safety measures to include an escape route. A well trained rider does this automatically. One of the most important things I do when I'm riding, especially when by myself, is

flick my high beams a few times when entering an intersection, hopefully this alerts the drivers that are facing me. Remember - visibility!

Here is the really important good stuff! After years of watching David Letterman here and there I've come up with a Top Ten List of my own, if you've seen him do this then you'll know what I'm talking about.

Norm's Top Ten Nuisances of the World of Riding:

10 – People driving real slow, whether they are lost or they are window shopping from their cars. Should I pass them? This is not just old people or foreigners.

9 – People eating while driving and using their knees to steer. I've been a pro at this all my life; in fact I'm a great multitasker because I can also talk on my cell phone at the same time, true! Avoid these lane drifters.

8 – People who flick their cigarette butts out the window without looking at who's behind them, they are worse than the left turn signaler's for life.

7 – Tailgaters, what can you say, they make life uneasy for all and if you are one of them, then don't complain.

6 – Making sure you're visible while stopped at an intersection so you don't get rear ended by a zit faced teen searching for a song on his stereo.

5 – Having to smell and or taste the fine mist of an overheating radiator, to include the fresh air scent of a diesel engine, especially a really old one.

4 – Looking and hearing the one biker hot-dogging it and freaking out car drivers, thus giving us bikers a bad name for all.

3 – People who turn on their windshield wipers cleaning their windows without being aware of who is around them. This is hazardous and could lead to road rage.

2 – People talking on the cell phone, this law does not apply to everyone as I see it, still as common as before, I think if you get caught it's around \$350 plus or minus. Whether they are talking or texting, stay clear of these people, they are not focused. It's the new fad on how to kill or get maimed for life because I'm stupid with technology!

AND #1 – When there is a CHP driving on the freeway and is doing the speed limit or driving slower than the posted speed; this is the number one reason for brake light city and disrupts the flow of traffic!

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COAST TO COAST BIKER NEWS

Compiled & Edited by Bill Bish

CDC TASK FORCE CALLS FOR HELMET LAWS:

A task force operating under the auspices of the Atlanta-based Centers for Disease Control (CDC) is recommending that all states have a mandatory helmet law in place to require motorcycle riders of all ages to wear a helmet.

Citing reduced injuries and fatalities, as well as economic benefits, the Community Preventive Services Task Force, appointed by the director of the CDC, will make its recommendations to the federal agency and report its findings to the U.S. Congress in early December.

The CDC, whose primary mission is to fight disease, issued a report last summer recommending that all 50 states enact universal helmet laws in response to a sharp increase in motorcyclist fatalities; but ignoring the fact that the number of motorcycles in use nationwide has increased substantially over the past decade, and that costs associated with un-helmeted cyclists involved in fatal accidents represent a tiny fraction of overall U.S. healthcare expenditures.

In the meantime, U.S. Representative Tom Petri (R-WI) has authored a joint letter from members of Congress calling for the CDC to stop investigating motorcycling issues such as helmet laws, which they have no experience or expertise with, and "...to direct your attention and resources to areas that are not currently already being addressed elsewhere in the government."

URGE CONGRESSIONAL ACTION TO BAR E15

GAS: The US Defenders (www.usdefenders.org) issued a Call To Action on October 26, 2013 calling for support of House Resolution 1462 "to Stop the Sale of Ethanol 15 (E15)."

The bipartisan RFS Reform Act would "eliminate the corn-based ethanol mandate currently required by the Renewable Fuel Standard (RFS), reduce the overall requirements of cellulosic ethanol not filled by other advanced bio-fuels, and rescind the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) waivers allowing gasoline blends containing up to 15-percent of ethanol."

Introduced by Reps. Bob Goodlatte (R-VA), Jim Costa (D-CA), Steve Womack (R-AR), and Peter Welch (D-VT), H.R. 1462 would effectively overhaul the Renewable Fuel Standard (RFS) which mandates that 36 billion gallons of renewable fuels be part of our nation's fuel supply by 2022, almost all of which being fulfilled by corn ethanol which in turn diverts nearly 40% of our nation's corn crop from food and feed.

Congress created the RFS program in 2005 to promote the ethanol industry by setting the minimum amount of renewable fuel that must be blended into motor fuels annually. E10 (10% ethanol blend) has become widely accepted and helped kick-start the ethanol industry, but in 2010 the EPA approved E15 for use in newer vehicles even though many automobile manufacturers claim its use can damage engines and void warranties, and no motorcycles or ATVs are currently approved to use the alcohol-laden fuel.

Rep. Goodlatte has also introduced the RFS Elimination Act (H.R.1461), "which eliminates the RFS altogether and makes ethanol compete in a free market." Both the RFS Elimination Act and the RFS Reform Act have been referred to the House Energy and Commerce Committee.

Meanwhile, on November 15, the EPA recommended reducing the total amount of ethanol required by the RFS to be blended into U.S. transportation fuel nationwide in 2014 from 18.15 billion gallons down to 15.21 billion gallons, although the move to reduce the minimum volume of renewable fuel next year does not provide a permanent solution to the inflexible short-term mandates nor the long-term diversion of feed stocks to fuel.

ROCHESTER, MINN ACCUSED OF DISCRIMINATING AGAINST BIKERS:

An attorney representing the Confederation of Clubs of Minnesota claims that Rochester bars and restaurants illegally deny access to people wearing clothing that displays affiliations to certain motorcycle clubs and that the Rochester Police Department advises the establishments to do so.

In a letter dated October 31, 2013 to Rochester Police Chief Roger Peterson and City Attorney Terry Adkins, A.I.M. Attorney Michael M. Bader of St. Paul, MN states that by denying access to people displaying affiliations to these clubs, the establishments are violating Minnesota Statute 604.12. The statute, the first and only biker anti-discrimination law in the country, says that access cannot be denied to "a person who operates a motorcycle or is wearing clothing that displays the name of an organization or association," unless the person's behavior is endangering other people or property, or the person's clothing "is obscene or includes the name or symbol of a criminal gang."

Bader's letter states that he has been provided "irrefutable evidence" that Rochester restaurants and bars violate the law by practicing "discrimination" against members of motorcycle clubs, and told the Post-Bulletin newspaper that the evidence includes taped recordings of conversations with bar owners who say police advised them to deny



access to people wearing jackets or other clothing with certain motorcycle club colors and insignias. "The reason given by police, as evidenced in recordings, is: 'that these groups have a history of violence,'" but Minnesota Statute 609.229, which pertains to gang crime, requires a gang or club to have a "pattern of criminal activity" before establishments can deny access to its members.

