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Florida Motorcycle Safety Program
May 7 at 9:27 AM

Whether you ride or drive, safety is everyone's responsibility. The Florida Motorcycle Safety Program just dropped our first-ever safety toolkit! It's packed with ready-to-share graphics, resources, and tips to help you spread motorcycle safety awareness all month long.

Link: <https://fl-msp.com/may-motorcycle-safety-awareness-month/>

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Digital resources to share with riders and drivers!



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President's Message



Danny "Curbie" Lovett

And now a word from our sponsor, Coppertone!

Seriously though folks summer is upon us and it is hot! I encourage you all while we're out in this heat to stay hydrated while you're out there on those beautiful machines. I know beer taste better but alternate with some water while you're out there. Hydration is our friend. Summer also brings backyard barbecues and good times. However, backyard barbecues and good times include alcohol so while you're drinking that water keep your eye out and remember to drive defensively and please watch your intake as well. Also, As someone who rides to work every day I notice that in the summer the sprinklers come on much earlier so those early morning rides can be a bit wet Underneath us. Be aware and be safe.

I want to take a moment and thank Frank, Tammy, Jeff, Lori & Whiskers for taking the time to go out to the training seminars earlier this month. We had a good ride out and we learned a bit along the way. Their commitment is noted and appreciated.

Speaking of seminars, meetings, and barbecues, one of the things that was brought up many times by the state chapter was getting more raffle tickets sold for the grill. Buy a handful, take it to work, school, the clubhouse or wherever quality raffle tickets are sold and sell them to your friends so we can make our State President happy! More money in ABATE's pocket is obviously to our benefit so let's see what we can do to help them with this!

At our last meeting we talked about the fact that snooze had his phone blow up on him and he lost the program that he used for his text messaging to all the ABATE members. We've pretty much decided the easiest way to replace the text messaging will be to continue with more use of WhatsApp. If you haven't downloaded WhatsApp yet, or set it up, let us know and we'll make sure to get you set up because it will be the way we are communicating from this point forward.

I'm going to end this for this month by saying enjoy your summer. Go to the rallies and have a good time. We'll have news from the state meeting next month but until then Ride long and Ride safe. But most of all JUST RIDE!!!

Danny



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Vice President's Message

Will "Whiskers" Calhoun

Here I am, second message to the troops!

I've learned a lot about what is expected of me as a Vice-President since I went to the State orientation meeting. Had I known, I may have been more shy. My duties include increasing membership, representing our Chapter at local events and attending State meetings. I will do my best to encourage new members from every facet of the two-wheeled world. I have been a member of the Motorcycle Riders Foundation for quite a while and will be attending their BIG event in Shreveport, LA in late September. I am also a long-time member of the American Motorcyclist Association and I am also one of those who contacts our political supporters as well as our adversaries. I sponsor an up-and-coming female, District 6 Champion in AMA Amateur Flat Track and she is the Women's AMA champion of 2024 & 2025 and I personally follow American Flat Track while kicking a few bucks to the up-and-comers. We all ride and follow different paths, however our bond is encouraging safe riding with a minimal amount of government interference. I'm not a cuts and colors kind of guy but I can assure that wherever I attend as your Representative I will make at least one memorable acquaintance. I will attend the next State meeting and as many as I can attend as your VP, I took this position with serious intent but Dan, I, Jeff, etc. need you all to step up and support us in growing our membership. Those in State are attempting to keep the numbers of Chapters up and are very interested in our ability to grow their coffers. I'm in support of these ideas but also believe that we can strengthen our local chapter and be leaders rather than just followers as the State membership rises and falls. If you know a sport bike rider or even a scooter (God forbid) rider, tell them about the fact that for a \$20 membership they can have both representation and an insurance policy of \$4,000. When birthdays, anniversaries or holidays come around, consider giving a gift membership rather than a gift card or a round at the bar. It is simple mathematics; in numbers we have strength and it benefits all!

Whiskers



SEPT 14, 2025
515 N. FLAGLER RD

8 am Check In

Meet at check in table for registration, waiver, wristband and poker card. Opening ceremonies starts at 9 am for the stair climb.

