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**Labor Day
Weekend 2024**
August 30th -
September 2nd



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Meeker County

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GRAPEVINES AND REPORTS

The deadline is the 10th of the month prior to publication.

- DO NOT submit in all uppercase, or insert backgrounds.
- Include your chapter/committee name on the subject line of the email that you send to the Road Noise.

Use the following basic outline:

- 1) Chapter/Committee Name
- 2) Next Chapter/Committee Meetings/Time, Place
- 3) Upcoming Events; What, Where, When
- 4) Meeting Updates, Important News, Comments

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from Chapter, Committee, and District meetings can be e-mailed to stateoffice@abatemn.org.

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The State Office can print current mailing labels for your Chapter's newsletters, reminder cards, and event flyers.

Feel free to call me with questions, concerns, and inquiries 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm, or leave a message and I will return your call ASAP.

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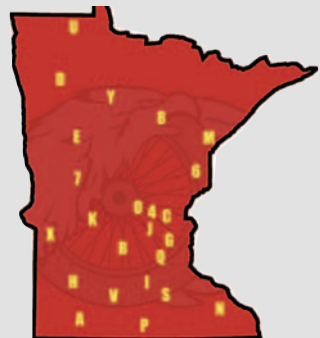
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Dear Fellow Motorcyclists:

American Bikers for Awareness, Training, and Education (A.B.A.T.E.) of Minnesota is a not for profit, grass roots organization that is committed to educating motorcyclists and the general public about motorcycling. A.B.A.T.E. members ride many different types and brands of motorcycles. We are all people with a common interest in a common activity. The fact that we share an interest in motorcycling is more important than the type of motorcycle we ride.

There are chapters of A.B.A.T.E. located throughout Minnesota. Each of these chapters is represented on the A.B.A.T.E. Board of Directors (B.O.D.). The B.O.D. also includes the A.B.A.T.E. state officers. The B.O.D. meets once each quarter to discuss the operation of the organization. In addition, each chapter holds a monthly meeting in their area of the state. A.B.A.T.E. is a member driven organization. Members are encouraged to participate in any of these meetings.

A.B.A.T.E. seeks to promote the positive aspects of motorcycling and strives to protect the rights of motorcyclists by

being involved in the local, state and national political process. Safer motorcycling, reducing accidents and fatalities can be best accomplished by education and training of both the motorcyclists and the general public, not necessarily through additional legislation.

Our ability to enjoy many freedoms while riding motorcycles in Minnesota is the direct result of the work done by motorcyclists in our state. These people have joined together to fight for our rights and freedoms.

The efforts of these people have made Minnesota a leader in motorcycle safety. We have one of the toughest licensing standards in the nation, the best public awareness programs, and the most comprehensive rider education programs in the nation. These efforts have helped reduce motorcycle accidents, injuries, and fatalities in spite of the growing number of licensed motorcyclists in Minnesota.

To continue these efforts we need your support and participation. Show your commitment to protecting and preserving

your rights as a motorcyclist in Minnesota. Participate in the meetings, rides, and the fundraising activities. You will be informed about the motorcycle activities in the state by receiving Road Noise, the A.B.A.T.E. monthly news publication. A.B.A.T.E. is fun, educational and a great way to meet people and make new friends with similar interests.

With your help, we can continue to promote the positive image of motorcyclists. If you want more information about A.B.A.T.E., please attend any of our meetings, meet other members, and ask questions.

We are pleased that you have decided your rights are worth protecting, that the positive aspects of motorcycling are worth promoting, that education is important, and that the cost of an A.B.A.T.E. membership is a small price to pay to preserve and promote these principles.

Members are the most important thing that A.B.A.T.E. has, so Thank You for becoming a member and we look forward to seeing you at our events.

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Did you attend the July Board of Directors meeting? There are a lot of exciting things happening within our organization. Where would you like to help out? We need you, and your ideas, to continue to improve our organization.

It's almost time for the A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota State Rally. Are you ready to attend? The rally committee has been working hard to make this a wonderful, busy, well-organized and fun weekend.

Bring some friends along, and lend a helping hand. Volunteering to help during the rally allows everyone a chance to participate in activities and have fun.

Summer is going fast. Get some miles on that bike, and enjoy the fresh air!

Quote of the Day:

"A straight line may be the shortest distance between two points, but it is by no means the most interesting."

– Dr. Who

Jane



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Well, I hope everyone had fun at the Freedom Rally in Iowa. I know it's always a good time and 99% of the time you get rain, which happened this year again.

And now it's time to start looking at our State Rally Labor Day weekend. It's right around the corner. It'll be here before you know it and it'll always be a good time. Looks like we have a great band lineup and there's a lot of volunteers helping to put this

on. Once you get there and would like to volunteer to help, I guarantee you, somebody will put you to work.

And once again, it looks like the chapters have been putting on a bunch of great events this summer. It's always a lot of work, but in the end, it all helps out.

Well, that's all I've got for now. I had grandkids for one week and shipped them off to the other grandmas and now we're getting ready to take them back home to Colorado Springs in the camper. Three kids, 900 Miles, and everyone wonders why I drink.

Till next time,

Jim

A.B.A.T.E. of MN State Rally

August 30 - September 2



STATE RALLY REPORT

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Next Meeting (s):

August 17th, Eagles Club, Litchfield, 12:00 pm

Rally month is finally here! Are you excited? Bring your friends to enjoy everything the rally has to offer. Participate with the bands, visit the bike games, the different contests, vendors, and the rally bonfire. This is your chance to connect with all your other chapters and celebrate the fight for our freedoms that you have worked so hard on all year long!

**Here are some important things
to know about the rally this year:**

CHAPTER CHECK OFF LIST

Help us help you during rally week. This check off list will also be handed out to each chapter at the Rally.

SETUP

You can enter the fairgrounds AFTER 3:00 pm on Sunday August 25th to setup your camper or tent early, but NOT BEFORE as we need time to do the walk through with the fair board committee. Fire Rings and Wood is available for \$10 each, starting on Thursday. Go hang up your chapter's flag on the fence by the front gate. The flags are located where the Sunday morning service are held, next to the office building.

DURING THE RALLY

Park your bikes away from the edge of the roadways in the fairgrounds to make room for tractors and golf carts. Use ashtrays for your cigarette butts not the ground. Feel free to use your own foggers to spray for bugs. No one is allowed to plug into any outlets connected to the State Products building. Blowing circuits has destroyed the product cash register in the past. Courteous quiet zone camping is available starting from the west side of the road (behind the products building) leading over to the church. No generators are allowed to be running in this quiet zone only between 10:00 pm - 8:00 am.

TEAR DOWN - MONDAY MORNING

Take out and tie your garbage bag, turn upside down the garbage barrel, leave bag next to barrel. Any other garbage items leave next to the barrel. Pick up any cigarette butts. Your fire ring needs to be cool and tipped up on its side. Leave ashes where they are. No fires on Monday morning, ashes need to have time to cool down so they can be picked up.