"Our suggestion would be for Chief Peterson to send a memo to all licensed clubs and restaurants in Rochester with a copy of Minn. Stat. 604.12, advising the license holders that discrimination upon dress alone violates the statute and makes each establishment liable for damages and attorney fees for each person who suffers the discrimination," Bader wrote in his letter.

Peterson told the paper he has no plans to send the type of memo Bader suggested because the police department is not violating any statute, saying it is well-known and well-established that the motorcycle clubs Bader represents have histories of violence in the Rochester area and the police department has advised bars and restaurants to deny access to people wearing any kind of gang colors or insignias, and that includes those of motorcycle clubs with violent histories.

If Peterson refuses to do so, "the next step is litigation," Bader said in a recent interview. "And then it would be incumbent upon the city to prove this pattern of criminal activity." According to Minnesota Statute 609.902, it requires at least three separate criminal acts within 10 years of the beginning of the criminal proceeding.

THREE-WHEELERS EXEMPTED FROM MOTORCYCLE LICENSING & HELMET LAWS:

The Michigan legislature has approved a bill to change the state's motorcycle laws to allow Elio Motors to sell a three-wheeled car in the state without buyers being required to get a motorcycle endorsement.

The "Elio" (pronounced EE-lee-oh) is considered a "motorcycle" under federal and state safety regulations because it has three wheels and weighs less than 1,600 pounds. Nonetheless, it handles like a car according to inventor Paul Elio, who says Michigan's old law would have required buyers of the Elio to take a motorcycle safety test that teaches things like, "the throttle is on the right handlebar" and you should "lean into a curve."

The company is banking on other states with similar laws to have them modified by the time Elio Motors plans to start production of the Elio in late 2014, but their main concern is the five states that require drivers of three-wheeled vehicles to wear a helmet.

Joel Sheltrown of Elio Motors says those laws must be changed by the time the Elio is for sale, because wearing a helmet in a car obscures the person's vision and hearing, and the weight of the helmet also has the potential to cause severe neck damage in an accident.

Such laws could also hinder sales of the three-wheeler, which will be manufactured in Shreveport, Louisiana, where the state recently amended their laws to allow Elio occupants to ride without a helmet and operators won't have to get a special "M" endorsement on their driver's license as required of motorcyclists.

GLOBAL TIRE MARKET PROJECTED TO GROW, DRIVEN BY MOTORCYCLES:

The worldwide market for tires is projected to grow at a 5% annual rate for the period 2014-2015, and motorcycles will be a key driver.

According to an industry report, the increasing demand for motorcycles positively influences the demand for tires and hence leads to the growth of the Global Tire market. The demand for motorcycles comes from developing and under-developed countries where the penetration rate of

cars is low.

Also, it is expected that the adoption of tubeless tires in the Global Motorcycle market will increase and will have a positive impact on the Global Tire market.

1 IN 4 DRIVERS ADMIT SURFING THE WEB WHILE BEHIND THE WHEEL:

Texting while driving used to be an offense identified with younger vehicle operators, but a new poll shows how it has spread to older drivers as well. The poll also found that one in four drivers are now accessing the Web while driving, yet another dangerous distraction, and the increase is driven by older drivers using smartphones.

The number of drivers who report using their cell phones to access the Internet while behind the wheel continues to rise, to a point where nearly one of four drivers are going online while driving, according to a national survey that has tracked the potentially deadly practice over the past five years. There were also jumps in the percentages of people who read or respond to e-mail, and who read or update social media networks while driving, according to an article appearing on the front page of USA TODAY on Tuesday, November 12th.

Insurer State Farm began asking drivers in 2009 whether they went online while driving. The percentage of drivers who said they do so has nearly doubled, from 13% in 2009 to 24% this year. Among drivers ages 18-29, that number rose from 29% to 49%.

Most research on distracted driving -- and most laws against it -- has focused on texting while driving, which creates a crash risk 23 times greater than not doing so, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. But the rise in ownership of smartphones, which allow users to surf the Web, access social media and send and receive e-mail, means there are more opportunities than ever for driver distraction, and over the past three years the sharpest increases in smartphone ownership were among drivers 40 and over. For drivers ages 40-49, the percentage that owns smartphones rose from 47% in 2011 to 82% in 2013; for those 50-64, it went from 44% to 64%, and for those 65 and older, from 23% to 39%.

Perhaps reflecting the nation's sustained campaign against texting while driving, that problem is growing much more slowly than surfing the Web. The percentage of people who report texting while driving rose slightly over the past five years, from 31% to 35% of all drivers. Among those 18-29, the number who report doing so has actually decreased, from 71% to 69%.

Chris Mullen, State Farm's director of technology research says, "We need to keep an eye on social media, reading e-mail, all these other functions folks can use. ... That could be legislation, it could be enforcement, it could be education and awareness."

DRIVERS WOULD OPT TO LOSE CONTROL:

A new survey finds that one in five Americans would never take the wheel again if a self-driving, or autonomous, car were available. CarInsurance.com asked 2,000 drivers whether they would buy an autonomous car if it meant they never had to drive again, and 20% of them said yes. That number soars if cheaper car insurance is part of the deal.

While 1 in 5 licensed drivers surveyed said they would gladly turn over the keys and let computers do the driving, more than a third of those surveyed said an 80% discount on car insurance rates would make purchase of an autonomous vehicle "very likely," and 90% of respondents said they would at least consider the idea.

Cars that park themselves, navigate stop-and-go-traffic or avert an impending collision are already on U.S. roads today, and Nissan has promised to deliver a fully autonomous vehicle -- one that allows a computer to assume control under the right conditions -- to showrooms by 2020. A fully automated vehicle that doesn't need a human operator could someday follow.

"Our survey shows cheaper insurance will greatly influence consumer acceptance," said CarInsurance.com managing editor Des Toups. "Some of the liability of operating a car will doubtless be assumed by the manufacturer," Toups said. "But a lot of the decrease in rates could come simply because there would be many fewer accidents."

Trust will be a big hurdle, the survey results show, as 64% said computers were not capable of the same quality of decision-making that human drivers exhibit, and 75% said they can drive a car better than a computer could. Asked what they would do with their additional free time, 26% responded that they'd text/talk with friends, 21% would read, while 10% would sleep and 7% would work.