10 am Kickstands Up

1ST STOP NOBO BREWERY



2ND STOP BOONIES WILD WEST SALOON



3RD STOP CONNOLLY'S IRISH BAR



4TH STOP SQUARE GROUPE



5TH STOP 3 PM FINAL CARD TURN IN AT PALM BEACH HARLEY. BE AT HARLEY BY 3 PM! WINNING HAND 50/50 CASH PRIZE

4-5 PM RAFFLES AND WINNING HAND ANNOUNCEMENT



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2025

3rd Sunday Jan 19

3rd Sunday Feb 16

3rd Sunday Mar 16

3rd Sunday Apr 20

3rd Sunday May 18

3rd Sunday Jun 15

3rd Sunday Jul 20

3rd Sunday Aug 17

3rd Sunday Sep 14

3rd Sunday Oct 19

3rd Sunday Nov 16

3rd Sunday Dec 14

2026

3rd Sunday Jan 18

3rd Sunday Feb 15

3rd Sunday Mar 15

3rd Sunday Apr 19

3rd Sunday May 17

3rd Sunday Jun 14

ABATE of FL Inc Palm Beach Chapter

General Meeting—Eagles Aerie WPB July 13, 2025

CALL TO ORDER: 11:00a m

PRESIDENT: . Our new President Dan “Curbie” Lovett opened the meeting at 11:00 AM with the pledge and a moment of silence. Dan attended the State Presidents meeting in Vero Beach. The State raffle has been stressed as very important to the well Being of Abate of Florida. We are encouraged to sell all of our remaining tickets.

VICE PRESIDENT: . Vice President Will ”Whiskers” Calhoun also attended the State seminar. He said it was a learning experience for him. We as a chapter are encouraged to have a event to raise funds for the State.

SECRETARY: A motion and a second to approve the minutes as published in the newsletter.

TREASURER: The checkbook is balanced. We were successful with our event. We had a good day

SERGEANT-AT-ARMS: Suggest that we wear a helmet and stay hydrated.

MEMBERSHIP: We have 176 members with four new members this month and five new members last month.

SAFETY: No report.

LEGISLATIVE: Florida eliminated the HOV lanes.

DELEGATE: No report.

PR/COMMUNICATIONS: Lori is doing a great job with the newsletter

WEBSITE: We are still working with the State to gain access.

PRODUCTS: We have a good stock of State products.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: We are selling raffle tickets for a Blackstone grill. The proceeds will go to the State to further our cause. The tickets are \$1.00 each. See Jeff for the tickets. ABATE of Florida is in the planning stages for a State party in the fall of 2026.

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

TIME OF ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn 11:45 pm

STATE MEETINGS

Board Meetings start at 10am
General Meetings start at 12pm
2nd Sat of the Month

HOST CHAPTER & LOCATION

2025 State Meetings

Feb 8, 2025 Lagoon
(Treasure Coast)

