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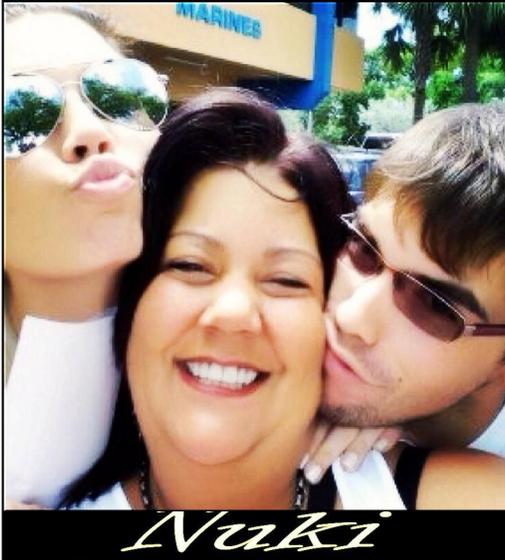
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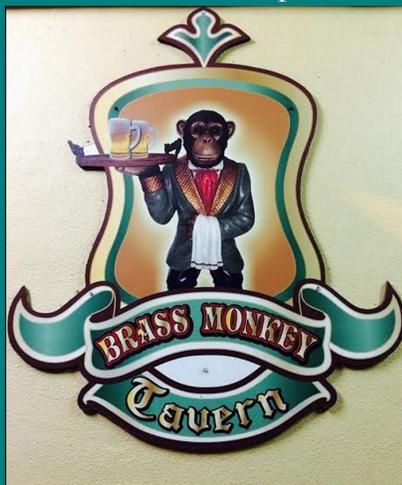
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OUR GOALS

To become a powerful and viable political force in legislative matters concerning the motorcyclist.
To promote the safe riding habits without infringing on individual freedoms.
To motivate the bikers to write letters to legislators before, during, and after the legislative session.
To furnish a newsletter to keep all bikers informed in regards to upcoming legislation.

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When you become a member of ABATE OF FLORIDA, INC. you are helping make a difference in the ongoing mission to protect your right to ride and enjoy the motorcycle of your choice, your choice of riding apparel, and when and where you can ride a motorcycle. These are issues that are real and present in today's "protect yourself from yourself" political environment. This holds true for all levels of government. There will always be those who see our love for motorcycling as a negative and will try any means to control and if possible prohibit motorcycle use.

On the local level our members get out the vote and support candidates who are sympathetic to our issues. We also will endeavor to lobby local governments whenever there are issues that need to be addressed, affecting local motorcycle use, ownership, and any discrimination that may result from said use of ownership.

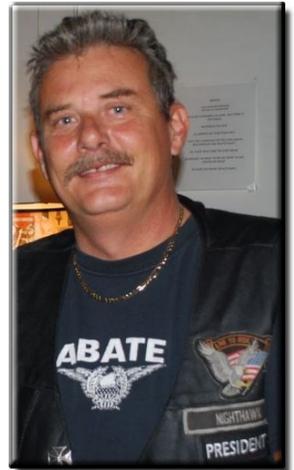
At the state level we have a paid registered lobbyist who regularly visits our state capital in Tallahassee to lobby our legislators on the issues concerning the motorcycling public in Florida. He also finds reliable House and Senate sponsors for the bills we support. On the national level we are aligned with Motorcycle Riders Foundations (MRF), and the National Coalition of Motorcyclists (NCOM), along with several other international motorcycle rights organizations (MRO's).

As one can see we have our ear to the ground and our resolve tempered like steel. As Americans we have had it demonstrated to us time and again the vigilance is armor of free men and women. We shall not let the armor rust or weaken. With your support we can re-enforce and strengthen the armor for now and generations to come. What else do you get with your membership? All members receive with their paid membership, the *Masterlink* Newsletter, Membership Card, Event Discounts and Updates, Voting Privileges, Free *Masterlink* Classified Advertisements, a Chapter Newsletter, and a free \$4,000 Accidental Death or Dismemberment Insurance Policy from the American Income Life Insurance Company.

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President's Message "Nighthawk"

This August has been a very busy and very sad month too. I'm going to start off with some bad news. If you haven't heard our girl Nuki, ABATE member and proud property of Chino with the M.O.B. MC lost her battle to survive her heart condition. Surgery didn't go well and she didn't pull through. My condolences go out to Chino and all the family. I'd like to thank all those that came out to attend the funeral services in Miami. It was truly appreciated by the family. The fund raising event will still be taking place at the Brass Monkey on September 13, unfortunately the money is now needed for expenses incurred with her loss. Please come out for a good time and a good cause. Brass Monkey is located on Lake Worth Rd a block east of the Turnpike behind the Mobil station.



Now so more bad news. The ABATE campground for Bike Week in Daytona has been cancelled! I personally am not happy to hear that news. I have attended the campground for many years and always had a good time! At the State meeting in Arcadia the campground was discussed and that we were going to have it for one more year due to contract obligations but that it had become a money loser last year. A week later I got an email from State saying the campground was cancelled. That the State was able to get us out of the last year of the contract with no cost. Where was the chapters input on that decision? Now I'm not necessarily saying that was a bad move BUT I believe the chapters should have had a vote on it. Oh and for those that attended the Five Star event at the Peace River Campground where the State meeting was held, thanks for coming out. We had a great time at the campground and who knew 5 bikers in a golf cart on ATV trails could be so much fun! The Five Star Event had a very low turnout but the State meeting was well attended and we had a fun time regardless.

Next thing I need to talk about is the "Save the Patch" Fund Raising that's happening. This has to do with the Mongols MC and their club colors and the government's trying to take it away. Now I'm simplifying a very complicated issue and you need to read more about it both here in the newsletter, online etc. But basically the Mongols won the first round at huge legal expenses to them, but now Uncle Sam is going to appeal with his unlimited legal team. So we all know Uncle Sam has most of everyone's money to use as he sees fit so who knows how long and how expensive a legal battle this is going to be. Anyways you may say well that's not our problem, nobody's going to take our ABATE patch away from us! Maybe. MAYBE NOT! It could be another slippery slope of loss of another right. Just because a group of people wear a patch and ride together does not make them criminals or even unpatriotic! But the government seems to think that's the case and if they don't like what you're about they'll come after everyone that wears your shared patch. Anyway pay attention to this issue and PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING YOUR DONATIONS TO THE SEPTEMBER CHAPTER MEETING OR GIVE TO ME OR SNOOZE.

Next up I'd like to bitch about the low turnout at the events and open houses lately but I won't. I see this happen every summer. I know a lot of you can't handle getting rained on or busting a sweat in the Florida heat and I understand that if it rains your bike might get dirty and you'll have a bad hair day. Thankfully we have a few members that care enough to show to maintain our presence in the community and realize how important that is.

As always, make sure you're on the email and text alert systems to know what's happening. Well until next month, ride safe and watch your asses out there.

Ed "Nighthawk" Lattari President ABATE Palm Beach
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UPCOMING Group Fun Rides/Event Schedule

September 1 Monday NEW! Boonies Bike Night! ABATE PBC Safety and Info Table at Boonies on Southern Blvd in Loxahatchee Groves just west of Royal Palm Beach.