RALLY REMINDERS

If you need help, contact Security (wearing yellow shirts) in the office. If you are hurt, go to First Aid in the office. If you have questions, contact Rally Chair Dougie Cohen

directly at (605) 321-9613. Please sign up for a volunteer shift in the office. No pets are allowed at the fairgrounds.

BIKE SHOW

It was voted on per all your feedback to keep the bike show at the same location as last year. We appreciate your input!

VOLUNTEER SIGN UPS

We still have a lot of volunteer shifts open. We need your help!!

See open spots listed below. Contact Ingrid Cohen at (763) 516-7029 to volunteer. Each shift you work enters you in a drawing. Three worked shifts get you a volunteer patch. Drawing prizes are given out at the October B.O.D.

RALLY FLYERS

This is our last month to hang up rally flyers wherever you go. The flyer is available for download on the state website and was emailed to your chapter.

REGISTRATION

We are still looking for an assistant to help Tonja run the registration table. This person would give Tonja some relief from running the table all day and night. Call Ingrid Cohen at 763-516-7029 if you are interested.

RALLY RAFFLE TICKETS

This is our main fundraiser for the rally, so help us sell raffle tickets! Have your chapter contact Dan Matzdorff at (952) 250-5113 to get raffle tickets to sell. \$10 raffle tickets, anyone can purchase, and you do not need to be present to win. 1st Prize - \$2000, 2nd Prize - \$1750, 3rd Prize - \$1500, 4th Prize - \$1250, 5th Prize - \$1000, 6th Prize - \$750, 7th Prize - \$500, 8th Prize - \$250. Winners will be announced Sunday, September 1st at 8:00 pm.

RALLY EVENTS

Chapter Royalty Pageant, Memorial Ride, Sponsorship Ride, Bike Games, Sled Pulls, Fashion Show, Bike Show, Chili Contest, Tattoo Contest, Wet T-Shirt Contest, Rally Raffle.

ENTERTAINMENT

Five Minute Major, Coconut Tiger, Trip Dog Dare, Molly Hatchet, Austin Healey, Jam It Anyway DJ & Karaoke, Tommy Rexx

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Dougie Cohen, Rally Chair
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2024 State Rally Information

	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY
REGISTRATION 3 ½ hour shifts 8:00 am – 10:00 pm			4 open	8 open	14 open	
SECURITY 4-hour shifts 8:00 am – midnight 5-hour band shifts 7:00 pm			<u>Front Gate:</u> 4 open <u>Shuttle:</u> 4 open <u>Patrol:</u> 6 open <u>Bands:</u> 1 open	<u>Front Gate:</u> 8 open <u>Shuttle:</u> 2 open <u>Patrol:</u> 2 open	<u>Front Gate:</u> 1 open <u>Shuttle:</u> 2 open <u>Patrol:</u> 6 open <u>Bands:</u> 1 open	
FIRST AID 2-hour shifts 8:00 am - midnight			8 open	9 open	8 open	
PRODUCTS 2-hour shifts			7 open	6 open	5 open (2 hr shifts) TEARDOWN 8:00 pm 3 open	
ENTERTAINMENT STAGE		SETUP 5 open 3:00 pm			TEARDOWN 10 open 11:30 pm	
MEMORIAL RIDE ROAD GUARDS				8 open 9:30 am		
MR. POTATO HEAD	SETUP 5 open 11:00 am – 3:00 pm	SETUP 5 open 11:00 am – 3:00 pm	<u>Food prep:</u> 1 open 9:00 am – 11:00 am <u>Serve:</u> 1 open 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm	<u>Food prep:</u> 1 open 9:00 am – 11:00 am <u>Serve:</u> 1 open 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm	<u>Food prep:</u> 1 open 9:00 am – 11:00 am <u>Serve:</u> 1 open 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm	TEARDOWN 5 open 9:00 am – 12:00 pm
HAYRIDES 2-hour shifts 2:00 pm – 8:00 pm			5 open	6 open	4 open	
WASTE WARRIORS						TEARDOWN 5 open 10:00 am

If you have any suggestions or questions for the rally, email us at rally@abatemn.org.

Dougie Cohen
Rally Chair

A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota Legislative Team Report

We are creating a legislative team, the team to include four to six people but will consult with others if their skills or experience is needed.

Will include people with different political preferences and background, DFL, IR, Independent. Will include people that have different perspectives, experience, and knowledge on subjects.

Include members from different areas thus different state and federal legislative representation

Team approach spreads responsibility among several people not placing all the work on one group planning for Bikerday needs, activities, and budget. Group planning and preparing our candidate survey (after primary August 13th, 2024). Group will collaborate on talking points for our important issues.

Team may arrange local legislative gatherings, or meetings if needed. Provide assistance to members for citizen lobby methods, letter writing, legislative communication, prescient caucus training (January).

Team planning and preparing budget for necessary travel and/or other legislative expenses.

Team members will attend local meetings of the COC (Confederation of Clubs) and MMCC (Minnesota Motorcycle Club Coalition) to learn of their issues and share our activity. Team members available to travel, Bikers in the Beltway, Meeting of the minds, National Coalition of Motorcyclists conventions/ meetings, National Council of Clubs, others if needed.

Team will make recommendations to the A.B.A.T.E. board and remain accountable to

the A.B.A.T.E. board.

Team will review potential legislation, consider if it is beneficial or detrimental to motorcyclists and make recommendation to initiate, support, oppose or remain neutral. If short notice issues arise team will move forward acting in the best interest of A.B.A.T.E. our members and all motorcyclists. Team members available when testifiers are needed on issues, (often short notice).

The team will communicate and strategize with Motorcycle PAC (Political Action Committee) of Minnesota and our lobbyist. We will collaborate with other stake holders, that have an interest in, or may have the ability to affect the outcome of our efforts concerning motorcyclists. Team will put plans into action, all sharing in the responsibility, a group effort Legislative concerns and activity vary so meetings will take place as needed. Because of the changing activity in our legislature some meetings may be very short notice. Many meetings may be virtual or phone conference, but occasionally will meet in person.

We will provide timely, accurate, informative, updates on legislative issues to our members and other motorcyclists using best methods available Road Noise, Web site, Facebook, E mail blasts or personal contact if necessary A.B.A.T.E. board reports, Road Noise reports, or others will be delivered by the appropriate team member.

A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota will remain our legislative priority & loyalty.

Submitted on behalf of
A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota Legislative Team

— *frank*

FROM ROAD NOISE EDITOR: Our sincere apologies, there was a double page print in the July issue and the report from Jon Fernholz was left out. **From Jon Fernholz:** A few things have been revised but the info is the same. Please publish this version and skip republishing what I sent in for the July issue. Shit happens, thank you for all that you all do for our membership!