Apr 13, 2025 Tallahassee

Jun 14, 2025 Bone Yard

July 2025 Seminars

Aug 9, 2025 Lake County

Oct. 11, 2025 Gator Alley

Dec. 13, 2025 Forest

ABATE of FL Palm Beach Chapter Past Members **GBNF**

Dan “Slo-Mo” Henderson

Steve “Boo” Miller

Ed “Gunner” Bassett

Frank “Pipes” Cook

Robert “Torch” Lyle

Niurka Crespo

Phil Moore

Michael Steffy

Bill Klawsnik

Gregg Lehman

Karen Watkins

“Bones” Maurice Clark

Danny Palm

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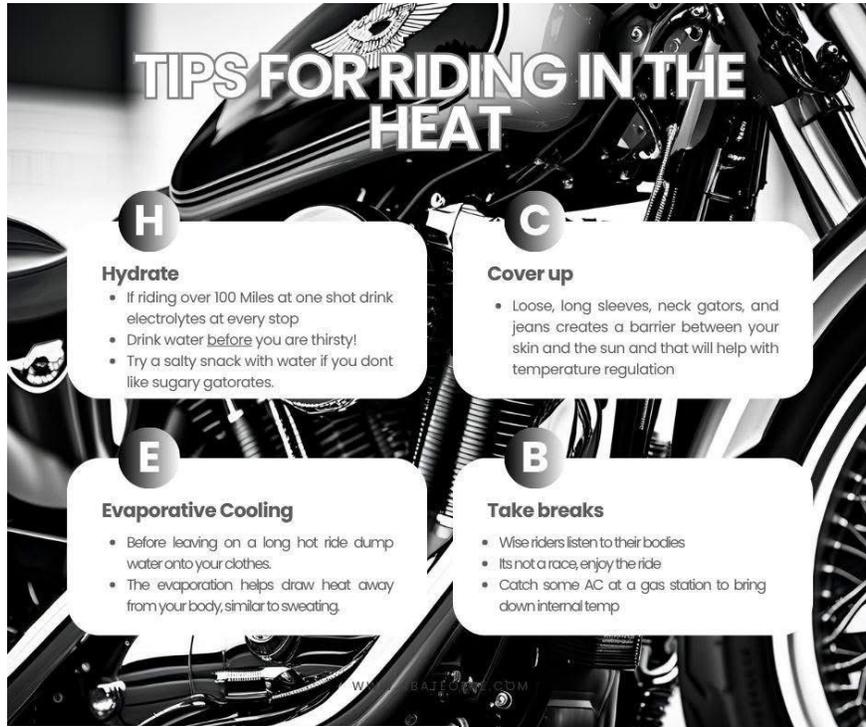
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Send your input to pbabateneews@gmail.com by the 25th of the month



HEAT EXHAUSTION **HEAT STROKE**

Heat Exhaustion Symptoms: Dizziness, Thirst, Heavy Sweating, Nausea, Weakness

Heat Stroke Symptoms: Confusion, Dizziness, Become Unconscious

ACT FAST

- Move to a cooler area
- Loosen clothing
- Sip cool water
- Seek medical help if symptoms don't improve

ACT FAST - CALL 911

- Move person to a cooler area
- Loosen clothing and remove extra layers
- Cool with water or ice

Heat exhaustion can lead to heat stroke.

Heat stroke can cause death or permanent disability if emergency treatment is not given.

Florida is home to 662,415 registered motorcycles and 1.44 million endorsed - an undeniable force on the road (Florida Highway Motorcycle Safety Motor Vehicles). In 2024, Florida reported 9,449 motorcycle crashes, lost 592 motorcyclists and saw over 8,100 injuries (preliminary data as of 6/24/2025 reported by Florida Highway Motorcycle Safety Motor Vehicles). These numbers underscore the urgent need to improve safety on our roads.



STAY COOL AND RIDE SAFE: SUMMER MOTORCYCLE SAFETY TIPS

Motorcycle rides, especially in the Sunshine State, offer an unmatched sense of freedom, excellent gas mileage, and ease of parking. On top of that, they come with a built-in breeze — nature’s air conditioning. But even with the wind in your face, Florida’s summer heat can turn a great ride into a dangerous situation if you’re not prepared.

Here are some ways to avoid common pitfalls while riding in summertime heat:

Dress for the Heat:

- Wear a helmet with vents wide open; choose light or bright colors.
- Pick a summer riding jacket with mesh panels and armor.
- Use ventilated gloves made for warm-weather riding.
- Wear lightweight, breathable non-waterproof boots.
- Wear shirts and socks made from moisture wicking fabric.
- Try a cooling vest under your gear to regulate body temperature.

🦺 Avoid riding during the hottest part of the day. Take advantage of Florida’s long daylight hours and hit the road early in the morning or later in the evening. These cooler times also come with the bonus of lighter traffic.

🦺 Keep your safety gear on and your skin covered. It may seem cooler to shed layers, but exposing skin can increase your risk of sunburn and cause fatigue and dehydration. Wear light-colored gear designed for warm weather riding.

🦺 Hydrate, hydrate, hydrate. Dehydration, heat exhaustion, and heatstroke can creep up fast. Drink water before, during, and after your ride. • Make frequent stops. Breaks in shaded or air-conditioned places help cool you down and provide a chance to rehydrate.

🦺 Wear sunscreen. A good SPF 30+ sunscreen protects against more than sunburn. It will help reduce the risk of overheating. Focus on exposed areas like your face and the back of your neck.

Even with the breeze of the ride, heat can take a toll. Preparing ahead of time can make every ride safer and more enjoyable. So, gear up, plan your route, and savor every moment of your adventure. Remember, the joy of the ride lies not only in the journey itself but in the safe return home. Ride safe and make the most of every beautiful cruise in the Sunshine State.