September 13 Saturday Memorial Benefit for Nuki Crespo featuring Elegant Mess and Soulicide!!! ABATE PBC Safety and Info Table Being held at the Brass Monkey! Starts at 5pm. Brass Monkey is located at 7781 Lake Worth Road. Just east of the Turnpike behind Mobil. This should be an awesome event for a good cause. Really good food. Best Monkey Burger in town! Please help out after the loss of one of our own ABATE PBC members

September 18-21 Petersons Key West Poker Run

September 20 Saturday BLACK PISTONS MC Annual Group Fun Ride ABATE PBC Safety and Info Table

October 11 and 12 ABATE of Florida State meeting, SPOOKS AND SCOOTS

October 16 through 19 Daytona Biketoberfest

October 26 Sunday ABATE PBC Chapter meeting then:

October 26 Sunday Alternative MC Annual Group Fun Ride ABATE PBC Safety and Info Table

REMINDER: EVERY

Monday Night is MOB OF BROTHERS MC OPEN HOUSE

Tuesday Night is LONE LEGION MC OPEN HOUSE

Wednesday Night is STATES MC OPEN HOUSE

Thursday Night is BLACK PISTONS MC OPEN HOUSE

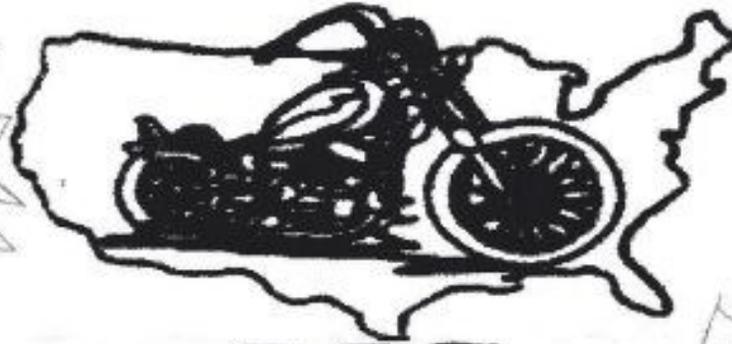
Friday Night is AOA OPEN HOUSE

Saturday Night is FLY-IN WHEELS MC OPEN HOUSE

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Vice President's Message - Ken "Snooze" Gerecke

Well another month has past and its time for another vice presidents message.

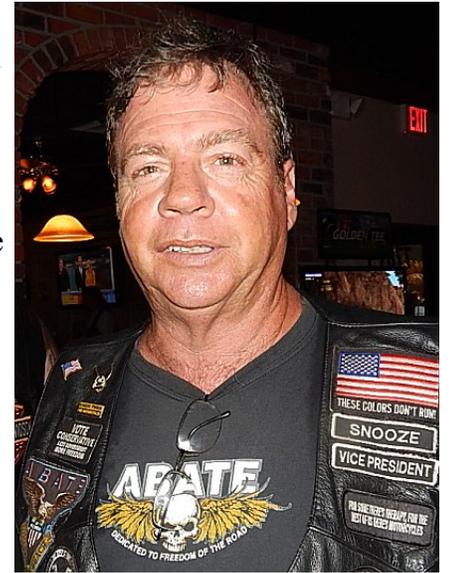
First I would like to thank all those who show their support for ABATE and the local MCs by coming out on our rides and attending the open houses. Also I would like to thank all those who attended the funeral services for Nuki Crespo. Nuki was an ABATE Palm Beach member as well as a member of the Mob of Brothers MC. Nuki was a very special person and was loved by all that knew her. I know she will be missed by everyone that knew her. The Mob of Brothers will be having a memorial event at the Brass Monkey in west Lake Worth on the 13th of September. Please come out and support our fallen sister . It should be a good time for a great cause.

This summer has been unusually hot hasn't it or is it just me? I don't know but we have managed to keep riding despite the scorching temperature the rain every afternoon.

We could always use a few more members to show up and ride with us. So as always, watch for e-mails and text alerts so you know what's going on.

Ride safe everyone !

SNOOZE



Monthly Safety Blurb. Bill Black

Once again, another wet and windy month almost over.

The wife and I went up for the 5 Star Chapter Outing at Arcadia. The campground was nice, but the events program left much to be desired. Also it got rained on quite a bit (glad we stayed at the hotel). Our tent might not have made it through the weekend.

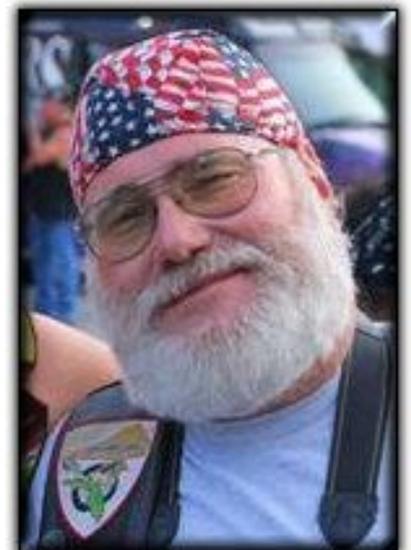
We went over to the State Meeting, hoping to get our MSAP Certificates. Charlie got hers, but mine got lost somehow. I suppose I will have to wait for the next State Meeting to (I hope) get mine. Her Patch came in the mail, so she will be happy.

Speaking of Safety.....Don't forget with all this rain that the roads are slippery as hell. The oil from the Cages driving during the summer soaked into the ground. So, when it rains, that crap comes back up to the surface. making it not friendly for you know who.!!! Also watch out for the crazy cagers that drive with no lights during the rain spells.



Editor's 2 Cents — Slo Motion

I have to thank Dennis "Data" for all his input. Last month an article and story lead. This month TWO articles and story leads. He wrote an great article on the issues with gasoline-ethanol mix. Gives a greater meaning to the support we should give the AMA (American Motorcycle Association} support in their fight against the higher ethanol mix. I even asked Larry, ABATE legal council, if there might be cause for a consumer class action law suite against the EPA and I could see the wheels moving in his head.





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By Data

The other day, I rode my bike home in the rain and put it in the garage. The next morning, as I got ready to leave, it cranked but wouldn't start. When I rode it home the night before, it seemed fine, but then it wouldn't start the next morning. After several minutes of cranking, the engine finally hit and eventually started. If my battery and starter could talk, they'd have a few choice words for me, but at least the engine was running.

This kind of starting problem is getting more and more common these days. Especially with older bikes that still use carburetors.

Here's why. Bikes that have carburetors are usually vented to the atmosphere. So if you took a carburetted bike and hung it upside down, gas would drip out. A modern fuel injected bike uses a sealed fuel system so that hanging it upside down will not drip gas.

When the older bikes were manufactured, there wasn't any significant problem with having the fuel system vented to the air. Back then, gasoline was pure and had no ethanol in it. Because gasoline won't mix with water, humid air was not a problem. Nowadays, ethanol is bad news for older bikes.

Pure ethanol will mix with both gasoline and water, but **not at the same time**. Ethanol, it turns out, has an affinity for water. So if a gasoline-ethanol mix comes into contact with water or humid air, the ethanol will break out of solution with the gasoline and combine with the water.

This resultant ethanol-water solution is heavier than gasoline so it settles to the bottom of the tank and carburetor bowls. That's right where the jet pickup tubes are located. The result is that since the bike can't burn water, starting is impossible until the water is removed – either through draining or cranking.

To make matters worse, while fuel filters can filter out water, they usually can't filter out ethanol-water solutions. So this non-fuel simply passes right through them and into the carburetors.



Water and gas dont mix.

Now if you have a fuel injected bike you are probably a lot better off, but you might not get away scott-free. On my fuel injected bike, I had to find a sealer that would seal the threads on the gasoline fittings. RTV and teflon tape dissolve in gasoline in case you were thinking that. I finally found this stuff called "Permatex Aviation Form-a-Gasket Sealer" which is impervious to gasoline. Worked great. For a few months anyway. Turns out, while the stuff is totally impervious to gasoline, ethanol dissolves it away. It took that 10% ethanol a few months, but it did finally eat away the seal and the bike started leaking fuel. That's a big problem when you are talking about a 45 psi fuel line spraying your leg with gasoline while you are going down the road.

Then there are the rubber fuel lines. Back when I was trying to figure out why my bike was having starting problems, I pulled the carburetors off and found black flakes in the float bowls. Turns out, those black flakes were coming from the inside of the rubber fuel line hose. So that had to be replaced with an ethanol resistant fuel hose. The factory hose was not ethanol resistant.

Now finally, you might think that I have everything solved so that I can just use regular E10 gas, but that isn't the case. With all the heavy rains, the humidity is causing more starting problems and there isn't any practical way to convert the bike to a sealed fuel system. So I finally gave in, bit the bullet, and now I'm putting only **ethanol free gas** in my bike. No more starting problems.

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Sometimes you see it advertised as either **REC90 or REC87**. Around here, REC87 is pretty much non-existent, but you can find it at some stations in North Florida. There are a few, very few, stations in Palm Beach County that sell REC90 and all of those stations charge a premium. The average cost over regular is about 90 cents. I made a chart showing where they all are in case anybody else wants ethanol-free gas.

All REC90 gasoline sold in Florida is made by Marathon and all REC87 gasoline is made by Valero. I was unable to find any stations selling REC87.