QUOTABLE QUOTE: "Most men lead lives of quiet desperation and go to the grave with the song still in them." Henry David Thoreau (1817-1862) American poet and practical philosopher

The Following Information Has Been Provided by the California DMV

- DMV Driver Handbook Available for the iPad

New and Interactive Option for Preparing for the Written Test

SACRAMENTO — The California Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) has introduced a new dynamic and interactive version of the Driver Handbook for the Apple iPad tablet to help new drivers prepare for DMV's written exam.

"We transformed our traditional driver handbook into a dynamic and interactive experience," said DMV Chief Deputy Director Jean Shiimoto. "This new iPad version of the DMV handbook offers customers innovative educational materials to help improve driver safety on California's roadways and highways."

The Handbook is primarily designed to help prepare new drivers for the DMV's written test of traffic laws and road signs. New and experienced drivers will also find this handbook a valuable resource for information about safe driving.

The DMV Driver Handbook on the iPad offers a full-screen educational experience including diagrams, photos, videos, and quizzes. The handbook's other useful features include text highlighting, content search, a detailed glossary and the ability to take electronic notes and share information on Facebook or Twitter. The Handbook includes sample tests, DMV driving videos and list of

local DMV field offices.

A demonstration video of the new California DMV Driver License Handbook for iPad is available on the DMV's YouTube channel, where drivers can find lots of useful information to help hone driving skills and learn the rules of the road: <http://youtu.be/sXvo20UgrM8>.

The electronic version of the DMV Driver Handbook for the iPad was created using DMV's in-house information technology and website services team, which was instrumental in selecting the template, customizing the program, and designing a layout.

DMV also has a DMV Now app for smartphones that helps drivers prepare for the written driver license exam, learn about safe driving by watching DMV driving videos, and find local DMV field offices. In 2011, the Android and iPhone apps earned the California DMV two of the Center for Digital Government's Best of California Awards during the annual Government Technology Conference in Sacramento. In 2013, DMV was named a 2013 Computerworld Honors Laureate by IDG's Computerworld publication. The annual award program honors visionary applications of information

technology promoting positive social, economic and educational change.

The DMV Driver Handbook can be downloaded for the iPad for free through the iBooks app bookstore. You must first download the iBooks app for free on your iPad through the Apple App Store. Hard copies of the driver handbook are still available at DMV field offices statewide or can be viewed online at www.dmv.ca.gov.

"DMV's goal is to provide customers with useful educational tools that facilitate learning and help make California's roads safer," added Shiimoto.

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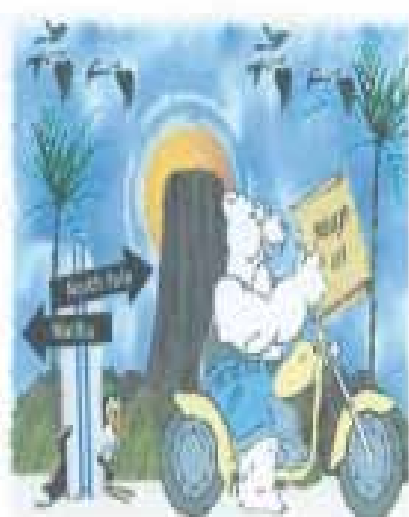
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Sporty's Rides

by Lee 'Sporty' Milligan

Well Hello again! Sporty's Rides begins. First the medical report. I am still on the mend which is beginning to be quite a pain in the ass. The last time I saw my doctor I was told that I could go back to work on full time light duty status. It also meant that I could start driving. So I have been driving myself to my physical therapy sessions. The doctors and the folks at physical therapy said the swelling in my leg is normal. At some point they said the swelling will go away. I have another appointment with my leg doctor November 25 to determine if I can go back to work full time on December 1. Ok boys and girls that is what has transpired health and leg wise.

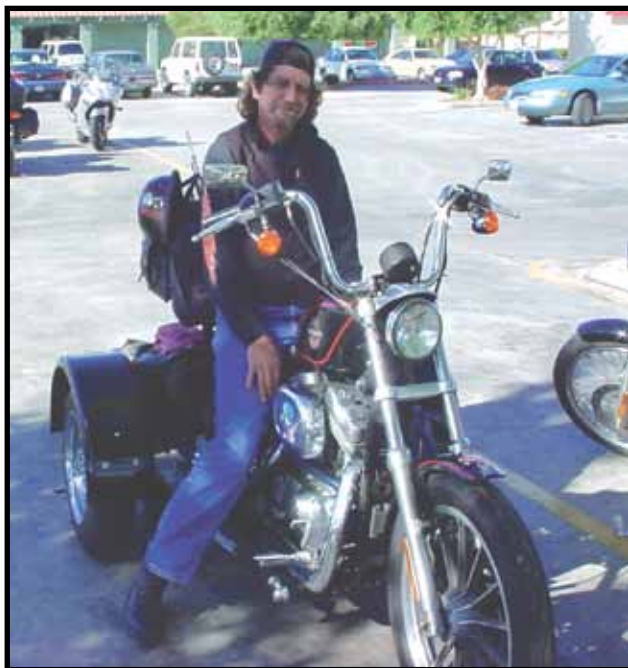
October 20 was the Love Ride and of course we had a booth in the trade show area. It pays to have a working relationship with the good folks at Glendale Harley Davidson. They have been a business member of ABATE Local 1 for over 20 years! And we thank them for that.

The day before the event we go to Castaic to get our booth ready. ABATE Local 1 member Glen Cheslock is the person responsible for getting the booth issue settled. That way when we get to Castaic Lake where the end of the Love Ride is we can set up and be ready to go.

The following folks showed up Saturday to do the set up: Jim Nickla, Steve and Linda Kerr, Marshall LefCourt, Glen Cheslock, and me, Sporty. It takes approximately 1 to 1 1/2 hours to set the booth up, put up the banner, then cover things up for the actual run the next day.

We were meeting at the usual place, the McDonald's by the 5 fwy, by 8 am. The same crew was there with the additional folks Steve B, Jeri Alexander, and Wildman. After we parked and set up the booth, tables and chairs we started doing our thing. I wanted the crew to try and get memberships as well as pass out ABATE information regarding SB 350 - the lane sharing bill authored by Senator Beall.

When the entourage from Glendale Harley David-



son finally showed up, they passed by the booth and stopped. Oliver shook my hand and acknowledged our good efforts and next to him was Willy G Davidson! What a thrill it was to see him.