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Thank you for all the support of ABATE of Florida, Inc. and the Palm Beach Chapter.

ABATE of Florida, Inc. Mission Statement

WHO WE ARE

We are a non-profit organization of motorcycle enthusiasts from all walks of life. We lobby and educate the government and the general public to promote motorcycling in a safe and positive image. We endeavor to enlist the cooperation and participation of all organizations and individuals that share a similar interest in preserving our American tradition of FREEDOM. We promote motorcycle safety, training, & political awareness. We ARE NOT A CLUB NOR A GANG. We fund our work through events, toy runs, poker runs, campouts, and other motorcycle activities. We are your neighbors & friends who work, pay taxes, and get involved with our community. We serve and support our country and believe in freedom. We use all legal means to protect our rights without infringing on the rights of others. We are Pro-choice NOT anti-helmet, it is up to you to decide.

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.

MEMBERSHIP

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 to 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 reenforce and strengthen the armor for now and generations to come.

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HOW IT ALL STARTED

Justin Gregory Bartlett's life, spanning from December 8, 1984 to December 14, 2008, was a beacon of caring and sharing that continues to illuminate the path for our community and beyond. The essence of Justin's spirit, characterized by boundless compassion and the innate desire to connect with every life he touched, lives on through the work of the Justin Bartlett Animal Rescue.

Known affectionately as 'Shark' for his love of fishing, Justin's journey on earth may have been brief, yet his impact is timeless. His departure following a tragic accident left an indelible mark on all who knew him. Born in Miami and raised in Wellington, Florida, Justin was the cherished son of Rick and Karen Bartlett, a brother to Joshua, Jacob, and Richard, a beloved partner to Emily McMichael, and a dear friend to many, especially Todd Perez and Mike Gauer. Justin's story is not just one of loss but of enduring love and unyielding dedication to making a difference.

As a passionate animal lover, his legacy is now enshrined in the mission of the Justin Bartlett Animal Rescue — a testament to his gentle nature and his caring soul that found joy in the well-being of animals.

OUR MISSION

Our organization has grown significantly over the years, and we are proud to announce the addition of two adoption units and a mobile animal surgical hospital. These new facilities allow us to extend our reach and provide even better care for our animals.

OUR ADOPTION UNITS

Our two new adoption units are state-of-the-art facilities designed to create a comfortable and welcoming environment for both the animals and potential adopters. These units are equipped with everything needed to ensure the animals' well-being and to help them find their forever homes quickly and efficiently.

MOBILE ANIMAL SURGICAL HOSPITAL

Our mobile animal surgical hospital is a groundbreaking addition to our services. This hospital on wheels allows us to provide essential medical care to animals in various locations, making it easier for us to respond to emergencies and provide ongoing care to animals in remote or underserved areas. Our team of skilled veterinarians and technicians is dedicated to delivering high-quality medical care to every animal in need.

We are incredibly grateful for the support of our community, volunteers, and donors. Your generosity makes it possible for us to continue our mission and expand our services to save more lives.

ABOUT US...

On April 2, 2012, a group of seasoned rescuers united, in memory of an animal lover, Justin Bartlett, who tragically lost his life at a young age, and formed the Justin Bartlett Animal Rescue.

Through the knowledge base of these rescuers, their long volunteer “hands-on” hours, common sense and research driven processes, together they built the largest foster based rescue in the county, saving an average of a thousand animals each year, established a fleet of two adoption shuttles and a mobile unit, as well as launched them the county's first rescue magazine, "Rescue Tales." Though time consuming and exhausting, there was still more work to be done.

Due to the dire need for low cost veterinary care in the community, on May 28, 2015, the Justin Bartlett Animal Hospital was founded! To date, the hospital has served over 25,000 patients, and performed over 8,000 spay/neuter surgeries, some on our mobile surgical unit, within specific economically disadvantaged areas, at no cost to the public.

OUR MISSION...