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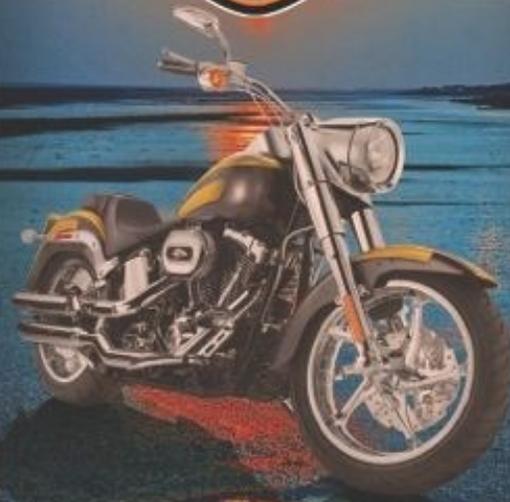
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DELEGATE REPORT

Ken "Snooze"
Gerecke



Well its late August and time for another delegates' report. The August state meeting was hosted by the Peace River chapter in Arcadia. The 5 star party at the campground turned out to be a 5 star flop but those who went still managed to have a good time anyway. I got to be the first to try out the new ABATE chapter trailer thanks to quiet Dan who hauled both our bikes up there in it. I have to say the new trailer really works out well as a toy hauler and as a camper. Well worth the money, time and effort we put into it.

As far as the state meeting went the Peace River chapter did an awesome job hosting the meeting. We found out that for bike week we will not be using the ABATE campground next year due to the fact that ABATE of Florida has been losing money on so we won't be able to camp there as usual. The next state meeting will be in Brooksville, hosted by the Hillsborough chapter along with Spooks n' Scoots. If you have never been to this one you are missing out! We camp out, they have a band, plenty of vendors, good on site food deals, drinks, always a good time.

For those who plan on going to the freedom rights rally in Tallahassee next year in April 11th, 12th, 13th, there will be no free camping at the KOA. So you have to do your own deal if stay there. We will be staying at the Super 8 in Monticello. The ride to the capital will be leaving from there on Monday the 13th

I am very proud to report that ABATE Palm Beach chapter was awarded with special recognition for highest percentage of growth for May 2014 and most new members May 2014.

Our lobbyist Doc is working hard on this mandatory helmet law thing some are trying to push thru. He has made it top priority to stop this from happening. Let's hope he is successful. You can help by calling your local legislative representatives and letting them know who we are and what we stand for.

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Snooze

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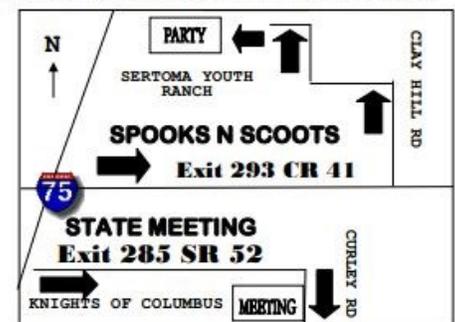
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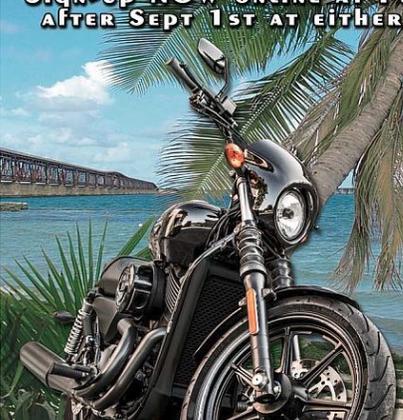
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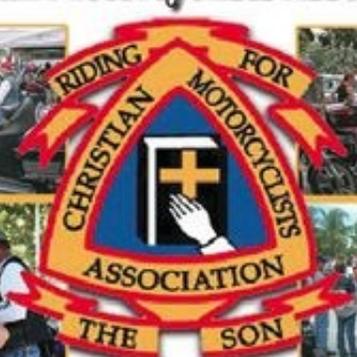
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Wed Island Jack's Bike Night

Wed States MC Lake Worth Open House 8pm

Wed Chit Chat's bike nite 7pm Free BBQ, music

1st Thurs Renegades Bike Night

3rd Thurs H-D Palm Bch Bike Nite 5-10PM

Thurs Dinner 6:30 States MC Pompano Clubhouse

Thurs Black Pistons MC WPB Open House

Fri Outlaws MC WPB Open House at 7PM

1st Fri Soldiers for Jesus Open House 7-10PM

1st Fri Enforcers MC Party

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Treasure Coast Presidents Council 2014 Calendar of Events

SEPTEMBER

13 Alternatives MC off annual
19-21 Key West Poker Run
27 FLNY MC party
28 Fiasco Brothers MC off annual

OCTOBER

5 Rough Riders MC annual
16-19 Daytona Biketoberfest

NOVEMBER

2 AOA TC annual
30 USMV MC TOY RUN

DECEMBER

7 SFPC TOY RUN
20 SFLCOC Christmas party
21 Calvary Chapel Christmas Service

United Bikers Council of Palm Beach Co. Events

SEPTEMBER

19-21 Petersons Key West Poker Run

OCTOBER

16 through 19 Daytona Biketoberfest

26 Sun. Alternative MC Annual

DECEMBER

09 2014 UBCPB Christmas Party
13 Outcast Event
20 Annual Sportsbike End of Year Black and White Party

SEPTEMBER

7th SOUTHERN MC - TEDDY BEAR RUN
13th OUTCAST MC - PARTY
14th STATES MC - KEY WEST TUNE UP PARTY
19th-21st PETERSONS KEY WEST POKER RUN
28th KELTS MC - PARTY

OCTOBER

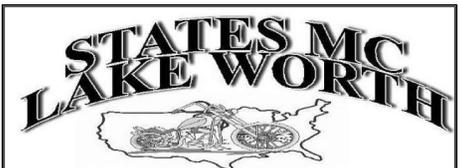
4th MYSTIC SEVEN - ANNUAL
11th NEW ATTITUDES MC - ANNUAL
12th S.E. ABATE - ANNUAL
16th-19th DAYTONA BIKETOBERFEST
25 WHEELS OF MAN MC HALLOWEEN PARTY

NOVEMBER

8th USMV MC CHAP 1 ANNUAL
9th CMA - MEMORIAL EVENT
15th HEATHENS MC - ANNUAL

DECEMBER

7th SFPC TOYS IN THE SUN RUN
13th PETERSONS TOY RUN BIKE DRAWING
13th HERMANDAD MC - ALFREDO MEMORIAL AND TOY RUN
14th WINGS OF GOLD MC MIAMI - TOY RUN
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THURSDAY, JULY 24, 2014

Queen of the road: Gloria Struck, 89, matriarch of female motorcyclists

By Christopher Maag Hackensack (N.J.) Record

This summer, to celebrate her 89th birthday, Gloria Tramontin Struck of Clifton, New Jersey will ride her blue Harley-Davidson 1,700 miles to Sturgis, South Dakota. There she knows she will be treated like a queen, a celebrity, a legend. Grown men will beg to have their pictures taken by her side.

When the annual Sturgis Motorcycle Rally is over, many of those men will strap their motorcycles onto trailers and drive away in the comfort of their air-conditioned, leather-seated, globally positioned pickup trucks.

Struck will point her Harley toward New Jersey and ride 1,700 miles home.

"We do not trailer bikes," Struck said. "We ride."

Few people walking around today can trace their lives back to the early days of American motorcycling. Even fewer of them still ride. Struck, who was born in an apartment behind a motorcycle shop in Clifton in 1925, is known by Harley aficionados around the country as a rare living connection to the days when few people rode motorcycles cross-country, and women barely rode at all.

"Gloria is the matriarch of women riders," said Kathy McKenzie, general sales manager of Chester's, an enormous Harley-Davidson dealership in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. In May, the dealership paid to fly Struck to Florida so she could speak to an all-female group of young bikers and women.

"Women were supposed to stay home, they weren't supposed to speak unless they were spoken to," McKenzie said of the way things were in 1941, when Struck started riding as a teenager. "They sure weren't supposed to get out and ride their own motorcycle and make their own path."

A photo in Struck's family album finds her at age 2 1/2, tightening a loose nut on a motorcycle.

"I never forgot the feeling I had at that moment," she said. "I was so proud of myself."

A few months later, her father, Ernest, died in a motorcycle accident. As a child she never wanted to ride, not from fear of what happened to her father, but because riding a motorcycle was a bold pastime for a shy girl.