Down the way at the Crocker motorcycle booth was Jay Leno and he, of course, was getting the guys at the booth to start the machine up. So all day we had our crew handing out flyers for the Fred Jordan toy run and the Polar Bear run and Bailing Wires.

YES! We signed-up NEW MEMBERS! A total of 6 - 2 single members and 2 couple memberships. Also by the time we were ready to pack up and go home we had no more Bailing Wires, no Polar Bear flyers, or Fred Jordan toy run flyers left. It was a good day indeed!

One special note: Our very own new member Jeri Alexander, aka Blazen, did a very good job getting the flyers and information out to the folks who passed by our booth. Great job being it was her first time with Local 1 doing this volunteer work.

October 26 in the town of Fresno ABATE Local 24 hosted the final Board of Directors meeting of 2013. It was held at the La Quinta Inn. Since I was given

permission to drive my truck, I drove there. My wife, Renee, suggested that I take someone along in case I got tired. I took her suggestion and invited Steve B from my Local - after all he is the assistant to the Local President. My best one, Renee, packed us chicken from KFC and water so we would save money. Nothing special on the drive up. We had lunch at the Phil S Raine California rest stop just before Tulare. You would be impressed because they have completely restored the rest stops. Nice, very nice.

One draw back, the traffic on 99 up to Fresno is awful. The drivers on the road drive terrible and it is amazing that there have not been more accidents on the road. Cruising speed on 99 is about 75 to 80 mph or more.

Finally got to the La Quinta Inn, checked in and eventually had dinner at of all places IHOP. Steve is on a limited budget. The next day was meetings and Board stuff which worked out well. Someone will probably do a wrap up report on the meetings and Board of Directors stuff.

After the meets were done we were going to check out the Indian Motorcycles at a shop a mile down from the La Quinta but the shop closed by 4 pm so no go. Steve will have to see them in December at the International Motorcycle show in Orange County. For dinner Steve and I ate at Fridays - my treat. Not too bad.

Next day we left by 10:30 am, stopped when we had to stop, and finally getting home by 5 pm. Thanks Steve for helping me out on this trip.

Nothing else is happening except we're doing an ABATE booth at some Elks Lodge in Burbank. They're having a bike show, car show and chili cook-off and we were invited to set up an ABATE booth. Sweet.

If you're an ABATE member, get a new member; if you need to renew your membership, renew it; and for you peeps if you ride, JOIN ABATE, you will be glad you did.

So there you have it folks. Until next time, Regards from Sporty Milligan Wearing My ABATE Scribe Hat.



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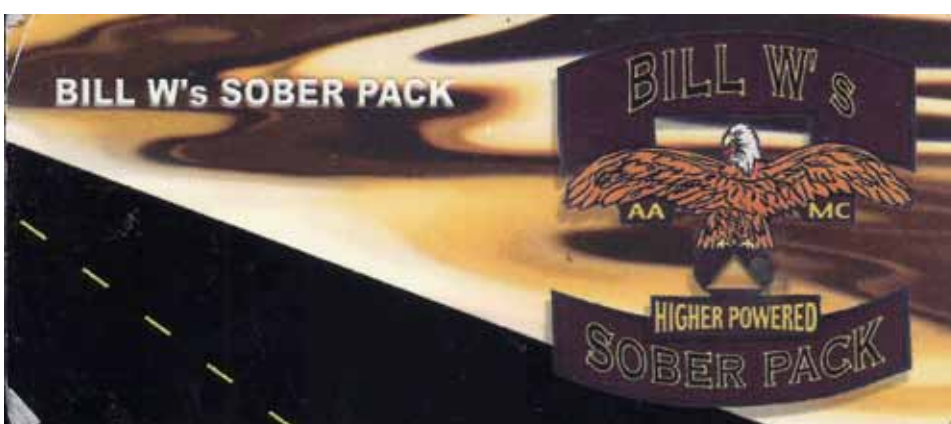
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It's also important to note that a substantial contribution was also received from Local 44; unfortunately the presentation wasn't captured on camera.

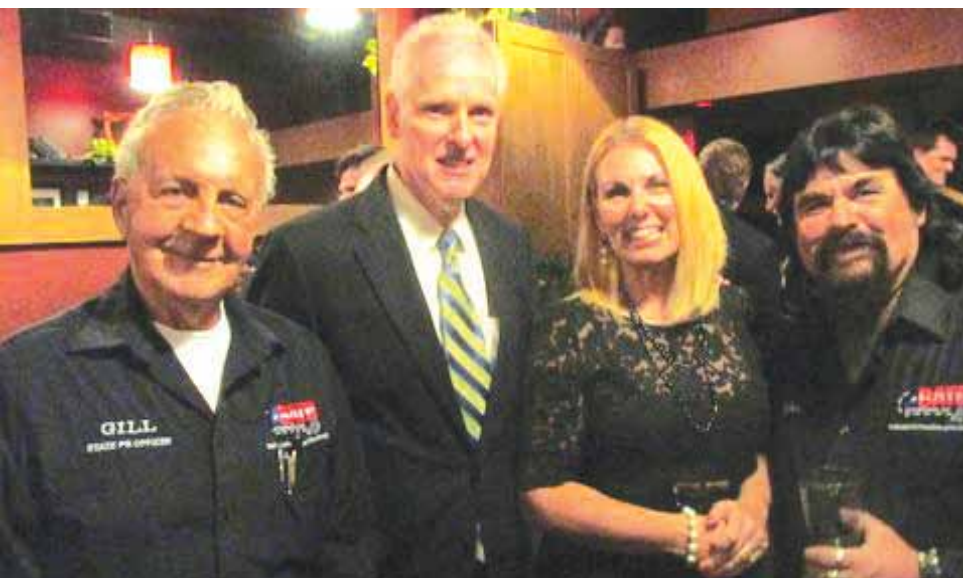
Thank you to all who continue to financially support ABATE's mission.



A special thanks to Nathan Alonzo and Brittney Watson, District Representatives for Senator Andy Vidak, who attended the October PAC meeting. Senator Vidak represents the 16th Senate District.

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Pictures left to right: Nathan Alonzo, District Representative, Sandra Lubbers, ABATE Legislative Director and Brittney Watson, District Representative.