Justin Bartlett Animal Rescue’s Mission is to reduce the number of homeless dogs and cats from becoming victim to shelter euthanasia, while educating the public on the importance of adoption spay / neuter and the humane treatment of animals. . Our volunteer staff is dedicated to saving pregnant and nursing animals, as well as, orphaned puppies/kittens, and any unwanted animal, whether sick or healthy. If there is an open foster home and available funds we will ensure the animal receives its forever home. Every animal we rescue is placed in a foster home, spayed/ neutered, vaccinated, microchipped, tested, and provided any other necessary medical care. In addition, through our not-for- profit hospital, we will provide affordable veterinary care to the animals in our community.

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For More information and events see Upcoming Events Schedule

September 2025

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UPCOMING Event Schedule *All events subject to change*

3rd Sunday August 17th Palm Beach Chapter Meeting ABATE of FL, INC. 11am Eagles Aerie 2800 N. Military Suite #105 West Palm Beach, FL (Westchester Plaza south of Community)

Saturday August 9, ABATE of Florida State Meeting, Villages Leesburg Moose Lodge #1271, 1512 SR 44, Leesburg, FL 34748

Sunday September 14, 3rd Annual 9/11 Poker Run, 8am-5PM, 515 N Flagler Rd., West Ralm Beach,

**Sunday September 28th, Justin Barrett Rescue Poker Run 2025
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October 16-19, 33rd Annual Biketoberfest® , 1801 West International Speedway Blvd, Daytona Beach (the FMSP will have an outreach tent at Daytona International Speedway)

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WEEKLY EVENTS

3rd Sunday ABATE Palm Beach meeting Eagles Riders 2800 N. Military #105 West Palm Beach FL (Westchester Plaza)

2nd Fri Outlaws Open House

3rd Fri Black Pistons Open House

4th Fri Outlaws Open House

3rd Sat Fly-In Wheels Party

1st, 2nd, 4th Sat Fly-In Wheels Open House

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ROBOTAXIS IN TEXAS

July 2, 2025 - Austin, TX

In late June 2025, Tesla launched its Robotaxi service in Austin, Texas, deploying vehicles equipped with Full Self-Driving software but with human safety monitors on board.

Several concerning incidents have already been reported.

Videos document robotaxis entering left-turn lanes but proceeding straight, other robotaxis crossing double-yellow lines and even robotaxis entering oncoming traffic for several seconds.

Additionally, there have been reports of abrupt phantom braking, especially near police vehicles. Although no major accidents

have been reported yet, local lawmakers have taken notice. Texas legislators are contemplating stricter permitting rules related to this technology. Federal regulators are also aware of the reports out of Austin. In a statement from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), the agency said, “NHTSA is aware of the referenced incidents and is in contact with the manufacturer to gather additional information.”

In March 2025, Waymo confirmed plans to launch a human-free, fully driverless service in Washington D.C. starting in 2026. Some view the idea of bringing this technology to the doorstep of Congress, NHTSA and other federal regulators as a bold move. Any high-profile events involving this technology on the streets of our nation’s capital would draw massive media attention and could easily spur action and stricter oversight.

The Motorcycle Riders Foundation continues to educate officials in D.C. about our concerns regarding the deployment of these vehicles. Examples like the ones out of Austin, further demonstrate the need for robust testing to ensure motorcyclists and other roadway users are not collateral damage in the rush to commercialize these vehicles. As always, stay vigilant and aware of your surroundings.



TAX CREDITS FOR PURCHASES OF AMERICAN MADE MOTORCYCLES

Washington, D.C., July 9, 2025

The recently passed H.R. 1 legislation signed by the President includes a provision that will directly benefit those who purchase new motorcycles made or assembled in the United States. Interest paid on loans for qualifying new motorcycle purchases will now be tax-deductible.

Here are some important points to note. The deduction has a cap of \$10,000 and the benefit phases out based on increasing income levels. The change creates an "above-the-line" deduction for vehicle loan interest, meaning it reduces your adjusted gross income before calculating your taxable income. The position of the deduction is important because it will be available to most taxpayers, even those who do not itemize deductions. The bill states that vehicles impacted must be "manufactured primarily for use on public streets, roads, and highways" and are "a car, minivan, van, sport utility vehicle, pickup truck, or motorcycle." This policy is temporary, with an expiration in 2028. If you are in the market for a new bike over the next three years, be sure to do some research to see if this new policy will benefit you.