Her older brother decided she should ride anyway, and so she did. Five years later, in 1946, she joined the Motor Maids, one of the earliest motorcycle clubs for women.

And she rode against the prevailing sentiments of the time, which held that only bad girls rode motorcycles. A gas station attendant refused to sell her gas along the way, and a motel refused to let her stay the night.

"People thought women on motorcycles were tramps. I hadn't even had my first date and I was called a tramp," she said.

Struck started riding on a 1941 Indian Bonneville Scout. Since then, she's owned two more Indians and 11 Harleys. Some she loved more than others, including the Riviera Blue Harley she rode from Toronto to Montreal in 1950. The trip was considered so unique at the time that Harley-Davidson Enthusiast magazine ran a full-page story about it, with pictures, two years after it happened.

Her current bike is a 2004 Heritage Soft Tail Classic. Unlike so many modern Harleys, it is not a trophy bike, polished to a blinding shine and trotted out on weekends for showing off. It has black studded leather saddlebags that sag from use, a scuff on the windshield inflicted last summer by an errant truck tire that came bouncing down a highway and nearly cut Struck's head off. The odometer reads 49,655 miles.

"We rode 835 miles one day when I was 87 years old," Struck said. Now she rides only in the company of her daughter, Lori DeSilva, who pilots her own Harley Electra Glide Ultra Classic. "We don't fool around," Struck added.

Her daughter prefers to ride slowly and obey local speed limits. This drives Struck crazy. When she can't take it anymore, Struck pulls alongside and kicks DeSilva's motorcycle with her foot. Then she twists her own throttle and speeds off down the highway.

Struck, who once stood 5-foot-5, has shrunk with age to an even 5 feet, and she weighs 125 pounds. Her bike weighs 700. She is in no way intimidated.

"She's not a large woman. But she rides better than a lot of men I know," McKenzie said.

Struck has become accustomed to people marveling about her age. It's been going on for a quarter-century. In her photo album she keeps a 1991 story from what was then called the Herald & News about a certain gray-haired, Harley-riding grandma from Clifton. Since then, she's become a great-grandmother and an octogenarian.

And still she refuses to stop. Two years ago, Struck woke up the morning of her annual trip to Daytona to find the ground covered in snow. So she grabbed a shovel and cleared a path – just wide enough for a full-sized Harley – halfway down the block.

The 89 year old Struck has certain standards. For example, she can't envision a day when, like other older riders, she switches to an easier-to-control three-wheel Harley.

"My goal is to keep riding on two wheels until I'm 100," she said. "Anybody can do that on three wheels."

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Makes me feel proud that my bike is more dusty than shiny.



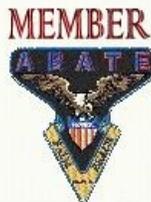
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LEGISLATIVE REPORT

DAN "SLOW-MOTION" HENDERSON

At the State meeting there was some talk about helmet law talk. Darrin "Scribe" (Legislative) asked us to keep our eyes open for any media reports so we can respond. With "Doc" Reichenbach at NCOM we will be informed of any national helmet activity and as our lobbyist you know he will be on top of it! In his Florida Lobbyist report he said our goals for this year's sessions will be: stiffer penalties again, safety money, Drivers Education, biker discrimination, and getting ABATE to do motorcycle rider training.

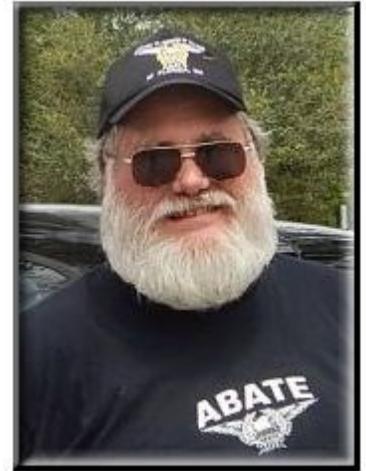
Everyone should know it is election time. Primaries are done so next month we will review the candidates. Hope to have the lobbyist's list for the biker friendly ones as in past plus my opinions and please contribute any thought or experiences you have. While ABATE cannot support nor back any candidate but can inform of those friendly to our causes in past. I know I am fed up with all the Governor mudslinging but there is not a good third choice. I do remember it was Rick Scott who cut our safety money out of the budget at the last moment 3 years ago and set a precedent that has kept it from us.

Big push for driver's ed course at schools

You know this caught my attention when I saw it on the cover on the July 30 West Boca Forum (one of those Sun Sentinel local small newspapers) when leaving the school I work at. I emailed the author but never heard back so here is a summery. It starts with (my) State Rep. Irv Slosberg's story of losing one of his twin daughters in an auto accident back in 1996. I knew the girls from when I worked at Boca Middle school. It talks about him and the living daughter visiting a summer course at Boca High and about the Dori Slosberg Driver's Education Safety Act <http://www.flsenate.gov/Laws/Statutes/2011/318.1215> and the Foundation <http://dorislosberg.org/>

I got some information from this story. The Palm Beach County School District offers the course at 12 of the 23 high schools during the year besides in summer school. Schools include Boca Raton High, Olympic Heights HS, and West Boca HS during the year and Spanish River and Lake Worth after school. While District instructors teach the class, drivers are supplied by the Safety Council of Palm Beach County Behind the Wheel Course <http://safetycouncilpbc.org/behind-the-wheel-course-for-students/>. So with this I can not see the argument of a mandatory program costing too much as :

Option One: Enroll in Driver Education at your public high school, and you will take the Behind the Wheel Course during your class time. Thanks to the Dori Slosberg Bill, wide community support, Maroone Dealerships, Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office and the School District of Palm Beach County this program can be offered during the school year.



Option Two: Enroll in a summer school Driver Education Course at high schools in Palm Beach County.

Option Three: Safe Performance Drivers Education System Classroom Course. Duration of course is six weeks and the cost is \$450.00. Available through out the year. Contact the Safety Council for dates & times.

The Legend of The Bell

By Gadget Man Manson (Note: Enhanced From The Thunder Press Editorial)

Have you noticed that small bell on some people's motorcycle and wondered why it was there? You can find them in America on most of the Harley Davidson's ridden by seasoned riders. It can be found low on the bike close to the road, which has some importance in itself. It's more than just decoration-it has a specific function.

As we all know, life has many mysteries that have no apparent solutions. One of these is Evil Road Spirits. The legend is said to come from the orient where Evil Road Spirits plagued travelers with their mischief. Today, these little gremlins can attach themselves to your bike. They love to ride. They're also responsible for most of your bike's problems. Sometimes your turn signals refuse to work, or the battery goes dead, the clutch needs adjustment, or any of several hundred other things go wrong. Lose bolts and parts falling off the bike while on the road are just a few of the signs that you have an Evil Road Spirit.

It is said that Road Spirits can't live in the presence of a bell. The legend has it that they get trapped in the hollow of the bell. Or that their hearing is supersensitive and the constant ringing of the bell and/or the confined space drives them insane. They lose their grip and eventually fall to the roadway. The legend has it that they have so much evil energy that when they fall to the roadway they cause potholes when they hit. This is evidence that the bell has served its purpose. In the orient these bells were placed on the lowest part of the cart so that when the Evil Spirit falls from the vehicle, it falls directly on the roadway, and cannot bounce and reattach itself to another part of the vehicle or someone else's vehicle.

If you have picked up a bell of your own, the magic will work but only to a fraction of its ability. It is then essential that a friend or acquaintance give you a bell. The power of the bell is even more enhanced if a well-seasoned traveler gives it to you. In this way the power of the bell is doubled. Part of the power enhancement comes from the experience of the traveler that gives it to you. Some of the givers travel experience is transferred with the bell and provides additional security to your travels. It is said to have the effect of preventing rain or providing excellent road conditions. That is why a more experienced traveler giving you a bell, has more power than a less experience friend or traveling companion. But whether from an experienced traveler, or just a buddy, friend, or acquaintance, it is agreed, that having a bell is a must for any traveler.

So, if you have a friend that doesn't have a bell, why not be the person to give them one? It's a nice feeling for the recipient to know you personally cared. And when you do, pass along the Legend Of The Bell. In this way they will understand it's importance, and will pass the good fortune and safe travels to others.