RECEPTION WITH TOM DALY

On Wednesday November 6th, Tom Daly held an evening reception at "Chapter One" in Santa Ana. Spike and Gill attended, representing ABATE and Local 20 who have many members in Assemblyman Daly's 69th District, which includes the cities of Santa Ana, Anaheim, Garden Grove and Orange.

Spike and Gill, not only were able to have some "one on one time" with Assemblyman Daly but also his wife, Debbie, and many of his team members.

The icing on the cake for them was when Jose Solorio (running for State Senate) and Sharon Quirk-Silva of the 65th Assembly District also attended and spoke with them both. Several areas of biker interest were touched upon and further meetings encouraged for specific discussion. ABATE's attendance was duly noted by the speaker and other attendees.

A good time was had by all.



SPECIAL GUEST AT ABATE LOCAL 20

Novembers meeting of ABATE Local 20 at the American Legion Post in Cypress had a visit from Assemblywoman Sharon Quirk-Silva. She represents California's 65th Assembly District, which includes her home of Fullerton, as well as Anaheim, Buena Park, Hawaiian Gardens, Cypress, La Palma and Stanton. After making a short presentation, including her personal background, political interests and involvement, she answered questions from the floor on various topics.

It was a pleasure to see her at our meeting, showing an interest in ABATE and the Biker community. Getting to know our local politicians is invaluable.





TECH TIPS

by Craig Griswold

Winterizing

This month's topic is season appropriate as we'll hit the highlights on winterizing your scooter. The first item on the list is your battery. Unless you're one of the few hardcore, all weather riders (not me), your bike may sit idle for periods of time, especially during the winter. Batteries have a static discharge that will, over time, pull it down to just below useless. Motorcycle batteries are much more susceptible to this than their automotive counterparts. Battery tenders resolve this issue by providing a regulated charge that will bring the battery to a full state of charge and then reduce the output to maintain the battery without overcharging.

If you don't own a battery tender, GET ONE! They are reasonably priced, easy to use, and it's not uncommon to get 5 years of service or more from a good, maintenance free battery (we'll discuss battery types in a later article).



Most tenders come with a pigtail that can be installed on the battery, making the connection a breeze. There are many products out there and the nomenclature can vary from "battery tender" to "trickle charger" to name a few. Make sure the device you use states clearly in the product literature that it contains a mechanism (circuitry in the power adapter) that prevents overcharging. There are trickle chargers and low power chargers that do not switch over and can cook your battery.

Changing fluids and maintaining tire pressures are a few other things you can do. Last, and definitely not least, is the fuel. Fuel stabilizer is a wonderful thing. Gas sitting stagnant for prolonged periods does nasty things to fuel delivery systems, and doesn't burn worth a damn either! Add a shot of stabilizer (quantity varies by manufacturer, read the directions) and run the engine for a few minutes to distribute. You can also drain the fuel, but the former option keeps you ready for that unusually warm day that may spring up out of nowhere.

That's it for this month. Ride safe and good wrenching. (Craig Griswold and Mary Kirby are the owners of Two Gunners Custom Iron in Penn Valley, CA. Questions and comments can be sent to e-mail: craig@twogunnerscustomiron.com, or call 530-263-8071. Additional information can be found on the web at: twogunnerscustomiron.com).



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OCTOBER 26, 2013 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

by Dave Hastings

Nancy Nemecek always posted an “unofficial recap” of the ABATE Board of Directors meetings up until she retired from the Board and we have been unable to find someone willing to take that responsibility since. With that said I have volunteered to try to follow in her footsteps and hopefully give our members a brief overview of what transpires at our quarterly Board of Directors meetings. I will try to keep it brief and remember this is not a transcript of the actual minutes of the meeting, just my recap of the meeting.

The October 26, 2013 Board of Directors meeting was hosted by Local 24 and took place in Fresno, CA. First off a “Thank You” to the members of Local 24 as they did a great job of securing a location for our meeting and coordinating with our State Office to ensure the meetings functioned smoothly throughout the day. Fresno is a great mid-state location to hold our meetings and everyone in attendance agreed the miles and travel time to this location was equitable for all of our members from both the north and the south. We are currently looking at holding future meetings in Fresno for this very reason.

Obviously the Board meeting follows an “official agenda” but I will only be highlighting the meeting and will skip some of the routine agenda items in this recap. The meeting was called to order and we had eight of our eleven Board Members and thirteen of our twenty seven Locals

present. Some of the absences can be attributed to the NCOM meeting that was occurring on the same day.

After a moment of silence for our recently departed members Lil David presented the treasurer report and then we discussed and authorized setting up an “e-mail blast” system to inform our members of current and important issues that require an immediate response and cannot wait for the next printed Bailing Wire or Board meeting.

The format and costs of our Bailing Wire were discussed next and we agreed to have Milky look into possible changes to our bi-monthly magazine again.

Next on the agenda was a discussion on soliciting new insurance bids for next year and we will also be providing our Local Presidents with some new “lower cost” event insurance information that was presented by Chuck Pedersen.

Sporty discussed next year’s membership drive and Nick Benson gave an overview of our Off-Road Division activities for the year.

Tina Sanders then gave a recap of our 2013 State Run in Kernville and gave a quick accounting of our expenses and profit from this event.

Mark Castillero gave a presentation of the 2013 Bylaws Review Committee recommendations that were then accepted by the Board and will be put to the general membership for a line item vote and if approved, implemented in 2014.

Steve Fox then discussed the January 11, 2014 Unification Rally that will be taking place at the State Capitol Building in Sacramento and after discussion by the Board it was decided that ABATE of California would unilaterally support this event and encourage our members to attend and participate with riders from all over the state of California to champion the rights of all motorcyclists and make our legislative representatives aware of our determination to protect our right to ride. Your Local President will be receiving info on this event in November so you can make plans to attend.

The Board then allowed all of the 2014 Board of Directors candidates to make a short presentation on their qualifications for representing ABATE of CA in our upcoming Board elections and each did an admiral job of explaining to our attending members their desire to serve ABATE during the upcoming term. Thank you gentlemen and good luck to each of you.

The last item of business was the January Board of Directors meeting, which will be held in conjunction with the Unification Rally in Sacramento. The Rally will be held on Saturday, January 11, 2014 and the ABATE Board of Directors meeting will be on Sunday, January 12, 2014 and hosted by Local 25. Please set aside the second weekend of January 2014 and plan on attending both events and help ABATE support the rights and freedom of every motorcycle rider in California as the New Year begins!