There are diverse policy issues and priorities addressed in this bill. As the voice of the street rider in Washington, D.C., the Motorcycle Riders Foundation applauds the inclusion of this tax provision. Policies that foster the growth of motorcycling while supporting American manufacturing are something we can stand behind.

American Made/ Assembled Motorcycles Reporting 2025 Production

Full Production Motorcycles:

Buell Motorcycles
Harley Davidson Motorcycles
Indian Motorcycles
Zero Motorcycles

Bespoke/Boutique/Limited Production Motorcycles:

ARCH Motorcycle
Boss Hoss Cycles
Cleveland CycleWerks
Combat Motors Motorcycles
Curtiss Motorcycles
Janus Motorcycles
Lightning Motorcycles

**Examples not intended as fully comprehensive list





PROFILING SURVEY 2025

“The price of freedom is eternal vigilance.” The sentiment of this quote has been shared by many, leading to it being attributed to President Thomas Jefferson, abolitionist Wendell Phillips and Irish statesman John Philpot Curran. Debating who said it is not as important as remembering and living the message.

As bikers, we have learned repeatedly that victories only last as long as you continuously defend them. A majority of States have fought for and won the right to decide whether or not to wear a helmet, yet every year, a legislature in one State or another will debate the merits of removing that right. The same fight continues for the right to repair/modify our bikes, the right to peacefully assemble with who we choose or even to wear clothing styles that reflect our lifestyle. These and other topics appear in our inboxes every week until it feels like it will never end because it does not end.

Eternal vigilance means just that. But we are not alone. Every organization trying to secure rights of any kind faces the same battles. Even among bikers, we are not alone. Other organizations fight with us and look toward the Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF) for leadership. We must lead with an example of eternal vigilance. One of those organizations is the Motorcycle Profiling Project (MPP), which maintains an annual survey on the profiling of motorcyclists. The questions change every year, keeping the survey fresh and the data annually updated. The result is the tool that helped pass two Anti-Profiling Resolutions in the US Congress. The survey data was persuasive enough to be quoted in the Resolutions as shown in the attached image.

Eternal vigilance means taking the new version of the survey each and every year. This is no different than doing a Call To Action each time a new bill threatens motorcycling. It needs to be done and with only a few questions, it is less than a minute to do. Use the QR Code or click on it to take the survey right now!



CALIFORNIA CHALLENGES TESLA ON AUTOMATED DRIVING

The California Department of Motor Vehicles is seeking a temporary suspension of Tesla’s manufacturing and sales licenses, accusing the company of misleading consumers by marketing its driver-assist systems (“Autopilot” and “Full Self Driving”) as capable of full autonomy. In reality, they remain Level 2 systems, requiring constant human oversight. While the suspension would be tem-

porary, it would be a strong signal to other manufacturers about the need to more adequately inform drivers about the capabilities of the vehicles they operate.

The Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF) has consistently raised similar concerns to federal policymakers on the issue. During a meeting with the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration last year, MRF President Kirk “Hardtail” Willard cited several examples of marketing by Tesla and other manufacturers that create a false sense of security when operating these vehicles. For motorcyclists sharing the roads, this translated into serious dangers.

An example of this occurred last year when Washington State Patrol confirmed that a Tesla, which hit and killed a motorcyclist near Seattle, was operating in “full self-driving mode” at the time of the crash. The MRF will monitor the action out in California and continue to voice our concerns here in Washington, D.C. about the deployment and marketing of this technology.

RIDE LOUD, SPEAK LOUDER FIGHT FOR WHAT'S YOURS!

Motorcycle Riders Foundation 41st Annual Meeting of the Minds Conference Hits Shreveport, Louisiana – Sam’s Town Hotel & Casino — September 25-28, 2025

The Motorcycle Riders Foundation is calling out the next **generation of two-wheel warriors**: It’s time to take a stand. If you’re 18-35 and Love Freedom, It’s Time to Show Up or Shut Up.

You ride hard. You live free. You don't take orders — and you sure as hell don’t sit back while bureaucrats try to control your throttle, your gear, or your life.

The **Annual Meeting of the Minds (MOTM)** — the most powerful motorcyclists’ rights event in America — led by the nation’s only motorcyclists’ rights advocacy organization for street riders with full-time representation in Washington, D.C. -- since 1987!