(Note: The bell, plus a good preventive maintenance program by the bike's owner, will go a long way in keeping the Evil Road Spirits away for all of your travels.)

http://www.tmsquared.com/Legend_of_the_Bells.htm

So if you missed the August Chapter meeting you missed this as there is a new ABATE product, our own Spirit Bell. It has the State logo and a saying on it, comes in a nice velvet bag with logo (good for other little items) and is well priced at under \$10. Place orders with Charlie Black our Products Trustee so can pick up at October State meeting. They would make great Christmas gifts (hint)

MOTORCYCLE NEWS

I usually like to include the NCOM news here but haven't gotten it again so here are some snippets from my Google Motorcycle Alerts – Dan "Slo Motion" editor

HOW TO SAFELY RIDE A MOTORCYCLE

Here are some precautions to take while operating a motorcycle, from the [Motorcycle Safety Foundation](#).

Be visible: remember that motorists often have trouble seeing motorcycles and reacting in time.

Wear reflective clothing, flash your brake light when slowing or stopping and keep your headlight on all the time.

Dress safely: wear a bright-colored helmet and eye protection; thick, protective clothing; long sleeves and long pants; gloves; and over-the-ankle boots.

Look out: be aware of your surroundings at all times, leave space between you and traffic; avoid weaving; signal your moves in advance; don't speed; and signal your moves in advance.

Know your bike: get formal training and practice driving before you get into traffic. Learn to handle the motorcycle on all sorts of road conditions.

HORMEL MOTORCYCLE IS FUELED BY BACON by [Anthony Domanico@ajdomanico](mailto:Anthony.Domanico@ajdomanico) August 15, 2014

To promote the upcoming International Bacon Film Festival in San Diego, Hormel made a motorcycle that runs on bacon grease, and emits a lovely bacon smell in the exhaust. The motorcycle itself gets between 75 and 100 miles per gallon of fuel, and the exhaust from the bike reportedly fills the air with a mouth-watering bacon smell. We can only hope that converting bacon grease to biofuel becomes a thing, because who could really get upset sitting in traffic with everyone's nostrils filled with that beautiful bacon smell? For full story and video - <http://www.cnet.com/news/like-america-hormel-motorcycle-is-fueled-by-bacon/> and <http://www.bromygod.com/2014/08/15/first-motorcycle-powered-bacon/>

SELECT YOUR MOTORCYCLE OIL WISELY August 15, 2014 by madmoto

It often makes me laugh, or maybe it is cry. People go out and buy an expensive motorcycle, fit it out with lots of expensive accessories, and then buy expensive matching clothing, helmets, boots and other fine items. Then when they need to top up the oil, they buy the cheapest oil they can find.

It is a bit like a NASA rocket launch failing because of a 10 cent component. Oil is what makes your motorcycle run smoothly, and putting in oil that is not meant for your bike is making sure that you will have a problem later on.

Just think about it. Every motorcycle model is different. Different in engine size, cylinder compression, cooling and a same motorcycle that lives in the desert is going to be different from one that live up North in Canada. Every aspect dictates what kind of oil you need to use. Your owner manual will tell you what kind of viscosity you need to use, but they will tell you a range. The viscosity will be determined as mentioned above on the displacement, the cylinder-head compression, horsepower, the kind of cooling used and most importantly, at what kind of revs your bike's engine will run (you can understand that a motorcycle that runs at 12,000 rpm will need different oil than one that runs at 3,000 rpm).

The only thing you need to take into account, is the outside temperature and if your bike remains inactive for long periods of time. The viscosity grades are ranged from 0 to 60 (with 0 being the lowest viscosity). If you find the letter "W" after the grade, this implies that the oil can be used during the winter.

The other choice you can make, but you will need to read your owner's manual attentively, is whether you use regular/mineral based oil, or synthetic. This can depend on the engine and the manufacturer, but often they will leave the choice up to you.

But whatever you select, select wisely. The last thing you will want is having your expensive motorcycle engine seize up while riding the freeway at 70 mph.

NETHERLANDS: YOU THOUGHT YOUR MOTORCYCLE WAS SAFE FROM BEING STOLEN?

You got to admit, if you park your motorcycle at night, to make sure no one steals your ride, you chain it to a reasonably big tree. Sounds good hey? Sounds like you will be quite sure that when you come to get your motorcycle the following morning that it will still be there. But not in the case of this biker. In The Hague the rider came back in the morning and found this;



So even if you chain it to a tree, thieves just saw the tree. Nothing is safe.

MOTORCYCLE – MOOSE CRASH IN NORTHWEST EDMONTON

A moose appeared no worse for wear after it was hit by a motorcycle in northwest Edmonton but the biker was badly hurt.

The crash happened just after ten at night when the motorcyclist saw the moose just before impact and had time to lay down the bike in a failed attempt to avoid a collision. The middle age man was taken to hospital with multiple but non life threatening injuries to his head, neck and one arm.

The moose left the scene of the accident but a moose was spotted later by Air One using the see through the dark night scope. It appeared to be walking normally and didn't seem to be injured.

MOTORCYCLE RIDER HOSPITALIZED AFTER HITTING A DEER

A man from Oklahoma was injured in a motorcycle accident just after 9 p.m. on Friday in Decatur County. The Kansas Highway Patrol reported a 2010 Harley Davidson driven by David W. Wright, 60. McAlester, OK., was eastbound on Kansas 9 eight miles east of the Kansas 123 Junction. A deer entered the roadway from the south. The motorcycle struck the deer and overturned. Wright was transported to Norton County Hospital.

US SAFETY AGENCY PROBES CAN-AM MOTORCYCLE FIRES

DETROIT —Associated Press. U.S. safety regulators are investigating two reports of fires in Can-Am Spyder three-wheeled motorcycles. The probe covers about 52,000 motorcycles from the 2008 through 2014 model years. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration says in documents posted Friday that the fires appear to be unrelated to three recalls of the motorcycles. One Spyder was destroyed last month in a fire while being used by the Morgantown, West Virginia, Police Department. Another burned in the Mojave Desert region of California. The safety agency says it will look into what caused the fires. Investigations can lead to recalls. The motorcycles are made by Bombardier Recreational Products Inc. of Canada. Messages were left seeking comment from the company. The Morgantown police, in a July 23 complaint to NHTSA, said an officer was riding the Spyder on a city street and felt heat rising from beneath the motorcycle. The officer saw flames coming from the engine and moved it to the side of the road. "Within seconds the vehicle was fully engulfed and flames caught a yard and two nearby trees on fire," the complaint said. The Fire Department and a city mechanic determined that the fuel system was the source of the blaze, the complaint said. No one was injured in either fire, but the police motorcycle was a total loss.

The three recalls happened in 2012 and 2013, and all involved the risk of fires. Last year, the company recalled about 8,200 Spyderys because brake fluid leaks could cause fires. In 2012 it recalled about 34,000 because fuel vapors could leak due to an ill-fitting gas cap. It also recalled 9,600 because fuel vapors could exit a vent hose in the engine compartment.

Motorcycle Bikers vs. Trading Card Collectors: Who Wins in this ‘Packs to the People’ Social Experiment?

By Chris Carlin

As part of Upper Deck’s 25th Anniversary, we are running a social experiment where we are taking packs to the people to show everyday folks what it is like to open up new packs of Upper Deck trading cards. The experience is exponentially different and more exciting than it was when Upper Deck first came on the scene back in 1989. In our first videos, we saw the fun that a youth hockey league and a softball team had opening up packs, but how would a bikers react to trading cards?

We sent our intrepid host Andrew Long up to Cooks Corner in Trabuco Canyon, California for an annual fundraiser where thousands of bikers and motorcycle clubs were on hand to party and enjoy the day. What they didn’t expect was to get the opportunity to open new Upper Deck trading card packs. How would they react? See for yourself!

We want to keep the positive fun of “Packs to the People” going and we encourage fans to share packs with people who haven’t opened trading cards in awhile. Share your experiences with us via email, on Facebook or on Twitter and who knows, you might just get a special Upper Deck Random Acts of Kindness Mail Day for your efforts! And be sure to follow Packs to the People on Twitter (@Packs2daPeople) to see what we have planned next and to also score some prizes!