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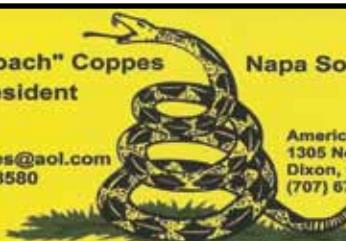
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ONE MORE FROM THE HEART

Thank You from HR – Raymond Fleischman, Jr.

Dear Editor:

If I may, I would like to use this forum to thank ALL ABATE’rs who attended and/or supported this year’s “One More From the Heart” run benefiting the Totally Kids Child Care Center. Thank you all for your continued kindness and generosity.

Again those that formed up at long time ABATE business member the CHOPPER PLACE (founding home for this benefit) were given another successful Blessing by Road Guard organizer and lead Pastor at Paid In Full M/M, Pastor Martin who took over the reigns from Pastor Jose and lovely wife, Betsy, who took’em over from the Famdamily MC some 50 years ago, or so it seems. Again all of us got to the destination with no incident, prayer - it works!

Once arrived and settled we held our observance of the United States Marine Corps 238 Birthday and Veteran’s Day tribute. Guest Speaker Corona City Councilman Richard “Dick” Haley gave a resounding speech on everything military commemorating “Service” for all and we presented him with a nice cake with somewhere around 238 candles burning on

it. The towering inferno set off the fire alarms and the Fire Company from down the street almost came by, it was a funny site to behold. Richard blew out the candles from a distance of 10 feet and still his whiskers got singed. Well I thought it was a good idea, seemed like it at the time, nothing ventured-nothing gained.

The attending throng mixed and mingled with the staff and residents while staff got their annual “Rides.” All seem to really enjoy this event and this year all the nurses were returned without incident, truly a marvel.

There were many old faces as well as many new ones. My hope is that the new ones will be stricken with the Totally Kids bug that infects the rest of us repeat offenders; this is just a nice thing to do.

The Hi Tech fund (formerly the TV/DVD fund) which is collected by our many elves prior to the run, came in around \$1,267.00 and we turned that into two needed laptop outfits with printers. They are now housing some teenagers who actually use these things.

The “Pile’o Stuff” left behind was still very respectable considering these difficult times and we left behind \$9,000.00 at this point. Child life specialist, and cute young grandmother, Pauline Hennessy, said that for about a month after the Run donations continue

to trickle in. Do not think for one moment that you can sneak a donation in after the Run and it not get noticed!

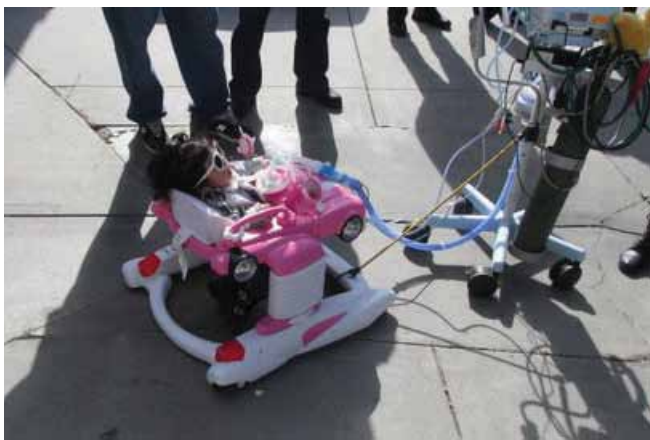
Gill, Spike and the lovely Doreen (Local 20) practically run an event of their own. I believe under Doreen’s leadership they hold fundraisers and such during the year and join us in delivering it all on this day. This place can be habit forming.

There are so many people that aid in collecting for this event it is impossible to name each and every one so just count yourself among them when “You Guys” or “All of You” is referred to.

Kevin and Bea (Local 23) regained their tenure as Mystery Ride coordinators and took us off to a BBQ place in Winchester where we had BBQ/Burgers, Grog, and Companionship. An outstanding Trifecta if you ask me.

Look this is not an official ABATE run, but I must say an awful, a really awful lot of ABATE Locals and folks continue to support, promote and condone this event out of the true goodness of their hearts. So thank you all so very, very much, you all just earned yourself another gold star!

C’ya, HR



ABATE 2013 Events

EVENTS for 2013

www.abate.org Events calendar

December 1 – ABATE Local #19 & Pomona Valley Harley-Davidson Annual Toy Run (See flyer this issue)

December 7 – ABATE Local 24 (Fresno) – Christmas Toy Run to the Valley Children’s Hospital. Meet at Christi’s place (in Madera) between 0900 and 0930. We are due at the hospital at 1000, so don’t be late.

December 8 – ABATE Local #1 & Glendale Harley-Davidson – Annual Skid Row Toy Run (see flyer this issue).

December 8 - ABATE Local 17 (Solano & Napa Counties) – Annual Toy Run (See Flyer this issue).

2014 Events

Saturday - January 11, **2014** – Unification Rally – State Capitol (Sacramento) HIGH NOON

After the Rally on Saturday:
ABATE PAC Meeting at La Quinta – 3:30 pm – 4:15 pm
ABATE Presidents Meeting at La Quinta – 4:30 pm – 5:30 pm
➤ A block of rooms have been reserved at La Quinta for a special price of

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- A reminder from the La Quinta management – NO Alcohol in the pool area, and for those of you who use their towels to clean your bikes/ vehicles – **PLEASE bring your own!**

Sunday - January 12, **2014** – 1st Quarterly ABATE Meeting – La Quinta Inn; 200 Jibboom St; Sacramento,
New Start time: 9 am and adjourn by 12:30 pm

February 15, **2014** – ABATE Local 17 – 3rd Annual Texas Hold-em Tournament (See Flyer this issue).

February 23, **2014** – ABATE Local #1 – 27th Annual Polar Bear Run (see flyer this issue).

May 9, 10 & 11, **2014** – 20TH Annual Southern Regional Rally – Victorville.

All Event flyers that have been received are also on ABATE’s website www.abate.org on the event calendar with their respective details (sign-in times, Location, Cost, etc.)

and flyers can be downloaded in a PDF format.

Please email your ABATE Event information (in Microsoft word document) and Flyers (in a JPG file) to Bailing.wire@abate.org by the 15th of the month to be listed in the next issue. Your flyers MUST be in a jpg file to be used in the Bailing Wire. Your event flyer will also be on the ABATE web site on the Events Calendar.

Don’t forget to get your **Event Insurance** – contact the ABATE State office for the information.