MOTORCYCLE SAFETY TASK FORCE

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This report was sent in time to be published for last month's Road Noise. You might have noticed that there were two pages with the same reports on them. Crap can happen between editing and the actual printing process. I am not blaming any part of the process, but instead, thanking everyone that is involved in getting a huge amount of information out to our membership on a monthly basis.

Fortunately, there won't be much new to report since the meetings are bi-monthly. Last month's report is as follows:

The afternoon prior to the task force meeting on May 16th, we gathered for a rider training event. As I've written about, this was potentially a new hybrid course referred to as Crash Avoidance Training (CAT). We were the guinea pigs to test it out. It also gave the rider coaches and their leadership an opportunity to figure out where the best vantage point, as coaches, would be to view the riders and be able to give the best feedback possible for training purposes. What was most interesting and constructive for myself, was learning what is referred to as trail braking. This is the concept of using your front brake just before and into a turn, gradually releasing front brake pressure the further your lean angle increases. A scary thought at first, but once you start to feel a little comfortable using it, it opens a whole new box of toys to explore.

The meeting started off with the announcement that the task force applicants have been appointed. We were allowed to vote on subjects as we were used to doing in the past. I am still unsure if minutes of the meeting were being recorded to disseminate to the members prior to the next meeting, but I will find out by the next meeting. Although I have not received a letter from the Commissioner, Department of Public Safety that I am appointed to the task force, which has been the norm, it is encouraging that the Secretary of State's

website reflects that members have been appointed. Slow progress folks, but it IS progress.

We had a guest speaker join us. Officer John Greene from the Edina Police Department's Motor Unit (motorcycle cop) shared about his motorcycle training experiences. He shared that the fact he had only been riding a motorcycle for a short time before taking the multiple-week course was a benefit to him because he hadn't had years of bad motorcycle riding habits to shed, and relearn. I was unaware that there were any Motor Units still in existence in this state, but he stated that Edina has four officers assigned to the unit that share two motorcycle squads. Apparently, there are a few other agencies, including the city of Eagan that have motor patrols. Officer Greene was asked by a member of the task force what he would do during the course of a legal traffic stop of a motorcyclist that did not have a valid motorcycle permit or valid endorsement. His response was to the effect of, tow it every time. Get that motorcycle off the road. He shared that knowing the dangers involved, he simply couldn't live with the idea of letting someone with zero motorcycle training leave his traffic stop and get into a life-altering, or life-ending, crash. This response garnered multiple "thank you's" from the membership of the task force.

Officer Greene was then asked by a member, "What is the Department's policy regarding the same traffic stop scenario?". His response was that it is left up to the discretion of the officer conducting the traffic stop. This is a similar response the task force has received from the State Patrol and also the Carver County Sheriff.

We have had an unfortunate spike in motorcyclist fatalities as of the last report I received on July 25th. A total of 22 fatalities so far compared to 20 on the same date last year. As I am looking over the last couple of reports, I have realized that the statistics in certain categories are fluctuating up and down. I will reach out and see if I can get some accurate information. As always, make your OWN choices and keep your head on a swivel.

Jon Fernholz



WRITE TO RIDE

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At the July Board of Directors meeting, we distributed Write Ride patches and or rocker to Tri-County, Sand Dunes and Northeast chapter members.

I apologize to a Lake chapter member; I missed distributing a rocker for her at the April Board meeting. Fortunately, the member spoke up, let me know and now we have that corrected. If I happen to miss getting patches or rockers to you or to any member of your chapter, please send me a note so we can get it corrected. The people that do the work deserve to be rewarded for their efforts

Election season is started and there is an incredible number of opportunities to meet legislators and candidates. Town hall meetings, fundraisers, parades, and the list goes on. I encourage you to take advantage of these opportunities go meet the people that may soon be deciding what rights, privileges, and obligations you have. The government is in every aspect of our lives we need to have people we trust making decisions, we need to be involved at the state and federal level. Let's find people that think the way we do and support the issues important to us and put them in charge.

The candidate you meet now may be your legislator next session. Let's help those that support of our issues get elected. When you find candidates that support us send a copy of the communication you have with them. We will record that information and track the legislators that support us and you will earn a Write to Ride patch and or rocker.

Thanks for reading.

frank



MRF REPORT

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The good news is that the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) complied with a 2022 Congressional directive to report back on the profiling of motorcyclists. The bad news is that they wrote the report, but no one in Congress was alerted. The ugly is that NHTSA's report was so unknown that just three months ago, Congress passed another law reminding NHTSA that they were owed a report and told NHTSA to hurry up.

Only in Washington D.C. does one government agency write a report and those who requested it have no idea it was written! Thankfully an eagle-eyed Motorcycle Rider Foundation (MRF) member stumbled upon the report and shined a spotlight on it. This week the MRF literally had to tell Congress that the report they requested TWICE was already released.

We often say no one is looking out for bikers but bikers. There might be no better example of that than this instance.

The five-page report is largely filled with motorcycle safety-related data and ways in which NHTSA funds safety programs. However, one key passage appears at the top. "The Committee (Appropriations) noted concerns that NHTSA may be conducting activities encouraging states to adopt legislation, regulations, or other policies that unjustly profile motorcycle riders. NHTSA does not do so."

A.B.A.T.E. of MN State Rally August 30 - September 2!



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Editor's Note: Our apologies for leaving the Publications Committee column out of the July issue of Road Noise:

Next Meeting(s):

August 11th, Zoom meeting, 11:00 am

We are all busy and with riding season in full gear. Please remember when submitting any article, advertising, or flyers they must go to roadnoise@abatemn.org.

The subject line should contain what you are sending and the information in the body of your email, the flyers, and pictures in jpeg form. We have deadlines that cannot be changed so send all information for whatever is being submitted on time. If they are not received by deadlines, we will put them in the next issue. Page 2 in all Road Noise issues has more information. See you at our Rally!!

Thank you,

Tammy



PRODUCTS REPORT

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Greetings Biker Family,

I am busy getting geared up for our State Rally, ordering the new Rally shirts and some other goodies that I hope you will like. So not much more to report on right now.

See you at the State Rally,

Kari



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With our State Rally right around the corner, I wanted to share (in part) an article from the

August 1994 Road Noise *regarding the* **6th Annual State Rally.**

"Greetings A.B.A.T.E. Brothers and Sisters. Can you remember that old John Deere laboring as it pulled your hay rack full of fun seekers touring the Rally grounds?

I can almost see it now; a weekend of camping, fine ladies dressed in their tight leathers, tattoos being shown off to anyone who enjoys looking, suntanned faces and bodies of free living scooter tramps. How about the smiles? Have you ever tried to count all the smiles you see on rally weekend? Scooter folks from every part of the state (even some out of Staters) glad to see one another and just enjoying life, sharing a common bond.