Harley Wobble: What it is, What it Does and How Dangerous it Can Be

The Harley Wobble—what it is—what it does and how dangerous it can be is something that all riders should be aware of, because this is a problem that can occur on Harley Davidson motorcycles even if they have been dealer maintained. This is not a problem of the bike owner doing improper maintenance or a driver riding wrong, this is a proven defect that has taken on the name “Harley Wobble” or “Death Wobble” and a problem that can be dangerous, since it can cause the rider to lose control of the bike.

Harley Davidson has admitted that the bikes are susceptible to a wobble or weave, which depends on the bikes speed. They also have stated that it does not cause accidents when this occurs and it also happens with other bikes designed by other manufacturers. One last thing that Harley Davidson said is that the wobble problem can also be caused by bike owners adding certain parts and that Harley the owner should follow the owner’s manual.

This problem has been centered on the swing arm, the rear suspension mounting the transmission and engine mounting to the frame of the motorcycle. When the engine has not been constrained between all Cialis three axles it can develop what is termed an elastic relationship between the swing arm and frame.

This problem with Harley Davidson motorcycles can be devastating to riders; the injuries can be severe or even fatal. This motorcycle accident will mean time to heal and damage to the bike, even if the rider was careful on the bike while out riding, because the problem with the “Harley Wobble” will make it impossible to keep control of the bike.

The Harley Wobble—what it is—what it does and how dangerous it can be for the rider is immense, and after an accident of this type the injured rider or the family of a rider that has been fatally injured due to this problem with the bike needs the representation of an experienced motorcycle attorney, but one that is aware of the “Harley Wobble.” This is unlike other motorcycle accidents, because this will include holding Harley Davidson accountable for the obvious problem with their bikes that can cause these types of crashes. This can be a complex lawsuit that will require the experience of a motorcycle accident attorney, with access to experts and also one that understands the mechanics of motorcycle defects.

Gas Price Hikes Mean More Motorcycles on the Road. Are You Properly Covered?

Protect yourself with adequate motorcycle insurance. Motorcycle insurance ensures you have the proper coverage as you ride.

This summer, gas prices are higher on average throughout the country. This has had a negative impact on the amount of driving people are willing to do, especially beyond anything required for work or errands. However, many riders are putting their cars, trucks, and SUVs aside in favor of driving a motorcycle whenever possible to save money on gas. Just like your auto insurance policy, you need to make sure you have the right motorcycle insurance.

Injury Coverage While riding a motorcycle, you are at an increased risk of injury due to the lack of protection. Most riders understand the importance of wearing a helmet, as well as long pants and long sleeves, but they are still riding unprotected. If you are hit or lose your balance, you are likely to experience some injuries, whether they are bruises, broken bones, or worse. Your motorcycle insurance should cover those injuries. However, when someone else is found at fault, their auto insurance may pick up your medical bills.

Repair Coverage In addition to any medical bills associated with your accident, you will likely need repairs to your motorcycle. These bikes can become damaged during an accident more easily than cars. Many of their important components are exposed, increasing the chances of needing more serious repairs. You need to make sure you have the right amount of coverage to pay for the repairs so you can get back on your bike and continue to save money on gas.

Bike Customization Coverage Many motorcycle enthusiasts change the look and power of their motorcycle with customizations. These changes can make the bike worth more, as well as more expensive to restore to its previous condition. If you have added anything to your motorcycle or upgraded any components, talk to your insurance agent right away. These alterations must be scheduled and can have an impact on your premiums. Don't wait until after you have an accident to evaluate whether the coverage you have is enough for the changes you have made.

Motorcycle insurance is just as important as having the right auto insurance. As you consider the coverage you need, make sure you take into consideration injury, liability, and repair payments necessary due to the higher risks in a motorcycle accident. However, you must also consider any bike customizations you make. Driving your motorcycle to and from work, as well as anywhere else, to help you reduce the amount of money you spend on gas can help you save money. Without the right coverage, though, you could be facing even greater expenses if you are involved in an accident, even if it isn't your fault.

2015 INDIAN SCOUT MOTORCYCLE

Most bikes see a design refresh once every few years, so when a company announces a model sporting its first new design in decades, it's worth taking notice. The 2015 Indian Scout Motorcycle is the first all-new Scout in over 70 years, updating the classic "rigid triangle" design with a modern cast aluminum frame that helps to make it the lightest bike in its class. Power comes from a liquid-cooled, 1133cc V-twin engine cranking out 100 hp, which is coupled with a six-speed overdrive transmission and standard ABS. Prepare to hop into the solo tan leather bucket seat later this year.

MOTORCYCLE DOG MAY HAVE SAVED OWNER'S LIFE

ROCKFORD (WIFR) -- We see motorcycles on the road often during the summer but a dog on a motorcycle is unusual. One local dog who prefers to ride, may have saved his owner's life on a motorcycle.

Sammy is a three-year-old Shih-Poo that may not always listen to vocal commands. But once his owner's Harley engine revs, Sammy comes running.

"One day after washing the bike and I was ready to go, I started it up and (Sammy) started rolling in the wind of the exhaust pipes and the more I accelerated, the more he got excited," said owner Rodney Shaw.

Shaw tethers Sammy to his neck on one end and a harness on the other, so the pup can ride too. Shaw says Sammy even saved his life on the motorcycle this summer.

"All of a sudden I just heard an explosion and felt the back of the bike go up. The next thing I know, I was laying back on the bike with Sam jumping around on my chest, that's what brought me back to, I had been knocked unconscious," says Shaw.

Sammy woke up Shaw who was able to avoid crashing into a curb; Shaw says he had been hit by a drunk driver. Shaw says, "Sammy's my hero."

And he may have a chance to be a hero for other people. Sammy is now training to be a therapy dog to eventually visit sick children in the hospital. Shaw would also like to see Sammy work as a Epilepsy service dog. Shaw says both he and Sammy suffer from Epileptic seizures sometimes.

"Just to make the children laugh, he's a comedian, it's pretty fun to watch him walk and do his activities," explains Shaw.

Until then, the 8 pound-pooch will continue to ride into the wind.

Shaw got Sammy from Noah's Ark Animal Sanctuary two years ago. He says he'd like to help raise money for the shelter by giving people envelopes "from Sammy" to send donations to the shelter when they ask about Sammy on the motorcycle.

WOMEN'S MOTORCYCLE CLUB CELEBRATES 35 YEARS

Women in the Wind is an all-female motorcycle club founded in Toledo that now has more than 100 chapters in countries throughout the world, including Australia, Canada, and England. Becky Brown, founder of the women's motorcycle club called Women in the Wind, started the club 35 years ago in Toledo. Ms. Brown has been inducted into three motorcycle halls of fame.

"We really emphasize motorcycle safety," Ms. Brown said. "We have a national safety contest and every member gets a pin for every safe year they ride."

With 35 years under its belt, this club, which has roughly 1,400 members worldwide, looks back to its beginnings.

Ms. Brown never intended to create a female motorcycle club. "I got my first bike in 1976," she said. It was a Honda 350 4-cylinder.

"I had a lot of male friends who rode and I thought there's no reason I can't do it, too," she said. The problem, she said, was that she did not know any women who rode motorcycles.

In 1979, she decided to put an ad in The Blade seeking any interested female motorcycle riders to join her for a ride along the Maumee River.

"We had nearly a dozen women for that first ride," Ms. Brown said. Soon, Ms. Brown assembled her small group of women into a thriving club. As she humbly puts it, "It spread and just kept spreading."

WITW is now the largest women's motorcycle organization of its kind.

As the club transformed into such an international success, Ms. Brown garnered some well-deserved recognition. She was a subject of a documentary directed by Alice Stone that was released in 1995 titled She Lives to Ride. In 1997, photographer Annie Leibovitz traveled to Toledo to take photos of Ms. Brown and some other WITW members for her book Women.

Ms. Brown also has been inducted into three motorcycle halls of fame: the National Motorcycle Museum and Hall of Fame in Anamosa, Iowa in 2002, the American Motorcyclist Hall of Fame in Pickerington, Ohio in 2002, and the Sturgis Motorcycle Museum and Hall of Fame in Sturgis, S.D. in 2008.

Read more at <http://www.toledoblade.com/local/2014/08/04/Women-s-motorcycle-club-Women-in-the-Wind-celebrates-35-years.html#U9kDPjU8GueEbddg.99>

MOTORCYCLE RALLY IN PENNSYLVANIA IS TARGETED BY ANTI-NOISE ACTIVISTS

Riders attending the Pennsylvania Harley Owners Group state rally rolled into Lehigh Valley on Friday and were promptly met with activists from Noise Free America protesting the sound of the bikes.