The only place we’re going is to the next fight to defend our rights! This isn’t your granddad’s conference. It’s a full-on battle plan for the future of your freedom.

Why Should You Care? Because right now:

Lawmakers are trying to **track your every move**.

Insurance companies and safety cults want to **control how and when you ride**.





Autonomous tech is threatening to **erase motorcyclists from the road entirely.**

If you're 18 to 35, this is *YOUR* fight. Not tomorrow. Not someday. Right Now.

What You'll Get at MOTM 2025:

- Inside Intel on what the politicians, regulators, and tech tyrants are doing that'll affect your ride — forever.
- Hard-hitting sessions on AI vehicles, anti-motorcyclist bias, surveillance, emission regs, profiling, and more.
- Nationwide networking with real riders, state leaders, and biker rights advocates who have been in the trenches for your rights.
- A legit chance to influence the MRF's federal lobbying strategy for 2026.
- First-time attendee 18-35? Your registration fee is discounted 35 percent!

“We're not here to play nice. We're here to protect our culture, our machines, and our rights. If you're a young rider who gives a damn about the future — don't just post about it. Be in Shreveport.” — Kirk “Hardtail” Willard, President, Motorcycle Riders Foundation

About the Motorcycle Riders Foundation

The Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF) exists to defend motorcyclists' rights in Washington, D.C., and beyond. We don't sell out. We don't back down. And we won't stop until every rider — no matter their age — is free to ride without interference.

This Is It. The Movement Is Waiting. Where Are You?

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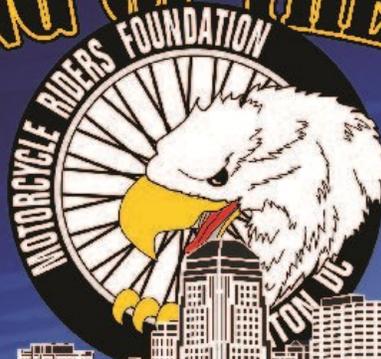
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MEETING OF THE MINDS



Shreveport, Louisiana
September 25-28, 2025

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Pre-registration (must be received by Sept. 10, 2025): \$100.00 (current member) / \$120.00 (non-member)
Registration rate after Sept. 10, 2025: \$110.00 (current member) / \$130.00 (non-member)
Registration includes all workshops, workshop materials, and Saturday banquet.
Registration questions call the MRF at 202-546-0993, or email Fred Harrell at fred@mrf.org.
*See registration form for details.

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RIDE WITH THE LEADERS!



Thousands of motorcyclists' rights activists have attended MRF sponsored annual regional and national workshops since 1985. These workshops provide the nuts and bolts, "user friendly" subjects and training to assist motorcyclists in defending, building, and strengthening their grassroots organizations.

Motorcycle Riders Foundation is proud to present their annual conference for politically motivated motorcyclists! Spend the weekend with some of motorcycling's most educated and dedicated activists. Learn what issues will impact bikers today and in the future!

Use the applications below to join and support the Motorcycle Riders Foundation and to pre-register for the 41st Annual Meeting of the Minds, September 25-28, 2025.

MRF MEETING OF THE MINDS 2025 PRE-REGISTRATION

(Must be received by September 10, 2025 to qualify for discounted rate)

- PRE-REGISTRATION RATE: \$100 Current individual MRF member (before Sept. 10) \$120 Non-MRF member (before Sept. 10)
 \$75 First time attendees (ages 18-35 yrs)
- REGISTRATION RATE (after Sept. 10): \$110 Current individual MRF member (after Sept. 10) \$130 Non-MRF member (after Sept. 10)
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PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY

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Send check or money order to: MRF, PO Box 9090, Peoria, IL 61612 before Sept. 10. After Sept. 10 registration fee increases \$10 per person.
 For room reservations call 877-429-0711 (mention group code MRF125C for conference room rates)

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- Auto-Renewal Individual Membership \$35
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- Annual Independent Motorcycle Aftermarket Membership \$100