As your rally chairman, all these thoughts and scenes come to mind, plus some. As Minnesota A.B.A.T.E. members, you are lucky to have a committee of people that put together such a weekend.

The Rally committee donates time, effort, monies and materials and blends them all together with a special love that they have for our organization. They come up with a weekend experience that I am very proud to be a part of. I want to say thanks to the Rally committee for all their help and sacrifices. Without their input, this Rally would not survive. A big thanks also to all the chapters who have sent their volunteer lists, for without these people, the Rally couldn't function. So get ready, folks, it's coming straight at you, another weekend of tunes, vendors, games, and all the fun you want to make happen."

"I can see the campfire smoke curling towards the stars, hear the music from the Big Top, envision playing my harmonica for all my friends and hear the laughter of campers sitting around the evening's fire. The gathering of A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota's tribes, just makes you feel real good inside. See you at the Rally, COOP"

I thought this was rather fitting. Thank you to our current Rally Committee and be sure to help keep our A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota State Rally continue by doing your part and volunteering.

Ride Safe. Ride Free.

Gaida "G" Trout



EDUCATION

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Hello fellow freedom fighters! I am currently in the process of compiling overall rider training participation that was funded by A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota so far this year. This will simply be the number of riders trained and the general funds spent (Chapter funds, District Rider Training funds).

As far as District Rider Training (DRT) funds are concerned, the only district I am aware of that has used them so far is the Southwest District. Within that District, \$300 went to help with Lake Chapter's back-to-back rider training weekend (IRC Saturday, ARC Sunday). From what I understand, the Intermediate class was filled (12 riders) and the Advanced was close to being filled. Another \$300 went to a rider in financial need that participated in a Basic Rider Course that was contracted by Glacial Ridge Chapter. I am thrilled that the Southwest District has taken advantage of DRT funds out of the State's Education budget, and I want to remind everyone that there has been \$600 budgeted for each District during the 2024 rider training season. Please take advantage of the opportunity! I am also interested in receiving data concerning chapter funded rider training. I have sent out a chapter wide email through ZOHO, so please check your chapter account emails. At the very least, give me a call and relay the information.

I will also have an update at the B.O.D. on the number of driver's education students that have received our Sharing the Road presentation since the last board meeting. Thank you to the members Buffalo Ridge and North Star Chapters for your continual work on this endeavor.

*"Anyone who has never made a mistake
has never tried anything new."*

-Albert Einstein

Jon Fernholz

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Welcome to August, which for many means an annual pilgrimage to Sturgis. If you are one of them, please don't become a statistic.

NCOM is an acronym for the National Coalition of Motorcyclists. Which along with AIM (Aid to Injured Motorcyclists) is FREE. We only ask you to enroll and if injured in an accident to consider using the AIM attorney network.

Just-Dale



WAYS & MEANS REPORT

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Next meeting(s):

October 6th, Ugly Bar, Montrose, 12:00 pm

Our committee last met on June 30th. We looked over bills, deposits, and fundraiser reports. It was great to see everyone at the meeting and hear about all the adventures everyone is having this summer. Join us sometime and share what you and your chapter are up to. I look forward to seeing everyone at Rally. Stay safe out there.

Kristy



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Dial-A-Ride has put together the 3rd Fall Color Run at the end of September. This year we are planning a weekend campout. Dates are September 27th, 28th, and 29th. The ride again will be in Bemidji area, we have secured a spot at Grant Haven RV Park, in Wilton, the park has full electric, water hook up at each site, \$35 a night. New amenities have been added, with showers, laundry, pool table and dry bar. The plan is to do pre-registration for the ride on Friday night for the ride the next day, with a potluck for Friday night. On Saturday morning riders can come register at the campground by 9:00 am, then ride to South Lueken's in Bemidji for a second spot for registration with kick stands up at 11:00 am. The ride then is 50 miles to Federal Dam camp area where we have a vender setting up serving lunch, smash burgers, and hot dogs. The ride then will precede to Walker and stop at Dairy Queen and a fuel stop. Donation for ride registration is \$25 and rider \$10 carload \$35. The ride last year was beautiful, and we had a wonderful time. Put the dates on your calendars. All proceeds go to Dial-A-Ride to keep our trailers in good condition and hopefully add a few more trailers to get Minnesota covered.

Sharon Polman



YOUNG RIDERS REPORT

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Hi!

By the time you read this, we will have been to Millville for the youth dirt bike races. I have a list of tracks in the state of Minnesota that we could go to. Not only will we be able to talk to the youth, the parents/or whoever is in charge, they might join A.B.A.T.E. when they learn about what we do. The state park passport is going slow. I have seen a lot of youth on the back of the bikes going for their first rides, going on rides and just out enjoying life. Keep posting those pictures!

Chat soon!

Harmony

See Supporters of Young Riders on Page 25.

MEMBERSHIP & RETENTION



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The July 2nd report is in, we are continuing to go the wrong direction. I am not sure of what to do here. We are down another 27 members. Lake Chapter gained +7 members, next highest was Straight River with +5, 3rd highest increase was a tie with +4 between South Central and Central.

I like to say a BIG THANK YOU to all who helped at the membership table in Algona. It was quite an interesting year to say the least! I had 25 members sign up and work two four-hour shifts. You guys' ROCK! I have a schedule for 2025 nearly filled out already and the start of the 2026 Rally! Just trying to keep members happy. Great job of handling everything that was handed to A.B.A.T.E. of Iowa, they did the best they could to keep people, bikes, and campers safe. Our camp was flooded out three separate times! Dan went to town and bought a sump pump, who would have thought we need a pump at a July Rally. After the 2nd downpour of two inches in 45 minutes many members were evacuated. I know River Valley and Rolling Prairie were moved to higher ground, our campsite was told to move to higher ground, I told everyone if I pack up, I am going home, and I did. THANK YOU to Erin Fredricks for opening the Friday 8:00 am shift! When I got back at noon, the 12-4 shift started and we closed them at 2:00 pm. We had 0 sign-ups from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm so we closed early. I have heard some grumbling about members having to sign up with IA, here is a thought, sign up BEFORE a day or two before you leave, and remember to bring your card along. It was a weird year, if someone else would like to do this job and think they can do it better, have at it, it is a big job with no time to enjoy the Rally.

See ya down the road!

Shelly



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Not much going on. Hoping our membership drives are working. I would like to say, we need to keep our social media positive. If there is a problem, can we use a private chat to do it? We are trying to get more younger riders involved and we don't want to scare them off.

That's about it!

Harmony



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Nothing new to report. Well, I'm sure there is, I just can't think of anything right now.

Keep on Keepin on... *Shelly*



GAMBLING REPORT

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No report received.



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A.B.A.T.E University, save the dates,
April 25th - 27th.