The protestors claim that the riders are "acoustically lawless" due to the modifications made to pipes once they leave a dealership or that they purposefully remove the mufflers in order to enhance the sound of the pipes.

The Pennsylvania HOG rally is scheduled to run through Sunday and are based in Bethlehem, PA; the protestors came all the way from Chapel Hill, NC – almost 500 miles away.

Ted Rueter, Director of Noise Free America, told the media that his group was on a mission to "bring attention to the fact that loud motorcycles are illegal."

The protestors, which also have chapters in Erie and New Jersey, awarded the rally with a "Noisy Dozen" award their wanton promotion of loud noises; the slogan for this year's rally is: "See the Steel, Hear the Thunder."

The protestors are also upset that the Mayor of Bethlehem, Bob Donchez, appears to be an endorser of the rally. Yes, the protestors are offended by the noise of the bikes but could care less about the influx of cash the riders are bringing to the community throughout this weekend.

Donchez has taken the stance of being more concerned about offending the protestors than the bikers and has made quick work of trying to distance himself from the rally now that it is happening. Donchez told the Lehigh Valley Live that the quote the rally used was from a public web page that promoted tourism in the area.

Rueter remained adamant that the criticism he has waged toward Donchez stays as the mayor appears to have done nothing to combat loud motorcycle pipes.

Billy Snyder, state rally coordinator, stated that approximately 400 motorcyclists are expected and it would be a safe estimate that half have modified pipes; however, he stressed that the HOG groups are not known for being “rowdy” as the 60 is the average age of attendee.

FREE MOTORCYCLE SAFETY CLASSES SCHEDULED LOCALLY

HARRISBURG — The Pennsylvania Motorcycle Safety Program is offering free motorcycle safety classes for Pennsylvania residents, with local classes at Luzerne County Community College in Nanticoke.

Students who successfully complete the knowledge and the skills test through the PAMSP will receive a motorcycle license from the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation.

Participants will need a motorcycle learner’s permit from a PennDOT Driver License Center to register.

The Basic Rider Course is designed for novice riders who want to learn basic skills to operate a motorcycle safely; motorcycles and helmets are provided. The Basic Rider Course 2 is for experienced riders who want to improve their skills and increase safety; students use their own motorcycles.

For class schedules and more information, visit www.pamsp.com



Joan Grimes, Australian Women's Emergency Legion, learns to ride a motorcycle, to fit her for the job as a dispatch rider, if needed, 1939.

THIS WAS ALMOST THIS MONTH'S COVERGIRL

Until Kathleen of Palm Beach Harley arranged with Jennifer of *Photo-Jennic Photography* to allow us the use of one of her fantastic photos from the shoots she did at Palm Beach Harley's past 3rd Thursday Bike Nights. They plan on resuming them again so another reason not to miss that bike night. I was almost ready to use Jennifer as cover girl as you can see she is beautiful.



Help Save the Patch

Recently, I've been made aware of the "Save the Patch" initiative and the "Trademark Defense Fund". In case you are not aware of it, the United States federal government is trying to seize the trademark logo and all related materials, of the Mongol Nation Motorcycle Club, LLC, better known to most of us as the Mongols M/C.

In short, if the government is successful, it would be a felony, subject to immediate arrest, should anyone wear or display a Mongols patch or logo, or even use the name "Mongols" to identify themselves or their organization.

The idea that the US Government can take away a trademark, and identity of a motorcycle club, or any organization is preposterous. It goes against the very grain of our Constitution.

In this great country, that we live in, we are ruled by laws based upon the principles of the United States Constitution. We have the right to freely assemble and associate with others. We have the right to freely express our thoughts and opinions. We have the right to securely own private property, including intellectual property and to use it as we wish. These rights are spelled out in the First and Fourth Amendments to the Constitution, as part of the "Bill of Rights".

The United States Government is trying to eliminate these rights.

We, as riders, and as members of the motorcycling community, should be very concerned. More so, as individuals, as Americans, as business owners, as citizens, we should be even more concerned. If the Government can seize the Mongols M/C patch, they can seize any patch. If they can take a patch, they can take any trademark or logo, as they already have done with the Washington Redskins. If they can do that, they can take any trademark, any logo, any name, and any property they want, all under the color of law, or in the name of political correctness.

Should you be concerned? Well hell yes, you should!

Before and during World War II, under Nazi Germany, Martin Niemoller was a Christian pastor. He spoke out and was arrested several times. He was tried, and he was also committed without trial. He was imprisoned in various concentration camps from 1937 to 1945.

Let me paraphrase his most famous words:

First they came for the One Percenters, and I did not speak out because I am not a One Percenter.

Then they came for the Black, Hispanic and Latino riders, but I did not speak out, because I am not Black, nor Hispanic or Latino.

Then they came for Veteran riders, but I did not speak out, because I am not a Veteran.

And then they came for the ABATE riders, and there was nobody left to speak out for me.

Brothers and Sisters, this is the time to speak out, with one voice, before our voices can be silenced. There is a time to speak with words, and a time to speak through actions, and donations. I urge every ABATE member to not be stingy with a donation that will be used for the Trademark Defense Fund. You need to realize that the battle being fought in the courts is your own battle. The eventual outcome will have deep and long lasting repercussions on our riding community, and on each of us individually as American citizens, so please.... contribute what you can, while you still can.

Thanks for all you can do - CB

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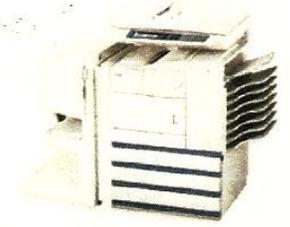
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ABATE Palm Beach Chapter Meeting Minutes

August 17, 2014

At 11:40am the meeting was called to order. In unison, the twenty two Chapter present at the meeting recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, and observed brief time of reverent silence.

President Ed "Nighthawk" Lattari – Very sadly, Chapter member Nuki has passed away following surgery. Camping during the State Meeting in Arcadia was great. The new Chapter trailer worked successfully. The fund raising drive by the United Bikers Council of P.B. County was discussed. Greater participation at local events is requested. Members were reminded to refrain from possessing or consuming adult beverages at the ABATE safety tables and booths. Chapter "stickers" were discussed and approved. There will be no ABATE campground at Bike Week in 2015. The Chapter will begin to explore running a campground in Daytona in the future. The Chapter was recognized for the most new members and the greatest percentage of increase in May membership.

Vice President Ken "Snooze" Gerecke - Ride to Tallahassee was discussed. The next State Meeting will be at Spooks and Scoots.

Secretary Charles "CB" Barcellona - No report

Treasurer Deb "Foxybabe" Wenger - A complete financial report was given. The Chapter is solvent. The ABATE State cash drawing tickets were explained. Tickets were offered for Chapter members to sell.

Membership Trustee Deb "Foxybabe" Wenger - Foxybabe gave a summary membership report and recognized new life members.

Sgt-at-Arms Cary "Runner" Schwartz - The Chapter was reminded to stay hydrated.

Delegates Ken "Snooze" Gerecke and Ed "Nighthawk" Lattari - Bob Alexander is the new *Masterlink* editor. There was a 92 year old Chapter delegate representing his Chapter at the last State Meeting. Spirit bells will be available from the State. The Nature Coast Chapter is ceasing operations and will close. The Chapter was reminded to send in any report of anti-helmet news or legislation, so it may be forwarded to the State.

Products Trustee Charlene "Charlie" Black - Shirts are on sale!

Newsletter Trustee Dan "Slo-Motion" Henderson - Chapter product ads are a new Chrome Chronicles feature. There will be free business card ads for any Chapter member's business. Ads will be sought from additional attorneys.

Legislative Trustee - Dan "Slo-Motion" Henderson - The Chapter was reminded of upcoming primary elections

Webmaster - The domain name was renewed

Old Business - The Chapter was reminded of the upcoming memorial benefit for Chapter member Nuki.

New Business - There will be a sign up sheet available after the meeting to request Chapter stickers and/or State bells.

Good of the Order - Local events were announced, including a United Biker's Council Bike Night at Boonie's on the first Monday of each month.

The motion to adjourn carried at 12:50pm and the meeting was ended.