ABATE BOOTH AT THE LOVE RIDE

by Sporty Milligan

To all: This is the Local 1 wrap-up report on the activities that took place at our Love Ride booth. We had the following Local 1 members work the booth: Jim Nickla, Steve B, Jeri, aka Blazen, Alexander, (a recent sign-up, Jeri did exceptionally well since it was her first assignment with Local 1), Marshall LefCourt, Steve & Linda Kerr, Wildman, and the leader of the group, Sporty Lee Milligan.

Our job this year was to work on getting all of our Bailing Wires passed out, flyers for the Fred Jordon Skid Row toy run passed out, flyers for Local 1’s Polar Bear run passed out, and to push the Unification Rally, January 11, 2014, to be held on the grounds of the State Capitol in Sacramento. Plus the main thrust was to try getting more members for the membership.

I made the folks aware about SB 350 and the possible safety vest attachment requirement to the bill. This made it possible to get the information out to the riders in attendance.

When the riders showed up, the first group passed by with Oliver Shokouh owner of Glendale Harley Davidson and Willie G Davidson. I was impressed when Oliver shook my hand. Glendale Harley Davidson has been a business member of Local 1’s for 20+ years. Steve B had his picture taken with Willie G.


The day was winding down when a blast of the past stopped by our booth and it was Paul Lax. I informed him that he had let his membership lapse, so he took two membership cards and said he would send them into Carol at the state office with a nice note to go along with that.

Ok the good stuff! We got 2 single memberships and 2 couple memberships. Welcome to the new members of Local 1 Don Holdridge from Northridge, Dolores Vadillo from San Fernando, and couple members Robert & Racio Hoyt from Los Angeles, and couple members Alex Miller & Ashley Bornzin from Granada Hills.

We had a productive day, passed out Bailing Wires, run flyers and got new members! What could be better than that?

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Thank you to one and all for your renewals and contributing a little more to the funds you choose; Donations are welcomed anytime – you can snail mail (checks payable to) ABATE of California, 10240 7th Ave; Hesperia, CA 92345-2631. In the memo write which fund(s) you want it applied to.

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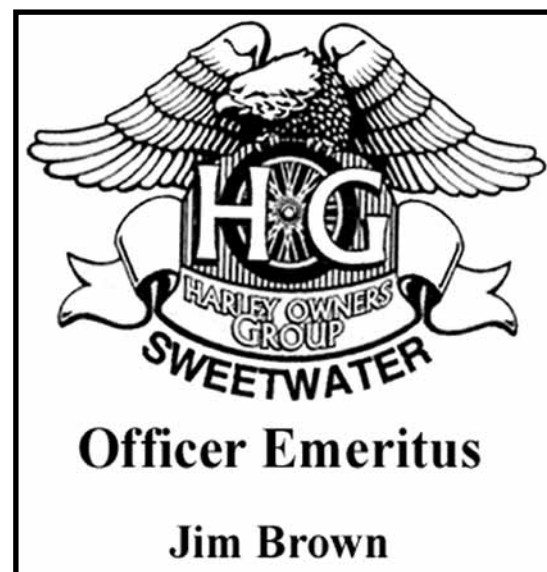
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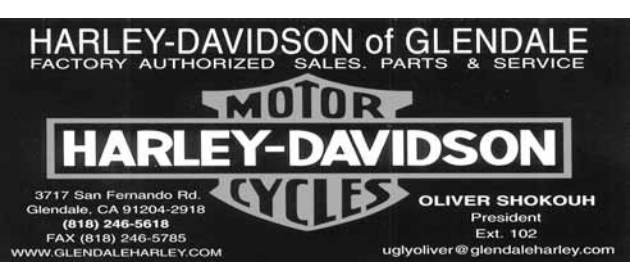
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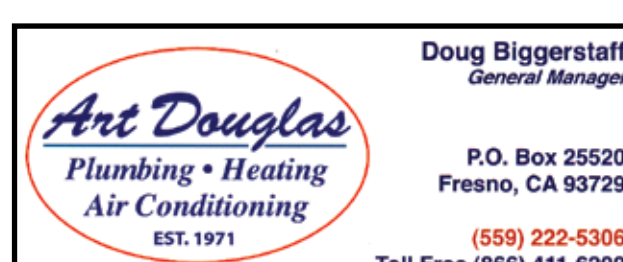
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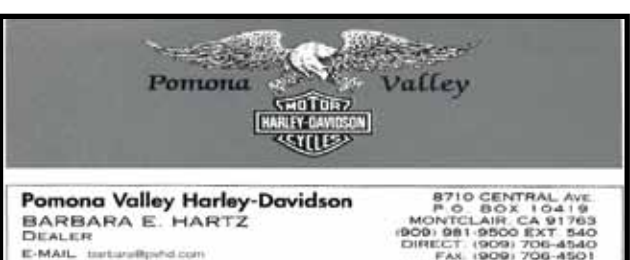


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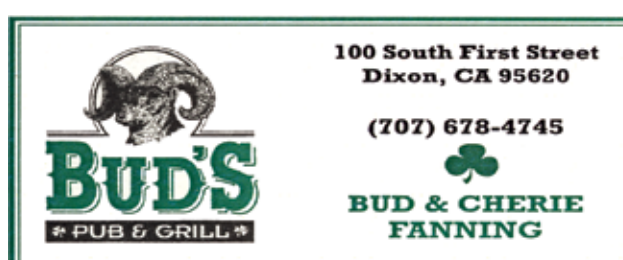


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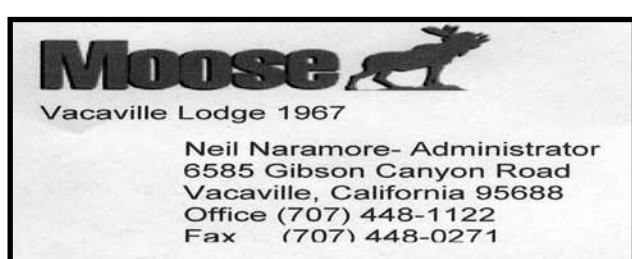
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06 Edie + Jim San Diego 858/566-4858	17 Loyal Order of Moose #1967 Vacaville 707/448-1122	24 Allied Linoleum & Carpet Pinedale 559/438-0177	27 Chili's Redlands 909/831-0407	27 The Chopper Place Riverside 951/687-6655
06 Final Option M/C National City 619/895-8795	17 Miss Darla's Vacaville 707/446-4131	24 Art Douglas Plumbing Heating Fresno 559/222-5306	27 DanKat Industries Norco 951/315-3905	27 The Lucky Greek Riverside 951/737-3162
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				52 Two Gunners Custom Iron Penn Valley 530/263-8071
				52 Wild Fire Construction North San Juan 530/292-3220