*See You at the
A.B.A.T.E.
State Rally!*

Veteran of the Month

Dan "Hives" Bursaw

U.S. Army Vet

Glacial Ridge Chapter

*Dan, we Thank You
for your service!*

*"Home of the Free,
Because of the Brave"*



BUSINESS OF THE MONTH

Rendezvous Bar & Grill

Rendezvous Bar & Grill

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Annandale, MN 55302

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Hours of Operation 11am - 1am Everyday

Goods or services provided:

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every Saturday night

Motorcyclist friendly!

Ample street parking in front, large parking lot and patio in the back. New owners are large supporters of various motorcycle causes, and are new A.B.A.T.E. of MN members! Great food, good service and a friendly staff.

BIKER OF THE MONTH

Spoon calls her kids chickens and this is his first ride!

Jonathan is his name and he was so excited to be able to ride with Mom. Spoon recently re-joined coming to Glacial Ridge meetings.





SHELLY DEUTSCH, DIRECTOR

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With State Rally right around the corner, are you getting excited? Have you thought about bringing a friend or two along and show them we know how to have fun? I have seen messages on Facebook about the work schedules need more names on it. I have heard many people say to me when I ask them to help out, "This is my vacation, I don't want to!" Can you imagine if everyone thought that way?

You know, I never even heard of A.B.A.T.E. until Octobr of 2014, I went to a meeting with Dan in November, I joined in December, was nominated for Chapter rep in January. I had someone ask me once "how do you know so much about what's going on here." My answer was, I ask questions, I go to meetings, (a lot of meetings) if I have a suggestion, I mention it. Sometimes things work out, sometimes not. Don't let someone burst your bubble, we need leaders in all levels!

Are you reading your Road Noise, so much information is in there. How many have written letters to your legislators? We need to make sure they know where we stand on biker issues. If we don't, who can we blame when our freedoms and/or our livelihood will be gone. It's getting serious folks; you better stand up for yourself soon!!!

Until next time... *Shelly*

ROLLING PRAIRIE

Next Meeting(s):

September 6th, Last Chance Saloon, Hanska, 7:00 pm
October 5th, The 91 Bar, Hanska, 3:00 pm

Upcoming Event(s):

August 30th - September 2nd, State Rally, Meeker
County Fairgrounds, Litchfield
September 7th, Fallen Friends Memorial Ride,
Last Chance Saloon, Hanska

Hello Biker Family,

We are getting ready for the State Rally, our annual Fallen Friends Memorial Ride, and our 2nd annual Family Fun Day.

The Fallen Friends Memorial Ride will be on September 7th with registration from 10 am-11:30 am, a short memorial service at 11:30 am, and kickstands up at Noon. Cost is \$20 for driver, \$10 for passengers. Burger bar following the ride. We look forward to seeing you on this ride.

The Family Fun Day is still in the planning stages and we will update you as soon as we can nail down all the details.

I think that is all for now,

– Giggles

BUFFALO RIDGE

Hello Freedom Fighters!

The Buffalo Ridge Chapter presented two sessions of "Share the Road" in June, which officially brings our overall total to 1,066 kids! We have more classes scheduled in July and August but won't have those numbers by publication time. Our chapter invested in lanyards, and the kids are enjoying those, along with the A.B.A.T.E. keychains. We have officially exhausted our supply of t-shirts, handing out the last ones at the April class.

New addition to our presentation (as requested by the driver's ed instructor) is an overview of the lane splitting legislation. We feel this is important to educate the kids, who are often apprehensive about driving the way it is. Lane splitting isn't an issue in out-state Minnesota, but if any of these kids travels to the metro area, we want to prepare them for what they may encounter. We want to thank Frank Ernst for the breakdown of the new law, as he has been more than generous with his feedback to our chapter.

Thanks for reading!

– Kris Gruhot
Sec/Treas - Buffalo Ridge Chapter



**Buddy Bear drop off at
Loretto Fire Department**

LAKE

Next Meeting(s):

September no chapter meeting.

September 1st, District Meeting, Lake Chapter Tent,
Rally Grounds, Litchfield, 9:00 am

Upcoming Event(s):

August 6th, MN day in Central City, SD

We headed up to our chapter meeting/campout in Breezy Point for our July meeting. Our August meeting was held in Waverly at the Uptown Bar at the end of July to allow for members to attend Sturgis. We will not be having a September meeting but feel free to join us for the district meeting under the Lake Chapter tent.

Our Spring into Summer Run, although very wet, was an afternoon full of laughter and fun. Thank you to the S.O.S for hosting our starting point. Attendees enjoyed drying off while shopping at Zap Leather. It is always nice to see Chuck and Tiff. Thank you to them for the \$25 gift certificate that we were able to giveaway during our run.

Our first Buddy Bear drop off was at the Loretto Fire Department. Thank you to all you joined us.

With the 2024 Grounded Hogs event behind us we are beginning preparations for the 2025 Grounded Hogs. We will again be running our sponsorship program. If you would like to be a sponsor, please reach out any chapter member. Everett Smithson will again be our entertainment. Jim Kosse is looking to build a bike sculpture out of old motorcycle parts. If you have any to donate, please contact him. This event supports A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota, Motorcycle PAC of Minnesota, the Motorcycle Riders Foundation and Dial-A-Ride.

Start saving your photos for the 2025 calendar. It is never too early to start preparing those can be emailed to lakechaptermn@gmail.com. Thank You to our 2025 Grounded Hogs Sponsors: **Gold:** Frederick Creek Sheet Metal, Keith "Smoker" Efron, Family Counseling Center, Buzz and Karen. **Silver:** **Bronze:**

Until next month my friends- Ride Free
– April



At the end of our Adventures Rainy Run.

SOUTHWEST

Next Meeting(s):

August 9th, Rushmore Community Center,
7:00 pm

September 9th, Rushmore Community Center,
7:00 pm

On July 13th our burger feed fundraiser will be held. (yep, it's old news now!)

Algona Freedom Rally 2024 was a memorable event! It was not for the weak of heart. There was plenty of mud and beer for everyone! But, life is what you make it, and we embraced the conditions. The bands were great!

Keep our military and their families in your thoughts and prayers.

Stay safe and have a great summer!

BAM

– Becky Murphy



WAY WEST

Next Meeting(s):

August 25th, Litchfield Rally Grounds, 2:00 pm
September 29th, Gnome Park, Dawson, 12:00 pm

Upcoming Event(s):

State RALLY in Litchfield-Labor Day Weekend

Happy Rally month everyone. Man, does summer fly by fast. Way West is in charge of working Thursday morning of the rally and we need a crew to do this! Our August meeting is being held a week prior to the rally at the rally grounds. Those that want to set up camp on that day are free to do so after 2:00 pm.

We're also in charge of running bike games for Saturday and Sunday at the rally and will need a crew for that, so plan on attending. It's an awesome time.

Kuddos to all of you that survived Algona. You are all my spirit animals.