It's a new motorcycle helmet with a heads up display, rear view camera and built in GPS and bluetooth. Retail for about \$1500. The main point is that instead of just helping riders survive a crash, this one also helps prevent a crash. Now if they could just invent one with air conditioning. <http://techcrunch.com/2014/08/11/skully/> Story below, "Data" Dennis.

The Skully Smart Motorcycle Helmet Sharpens Your Senses On The Road

Posted 21 hours ago by Jordan Crook (@jordanrcrook)

The stats around motorcycle safety in the United States are pretty bleak, but the folks at Skully are looking to give an added layer of safety to the bike-riding thrill-seekers of the world.

The Skully AR-1 helmet started quite literally as a fever dream by founder and CEO Dr. Marcus Weller, who had been in multiple motorcycle accidents before. He dreamt of a helmet that could give him HUD directions and GPS, and even let him get a clearer view of what's behind him. He woke up in the middle of the night and spent an hour looking for this helmet, certain that it must exist in the world.

"At the time, I didn't even have a motorcycle, but I was ready to spend money on it, which made me realize that I needed to build it," said Weller.

Using an elaborate network of sensors, microprocessors, and a camera, the AR-1 is able to deliver a Heads Up Display, with turn-by-turn GPS navigation, with information appearing approximately ten feet in front of the rider. They call it the Synapse platform, and it offers automatic infinitely variable focal distance, meaning that the GPS itself is clear no matter where the rider is looking.

The whole point, of course, is to ensure that the driver is paying attention to all of the other vehicles on the street as opposed to averting attention to street signs, etc. With that in mind, the team also developed a rear-viewing system that gives a 180-degree view of what's behind the rider.

It functions similarly to a rear-camera system in a car — save for the fact that it offers a panorama instead of a tunnel — and sits just below the GPS in the corner of the rider's HUD. According to Weller, this lets the rider see where he or she needs to go and check his or her blind spot to change lanes all in one glance.

The helmet pairs with your smartphone via Bluetooth and has a battery life of up to nine hours, which Weller sees as the maximum time that anyone would (reasonably) spend on a motorcycle continuously.

Skully introduced the helmet in late 2013, and saw over 100,000 beta tester applications. Looking to leverage that community, the team is launching today on Indiegogo for people to place their pre-orders. The company is looking to raise \$250k.

The Skully AR-1 will go for \$1,399 on Indiegogo (with a few spots available for even lower price points), but the MSRP once it hits retail will be closer to \$1,499.



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REQUIREMENTS—must be at least 18 years of age. It does not matter what you or even if you ride. You can be an independent or member of a club or association. All are welcome at meetings.

Join for the cause. Everything is voluntary, we understand work and family comes first. We hope you can help in any small way, vote and spread the word. \$20 for Year or \$150 Life which is split between chapter and state.

BENEFITS Your money is used to provide a lobbyist to the state and federal government to watch for our rights and freedom. You get a State *MasterLink* newsletter every 2 months. The chapter newsletter is available online abatepalmbeach.com so is in color and with Internet links. We print black and white copies for the general public to be informed available at various establishments. Members get free classified and reduced ad rates.

INSURANCE As an active member in good standing you have a \$4,000 Accidental Death and Dismemberment policy from American Income Life. You will get a card in the mail from state office to register your beneficiary for ADD insurance. Do NOT mail it, just be sure your family knows about the policy. If you send it in and they try to meet to sell you more, contact State Office to have it stopped. You can mail to the office as Registered letter to have it done when you family notifies. be sure to renew in time so are always covered! It does not have to be a motorcycle accident.

PRIVACY Your email, address and phone are never given out to anyone except State and Chapter executive members. You We have stopped listing the expiring members in newsletter, you do get letters letting you know. No full names will appear in newsletter nor website without your permission. Photos are included to help promote Brotherhood.

CLASSIFIEDS These ads are free to members so send in your items.

Bill “Hamish” Black has a back bag available. Give him a call his number is on the officers page

Two XL half shell helmets and 1 half face shield
— Slo Motion 561-702-9929



ABATE OF FLORIDA INC. PALM BEACH CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION



Membership Dues: \$20 per person for 1 year or \$150 for Life Membership

Fill out form, print, sign attach your check or money order and mail to:

**ABATE — Palm Beach Chapter
P.O. Box 32215
West Palm Beach, FL 33420-2215**

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY Will Palm Beach be your HOME. Voting chapter? _____
NEW ____: Year ____ or Life ____ Renew: ____ Transfer: ____ Address Change: ____

First : _____ Last : _____ Road : _____

Address: _____

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| MC/Club/Org |
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City: _____ State: ____ Zip (full): _____ - _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____

Email: _____

Registered Voter? Yes ___ No ___ State House: ____ State Senate: ____ US Dist: ____

How can you best help ABATE? Time, Labor, Money, Other _____

SIGNATURE _____

State newsletter, *MasterLink* Mailed every other month ___ or online ___ abateflorida.com
 Chapter newsletter *The Chrome Chronicles* is online at start of month in color with active Links. If you do not have Internet, printed copies can be gotten at the meeting or various distribution points. If you need mailed check here ___. It costs over \$18 to mail, so donations are appreciated \$ _____
 You may also order Patches at this time **MEMBERSHIPS FEE** \$ _____
 Large Chapter Patch 10" by 10.5" \$35 each # ___ Total \$ _____
 Small Chapter Patch 5" by 5.5" \$10 each # ___ Total \$ _____

Date: _____ Grand Total of membership, patches, etc. Paid \$ _____

MEMBERSHIP CARD / PATCHES CAN BE GOTTEN AT CHAPTER MEETING (on the third Sunday of Month) OR MAILED WITHIN 30 DAYS . LIFE CARD MAY TAKE LONGER AS PICKED UP AT STATE MEETINGS EVERY OTHER MONTH

ABATE OF FLORIDA, INC.

Bringin' back the old school biker party

GATOR ALLEY CHAPTER

Music provided by:
Manixx Drive

Games, Contests
and Prizes

Photo Booth
with Props



Free Gift to first
100 members

Rick Bradley
Man and Woman
of the Year Awards

History Table
Photo Albums

IS TURNING "DIRTY THIRTY!"

Saturday, September 27th, 2014

IRON HORSE SOUTH
260 12th STREET NE
NAPLES, FL 34120

6:00pm to 10:00pm

BYOB AND A DISH TO SHARE

Soda and Water provided

www.gatoralley.net

SAFETY AND MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION AVAILABLE.
ABATE OF FLORIDA, INC. DOES NOT CONDONE
DRINKING ALCOHOL AND RIDING/DRIVING.
Donations to ABATE OF FLORIDA, INC. are not deductible
for Federal Income Tax Purposes.

CHAIR PERSON:
MARGO FUOCO
239-404-1279

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SCOTT HUGHES
239-258-0453

You're Invited to the Keltics M/C FL 

RIDE EM' HARD

PARDEE 4

Rain or Shine! Indoor Seating for 600

Sunday, September 28th, Noon-? at
COWBOYS SALOON
1805 S. UNIVERSITY DRIVE
(Next to KMART, South of 595) **EVERYONE WELCOME!**

Cowboysdave on Facebook - 954-476-0063

Music by "Sucker Punch"
Bucket Specials on
Bud & Miller Lite!
\$5 BBQ Plate
Door Prizes
50/50/ & Vendors



We reserve the right to ask anyone to leave for any reason

For vendor info & clubhouse directions visit
www.kelticsmc.com or call 954-232-4476



Next Palm Beach Chapter Meeting VFW POST 4143

2ND SUNDAY September 14, 2014 11:30 am

Directions: 2404 Broadway (US1), Riviera Beach - Exit I-95 at Blue Heron Blvd, go east to Broadway (US1) turn south and is 1 block on east side. **Bike Parking is on south side of building.**

Come early, enjoy a good breakfast deal and socialize with other members.

GOALS & PURPOSES OF ABATE

- To print a newsletter to keep all bikers informed with regard to legislative actions and events around the state and throughout the country.
- To become a powerful and viable political force in legislative matters concerning all motorcyclists rights.
- To provide a lobbyist to represent ABATE of Florida, Inc. on the state and national level.
- To promote voter registration and motivate members to write their legislators.
- To promote safe riding habits without infringing on individual rights.
- To educate the public about motorcycle awareness.