Los Angeles County - Local #01-Reg#8

Sporty Milligan 3rd Sun-9 AM
1616 4th St Elk's Lodge #2098
San Fernando 10137 E. Commerce
818/ 361-8800 Tujunga, CA 91042

Simi Valley - Local #02-Reg#8

Steamer Arsnow 2nd Tues 7:30 PM
661/251-8360 VFW Post#10049
4242 E Los Angeles Ave.
Simi Valley

Thousand Oaks-Local#03/13-Reg#7

Chuck Pedersen 3rd Thurs - 7:00 PM
Thousand Oaks Elks Lodge
805/496-0323 158 N Conejo School
Thousand Oaks

San Diego County - Local #06-Reg#12

Snowman 1st Sun - 12 Noon
C/O Boozefighters M/C Kate Sessions Park
P O Box 501946 Pacific Beach
San Diego CA 92150
619/855-9981

Orange County - Local #08-Reg#11

Daniel Pfaffly 2nd Mon.7:30PM
American Legion #354
8071 Whitaker
714/649-2516 Buena Park

South Orange County - Local #09-Reg#11

Cory Toroian Meets with L#20
949/496-2936

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

Dan Buse 2nd Sun - 11 AM
buse13@att.net American Legion #149
760/807-7294 230 E Park Ave
Escondido

Ventura County - Local #03/13-Reg#7

David Blackburn Meet with L#3
805/402-3943

Alameda County Local#14-Reg#3

Houdini 1st Wed 7:30 PM
510/575-1500 The Florence
37349 Niles Blvd., Fremont

Contra Costa County - Local #15-Reg#3

Meet with L#17

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

Glenn Phillips 3rd Sun.- 10:00 AM
P O Box 148 Judy's Wild
Vacaville 95696 Wrangler Saloon
707/624-6310 4826 Midway Rd.
Vacaville CA

Pomona Valley - Local #19-Reg#9

Chris Stowers Next MeetIng
POB 2033 Jan 22th Wed - 7:00 PM
Rancho Cucamonga Round Table Pizza
1020 N Mountain
Ontario, CA 91729
909/525-6950

Orange County - Local #20-Reg#11

Gill Mellen 2nd Tues - 7:00 PM
2104 Continental Ave. American Legion
Costa Mesa 92627 5646 Corporate Ave.
949/632-9787 Cypress CA 90630



ABATE MEETINGS

Antelope Valley - Local #21-Reg#13

Ron Sundquist 2nd Thurs - 7:00 PM
37230 52nd St. East AV Roadhouse
Palmdale 93552 320 W Ave J2
661/586-5555 Lancaster 93534
ron.sundquist@sbcglobal.net

South Bay - Local #22-Reg#11

Suzanne Palmiere 2nd Thurs - 7:30 PM
310/245-0543 Chowder Barge
611 N. Henry Ford Ave.
suzpalmiere@aol.com Wilmington 90744

San Bernardino - Local#23-Reg#9

Kevin Sorrell 1st Sun 9:00 AM
909/793-1112 Vicky's Restaurant
502 S Waterman Ave
San Bernardino CA

Fresno - Local#24-Reg#6

Doug Biggerstaff 2nd Tues. 7:00 PM
559/222-5306 Yosemite Falls Cafe'
Shaw & Blackstone, Fresno

Sacramento - Local#25-Reg#2

Lil' David Morena 3rd Thurs - 7:00 PM
916/616-9605 Denny's
3520 Auburn Blvd.
Sacramento 95821

Riverside - Local#27-Reg#9

Greg Covell 1st Tues - 7:00 PM
P.O. Box 7070 American Legion
Riverside CA 92513 2979 Dexter Dr
951/522-3434 (in Fairmont Park)
www.abatelocal27.org Riverside, CA 92513

Morongo Basin - Local#29-Reg#10

Marty Rapp 2nd - Thurs - 6:30 PM
P.O. Box 2334 Odd # Months
29 Palms CA 92277 Call Marty for Location
760/367-1694

North Valley - Local #31-Reg#2

Larry James 2nd Tues - 7:00 PM
Last Call Lounge
530/893-4827 876 East Ave. Chico

Yuba City - Local #33-Reg#2

Steve Katen 3rd Thurs. - 7:PM
530/749-1003 American Legion
5477 Feather River Blvd.
Olivehurst

Imperial Valley - Local#38-Reg#12

Bob Brown Last Thurs - 7:00 PM
616 Tangerine Dr Puerto Nuevo Restaurant
El Centro, CA 92243 201 N Imperial Ave
760/352-7995 El Centro

Bakersfield - Local#40-Reg#6

V.P. Robert Zamora 3rd Tues. 7:00 PM
661/330-9366 Rusty's Pizza
5430 Olive Dr
Bakersfield 93308

High Desert - Local#44-Reg#13

George Butterfield 2nd Sat. 9:30 am
P.O. Box 3094 Eagles Order #4181
Victorville CA 92392 16195 Main St
760/954-1227 Hesperia 92345

Barstow - Local #47-Reg#13

Yermo Eddy Meet with L#44
PO Box 521
Yermo CA 92398
760/254-3833 or 760/953-7353

Grass Valley - Local#52-Reg#2

Craig Griswold 3rd Wed - 6:30 PM
21183 State Hwy 20 Alta Sierra
Penn Valley Pizza & Grill'
530/263-8071 15690 Johnson Place
Grass Valley

Ridgecrest - Local #58-Reg#13

Dave Cornelius Meet with Local#44
760/447-4342

Regions With Local info:

Region 2: Director Lil' David Morena
25, 31, 33 & 52.
Region 3: 14, 15 & 17.
Region 6: Director Ed Rogers
24 & 40.
Region 7: Director - Vacant
3/13 & 3/13.
Region 8: Director Tom Lubbers
1 & 2.
Region 9: 19, 23, & 27
Region 10: Director Vacant
29.
Region 11: Director Gill Mellen
8, 9, 20 & 22.
Region 12: Director Dave Connors
6, 11 & 38.
Region 13: Director Yermo Eddy
21, 44, 47 & 58.

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