Keep your knees in the breeze,
– Gypsy Mama

SOUTH CENTRAL

Next Meeting(s):

August 7th, Riverside Bar, Forest City, 7:00 pm
August 28th, (September Meeting), Rally
Fairgrounds, Litchfield, 7:00 pm
October 2nd, Valley Inn, Eden Valley, 7:00 pm

Upcoming Event(s):

August 11th, Eagles Club Annual Breast Cancer Run,
Litchfield, 10:30 am
August 28th, South Central Burger Night, Litchfield
Fairgrounds, 5:30 pm

In June we had our Burger Day at Meis Outland in Watkins, and our 6th annual Fun Run Membership Drive. Huge thank you to all those that volunteered, and a big shout out to Jen & Doug, Kristy & Bill, for being once again awesome hosts!! Yes, it was rainy, but we still had a blast!!

We also had fun at Bike Night at the VFW in Hutchinson. Don't forget to watch our Facebook group for impromptu rides.

Congrats to our South Central ladies, Amanda Weibel, Pat Haugen, and Myah Zwart, who passed their beginner's course. Thank you to Glacial Ridge chapter for hosting this all-women's class.

I cannot believe August is here, and rally month is upon



us. Have you signed up to volunteer yet? Bring your friends this year, let's blow the attendance numbers out of the water!

Our South Central annual burger night at the rally fairgrounds will be Wednesday, August 28th at 5:30 pm. Come join us to help donate to the PAC.

Sunday, August 11th is the Litchfield Eagles annual Breast Cancer Run. Registration is at 10:30, kick stands up at 11:00. All proceeds go to the hospital for women who cannot afford mammograms. Hope to see you there!

Ride Safe & Free,

Ingrid Cohen, Secretary

GLACIAL RIDGE

Next Meeting(s):

August 3rd, Marcia's Bar, Brooten, 6:00 pm
August 31st, September Meeting held at rally, 6:00 pm

Upcoming Event(s):

August 9th - 11th Campout, Kandiyohi County Park

We are planning to have another camp out August 9th-11th. We plan on getting the canoes and kayaks out. Not much else going on in our chapter, other than just trying to get life to slow down and enjoy our friends and family.



NORTHEAST DISTRICT

Chapter Grapevines

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No Report Received

JACK PINE RIDERS

Next Meeting(s):

August 18th, Nickerson Bar, Nickerson, 10:00 am
September 15th, Marge's Pub & Grub, Brook Park,
1:00 pm

Upcoming Events:

August 1st-11th, 84th Annual Sturgis Rally, Sturgis, SD
August 18th, Memorial Ride weekend. Ride ends at
Nickerson Bar. Riding/Camping/Bonfire and more.
Camping overnight. Meet at Rock Creek Pit Stop
(Hwy 35&70) at 11:00 am or Banning Junction at
12:00 pm for the memorial ride. Ride leaves at
noon. Food, drinks, available at Nickerson Bar.
Chapter meeting at Nickerson Bar the next morning.

Another Shakedown is in the books. Thank you to all
those that supported A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota by
attending The Jack Pine Riders 18th Annual Upper
Kettle River Shakedown. Thank you to all those that
helped in setting this event up, helped take it down,
sponsored this event, and all those that worked so
hard throughout the year to make this event possible.
THANK YOU!

The next roadside cleanup is scheduled for September
15th - 11:00 am sharp. Chapter meeting to follow
highway clean up. The last cleanup had a great turn
out. Thank you to all who helped out with this
worthwhile endeavor.

Keep in mind, you do not need to be a Jack Pine
Riders member to attend any J.P.R. event. Members
are encouraged to attend. And better yet, members
are encouraged to bring a friend. Non-members are
encouraged to stop by and see what we are all about.

For more events, check the Road Noise calendar of
events.

Also be sure to check your sister chapter grapevines
for more events. For updated chapter/ events and
information, log on to our website:
<http://www.jackpineriders.org>
Or check out the Jack Pine Riders Facebook page.

Respectfully, The Grapevine Jesus

METRO

Next Meeting(s):

August 13th, VFW, Coon Rapids, 7:00 pm
September 10th, VFW, Coon Rapids, 7:00 pm
October 8th, VFW, Coon Rapids, 7:00 pm

Upcoming Event(s):

August 12th, Taco night, Casa Rio
September 11th, Taco night, Casa Rio
October 7th, Taco night, Casa Rio
Sunday Brunch at Route 47 Pub and Grub 7820
University Ave NE, Fridley. Please check our
website: www.metroMN.com for dates.

I would like start with Tina Merritt won best paint at
our MetroMorial. I apologize for not having her name
in the last issue of Road Noise.

Our fall event is starting to come together. We will
have a date set by the next Road Noise issue. It looks
like mid to the end of October is our best shot. The
bike run will be held with the fall event.

There has been a lot of discussion among the chapter
about the Lane Splitting bill that has recently passed.
Some like and some don't. You don't have to lane filter
if you don't want to. It's your choice.

We have received our Buddy Bears and are currently
looking for places to donate them. It's slow going as
we are looking for places we have not donated the
Buddy Bears to in the past. It will take time and it will
work out.

By the time this issue of the Road Noise goes to print,
Sturgis will be underway. I look forward to hearing
about other people's stories when we all return.

What does Shadow know? Find out in the next issue.

Stay safe,

– Shadow

UP NORTH

No Report Received

EAST CENTRAL

Next Meeting(s):

August 4th, American Legion, St. Francis, 11:00 am

Upcoming Event(s):

August 24th, Joe Boys Run (Road Guards)

August 30th - September 2nd, State Rally, Litchfield

November 23rd, Turkey Bowling, American Legion,
St. Francis

February 8th, Heart On, American Legion, St. Francis

NORTHEAST

Hello all,

Things have picked up again with some good riding weather finally.

We are looking forward to the startup of local biker events and rally's, something happening pretty much every weekend.

Dorrie's annual awareness rally has come and gone for the twelfth year with fifty plus people attending. We lined both sides of the street and held up various signs promoting driver and rider safety as well as pro-motorcycle slogans. The response from the locals is very positive with many people commenting either seeing us in person or on the news. Thank you Dorrie Meyer for arranging this event every year and giving us the chance to get out and be heard.

– Ride safe, Ed

SAND DUNES

Next Meeting(s):

August 11th The Buff, Big Lake, 5:00 pm

September 8th, The Buff, Big Lake, 5:00 pm

October 13th, The Buff, Big Lake, 5:00 pm

Upcoming Event(s):

August 3rd - 11th, 84th Annual Sturgis Rally,

August 30th - September 2ND, Minnesota State

A.B.A.T.E. Rally, Litchfield

September 14th Sand Dunes Fall Ride, Time
and Location TBD

Sand Dunes did not have a meeting between publications so there is really not much new to report. We did have members represent at the Summer Hummer. By the time this report is published Sand Dunes will have completed a Road Guard class enabling more of us to guard on our rides and to be available to other chapters.