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Lake County Chapter

State Meeting – August 9, 2025 - Lake County

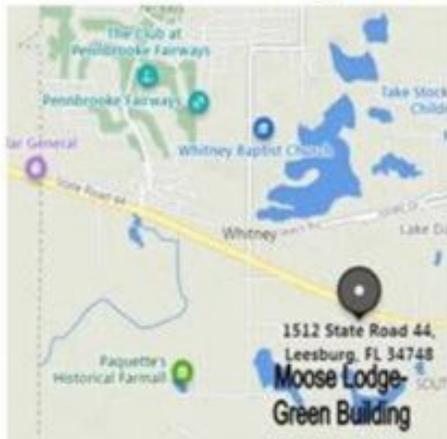
State Board meets at 10:00-

Delegates Meeting at 12:00 (lunch will be served)

Meeting Hall: Villages Leesburg Moose Lodge #1271

1512 SR 44, Leesburg 34748 (Apx 14 miles west from hotel)

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Welcome New Members!!

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Dana Hojnacki	07/31/2025
John Ott	07/31/2025
Michael Zimmer	07/31/2025

Help us remind other members to renew their memberships to keep their ADD insurance active. Tell them of the change in chapter meetings. Everyone's help is needed for membership.

If you have any questions about your membership, contact Jeff pbabatenews@gmail.com. He can check the State records of your member membership status .

WHY JOIN ABATE OF FLORIDA, INC.?

ABATE is a non-profit Motorcycle Rights Organization whose cause is to EDUCATE the government, motorcyclists and the general public on freedom, rights, road safety, and awareness of motorcycles on the road.

REQUIREMENTS—must be at least 18 years of age. It does not matter what you ride 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.

BENEFITS Your money is used to provide a lobbyist to the state and federal government to watch for our rights and freedom. The State *MasterLink* newsletter every 2 months, read it online. The chapter newsletter is available by the start of each month online at palmbeach.abateflorida.com. There it is in color, with active Internet links and zoomable. Members get free classified ads in our newsletters.

INSURANCE As an active member you have a \$4,000 **Accidental Death and Dismemberment** policy from American Income Life. We used to get a card in the mail from state office to register your beneficiary for ADD insurance, now fill out on membership form. Be sure your family knows about the policy. We have the form online and now included in membership form. We will get it to the ABATE of FL Inc. State office. It does not have to be a motorcycle accident.

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EMAILINGS you can be added to a mass mailing which you can opt to be removed at end of email. Local events are included and sometimes urgent matters may be included. No one will see your email

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Signature: _____ Date: _____

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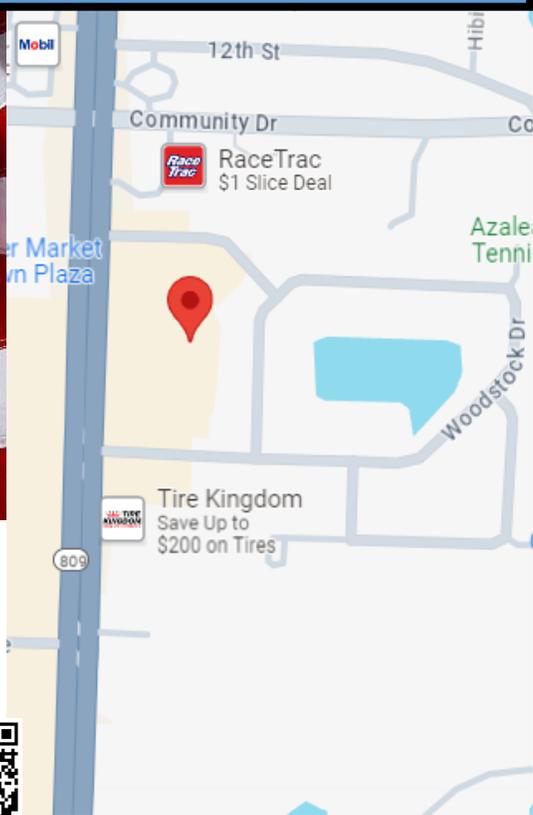
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Next Palm Beach Chapter Meeting
3rd Sunday August 17, 2025 11:00 am
Eagle Riders Aerie 4219
2800 N. Military #105 West Palm Beach FL
(Westchester Square south of Community not Okeechobee)
Chapter meetings 3rd Sunday Open to ALL so come learn about us.



Pick Up Newsletters the first of the month at:

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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.