Right now Sturgis is on and the State Rally is not far behind. I will be at both events and so will many of our chapter members. That's all I have for now. Short and sweet.

– Take care, Mike Olkives

CENTRAL

Next Meeting(s):

August 4th, Tavern on First, Little Falls, 12:00 pm

September 1st, Meeker County Fairgrounds

State Rally, Litchfield

October 6th, Legion, Clearwater, 12:15 pm

November 3rd Ultimate Bar, Waite Park, 12:00 pm

Upcoming Event(s):

Biker Bash Revival is coming up real quick!

August 15th, 16th and 17th

Thursday August 15th: Jam it Anyway Entertainment

Friday August 16th: Crimson Edge

Saturday August 17th: Diamond Back

We are still looking for vendors and sponsors, please contact Joe Bud Wiser for more information. If you are looking for camping, please contact Ron Rolfes for a reservation. Hope to see you all there!

We had the chance to go out the Sand Dunes Rodeo. Great location and fun for all. They had an amazing turn out. And always a good time seeing other Chapters.

From our May ride we got together and presented Terebinth Refuge with a check for a total of \$2993! Can't wait for next year and what all we can make of it.

From the stories we heard Algona was a great time and just a little wet! Haha . . . but a safe and fun time all around.

There was also a ride and celebration of life for a fallen member on June 22nd. R.I.P. George, you will never be forgotten. Thank you for all that you did for all of us, Central Chapter and A.B.A.T.E.

Until next month,

– Cowboy and Ling

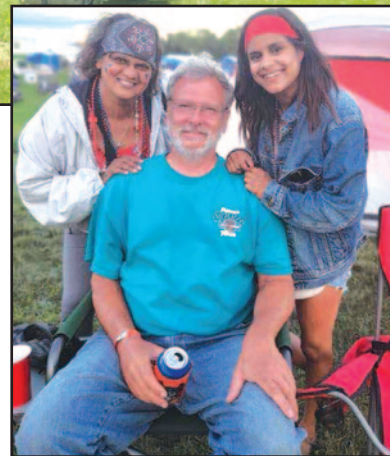
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Central Chapter presented Terebinth Refuge a check for \$2993!



**A.B.A.T.E. Central
Chapter
photographs.**



Northwest District Chapter Grapevines

FREEDOM FIRST RIDERS

Next Meeting(s):

August 10th, Forada City Park, 11:00 am

The summer is flying by, hopefully everyone is getting out and getting some riding in.

At our last meeting, which was poorly attended, there was some discussion about next year's Bike Show. With the RCC doing their expansion project, the committee is looking for a different venue, or a different idea for a fundraiser that might make up for those donation dollars. Please contact the Bike Show Committee if you have any ideas.

Lots of rides that are still out there for many great causes, if you are interested. Also, I will have information from the July B.O.D. to put out in the next few meetings.

"Expect the Unexpected"

– Big Papa

BORDERLAND

No Report Received

NORTH STAR

No Report Received



NORTHWEST DISTRICT

Chapter Grapevines

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HOWDY FOLKS!!ate Rayy

Sturgis Baby!! As you are reading this some of us are enjoying the hills and Gods beauty in South Dakota.

Minnesota A.B.A.T.E. State Rally!!! YES!!! The Next great event to come. Please Bring a friend, a brother, a sister, a girlfriend? Bring them ALL! MOLLY HATCHET will be there!!!

Also, Please take a couple hours to help with a shift. This allows someone else to enjoy the Rally for a bit. I say it Every Year, This WILL BE THE BEST RALLY EVER!!!!

As I read the Road Noise I see many different chapter fundraisers and good times. Take time to visit the surrounding chapters.

As Always, WE Could use More Members. Help spread the word.

TAKE CARE and RIDE FREE *Edgar*

HEART OF THE LAKES

Next Meeting(s):

August 11th, Jess & Rory Olson's, 42463 County Hwy 14, Richville, 7:00 pm

Wow, August already, where did July sneak off to? I hope that you all had safe travels to and from Sturgis and great times there.

A young, bright minded coworker of mine asked me when the design of motorcycles changed to the more aerodynamic look, I didn't have that answer so of course I hit the internet. I didn't pinpoint an exact time frame or even come remotely close to answering that question because I became completely distracted by Sylvester Roper, an American Inventor, and his 1867 Velocipede. What pray tell is a Velocipede you ask? A motorcycle that was powered by a steam combustible engine of course! This bike had a 49 inch wheel base, sat on 34 inch tires that had rims made of very little iron and wood, yep, WOOD, wood spokes, spoon brake system(the lever and block system) with a WOOD block for a brake pad (just hit up your nearest tree for replacement), unless you splurged and sought the upgraded pads, that came with a piece of leather for better stopping power, a twin cylinder engine with a 2.25 in bore (what enormous pistons right?) that was all powered by steam from the water reservoir that was your seat.

Oh, did I mention that you used a hand pump while riding to transfer water out of said reservoir to propel yourself to the great speed of 40 mph, heehee. 40

doesn't seem like anything to write home about however look an image of this thing up, it was basically an old school, big wheel, bicycle with an engine, NO thought given to balancing, No comfort for the rider but man what an ingenious concept, (almost as good as the bacon grease powered bike at the Spam Museum)! I couldn't find any numbers for range on a tank of water but I can't imagine it was verra far. Plan your trip around the lakes and ponds! Looking at that bike and my current, as cool as the whole concept is, I am sure glad the motorcycle engineers have come as far as they have.

Gods keep you all.

– Jess

NORTHWEST

Next Meeting(s):

July 27th, Mentor Muni, 11:00 am. Ride to follow - weather permitting.
September 6th, Chainsaw's, 8:00 pm.

Upcoming Events:

August 17th, Membership ride. This ride will start and end at Joe Shimpas. Kickstands up at 10:00 am.
September 7th, Food/Toy run. This ride will start and end at Chainsaws. Kickstands up at 10am.

The 2025 Ride-In will be held May 30th - June 1st in St. Hilaire MN. Please mark your calendars and plan to join us for our 36th Ride-In.



SOUTHEAST DISTRICT

Chapter Grapevines

MIKE BURGESS, DIRECTOR

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Another Freedom Rally in the books. I hope everybody had fun and stayed dry. I hope everyone is signed up for a shift at the State Rally to help. Let's get out and sell Raffle tickets for the rally, as it is a big fundraiser for us. Let's all get out and try to get new members as we are riding this summer. Until next time, ride free.

Mike

RIVER VALLEY

Next Meeting(s):

August 11th, Eagles Club, Mankato, 12:00 pm

September 8th, Eagles Club, Mankato, 12:00 pm

Upcoming Event(s):

August 24th, River Valley Gives Back Ride and Fundraiser

August 30th-September 2nd, State Rally, Meeker County Fairgrounds, Litchfield

Buddy Bears Run, TBD

Hello All!

I hope everyone is having a great summer... it sure is moving fast! But there is so much more fun coming up, so keep an eye out for all the rides and events in your Road Noise and on the chapters Facebook pages.

Wow, what a unique time that was had in Algona with all the rain! Our little areas were a bit "moist" but we made the best of it and there was still plenty of fun and laughter! And of course it was a pleasure uniting with our Iowa A.B.A.T.E. family for their 40th Freedom Rally!

It's time again for our RIVER VALLEY GIVES BACK RIDE and FUNDRAISER!!!! This year we are excited to "give back" to the North Mankato Police Reserves! They've been there for us, for many years, during our Motorcycle Awareness Parade, without asking anything in return. The ride is scheduled for Saturday, August 24th, rain or shine! Check out our Facebook page for details. We hope to see many of you there!

We are very much looking forward to seeing everyone at our Labor Day weekend Motorcycle State Rally at the Meeker County Fairgrounds in Litchfield coming in September! It will be great to see everyone once again! Don't forget to check and see what volunteer

openings there still are... the more there is to help out then the more time we have to have fun.

And of course, welcome to our new members and thank you to those who renewed their memberships. We are looking forward to seeing you at our monthly meetings and chapter's rides and events! And please encourage anyone you know to join A.B.A.T.E. Every membership helps!

Enjoy your summer and keep it shiny side up!

– Anthony Crandell , President

STRAIGHT RIVER

Next Meeting(s):

August 11th, JayCee Park, Owatonna

September 8th, Box Car, Waseca

October 13th, Channel Inn, Warsaw

Hope you are all getting plenty of wind therapy in between the thunderstorms!

Straight River is working to get the Red, White & Blue Benefit finalized.

Saturday, August 10th, sign up Reggie's Brew House Owatonna 10-11:30, kickstands up 11:30, meal specials, live music, and a silent auction in Warsaw at the Channel Inn. Fender Bender starts playing at 5:30. We hope to see anyone that can make it.

Happy Trails!

– Mike Smith

Straight River A.B.A.T.E President

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SOUTHEAST LC

Next Meeting(s):

August 18th, VFW, Rochester, 11:00 am
September 15th, VFW, Rochester, 11:00 am
October 20th, VFW, Rochester 11:00 am

Upcoming Event(s):

August 13th, Southeast LC Bike Night, Tillys, Oronoco,
5:00 pm - 9:00 pm
August 30th-September 2nd - A.B.A.T.E. of MN 2024
State Motorcycle Rally, Meeker County Fairgrounds,
Litchfield
September 10th, Southeast LC Bike Night, Tillys,
Oronoco, 5:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Hi Everyone:

I hope your summer is going well. Mine has been really good although it's going way too fast. By the time you read this, the summer will be almost half gone. UGH. Hopefully, everyone is getting a lot of riding in between the rain drops. I don't know about you but I'm done with the rain.

My husband and I just got back from the Iowa Freedom Rally, and we had a blast even though the rain was a pain in the butt. It was fun seeing so many members from Minnesota A.B.A.T.E. there. I felt bad for all those who lost tents and shelters to the flooding in some areas. Thankfully there were no injuries or worse due to the flooding and mud.

By the time you read this our Summer Shenanigans Party will have come and gone, and hopefully, we will have a good turnout and the rain will stay away for a few days.

We will be getting ready to go out and deliver our Buddy Bears. We will plan some rides and those who would like to ride along, you are more than welcome to come along. Watch our Facebook page for updates on when the rides will be.

We welcome all new members and look forward to seeing you at our monthly meetings listed above. Fresh ideas are always welcome. And to existing members, thank you for renewing your memberships and don't forget about the monthly meetings.

Just a heads up, there may not be an article in the September Grapevine as I will be out of town for several weeks and won't be able to do the article. I'm sorry for any inconvenience this may cause.

Have a great rest of your summer,

– Terry Panek

TRI COUNTY

Next Meeting(s):

August 1st, Cys Bar, Chaska, 7:00 pm
September 14th, Carver Beach Playground, 900 Carver Beach Rd, Chanhassen, meeting 10:30 am, followed by Freedom Social 12:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Upcoming Event(s):

August 17th, Harley Heaven Memorial Motorcycle Ride leaves Jordan at 12:00 pm
September 14th, Freedom Social, Chanhassen (see above information)
September 22nd, Adopt-A-Highway pickup, South of Jordan by trains, 10:00 am

Thank you to Road Noise editors for allowing me to submit this late! I'll keep it short and sweet!

A special thanks to Jon and Kristy for hosting our meeting and making us supper! We had 20+ members attend!! And a warm welcome to Ben, Jon's friend, for joining A.B.A.T.E. Welcome!!

Our chapter sponsored event, Freedom Social, will be held September 14th from 12:00 pm - 4:00 pm in Chanhassen with our chapter meeting preceding from 10:30 am - 12:00 pm. Free food, pop, games and social gathering will provide your days agenda! Please come and celebrate our freedom (and Bill's birthday)! See the Road Noise ad about this event!

Thank you Bill & Frank for providing the food after the Intermediate Riders Course at Hennepin Vo Tech! Everyone enjoyed themselves! Our chapter members are the best!!!

– Later peace out. Ger

Thanks to our Proud Supporters!

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Tri-County chapter A.B.A.T.E. of MN	June 23 - May 25
Bob & Toni McChesney	August 23-July 24
Glacial Ridge chapter A.B.A.T.E. of MN	Aug.23-July 24
Buffalo Ridge chapter A.B.A.T.E. of MN	November 23 - October 24
Kris Gruhot	November 23 - October 24
Lake chapter A.B.A.T.E. of MN	Jan.24 - December 24
Bergdale Harley Davidson,	January 24 - December 24
Albert Lea MN	January 24 - December 24
Freedom First chapter A.B.A.T.E. of MN	Feb. 24 - Jan.25
Stephanie Christensen	March 24 - August 24
Rolling Prairie	June 24-May 25
East Central chapter A.B.A.T.E. of MN	June 24- May 25

Would you like to become a Young Riders supporter?

Donations should be forwarded to
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FLATLANDERS

Next Meeting(s)/Event(s):

August 24th, Buddy Bear Run, Kipp and Christy Fuller's home, 205 N. Ermina Ave., Albert Lea, 11:00 am
September 14th, Summers Done Run, Tony and Stacy Roe's home, 20261 890th Ave., Albert Lea, 10:00 am

Greetings from the Flatlanders!!

Another Algona Rally is in the books. It was quite different this year than years past, with torrential rains and flooding, but everyone made the best of it and had a good time.

What we all can take away from this event is the teamwork displayed by the A.B.A.T.E. members and volunteers and them working together to keep everyone safe and the rally going!! Their actions can be applied to everything we do in our chapters!!

As bikers and freedom fighters, we need to work

together to continue to ride the way we choose, dress the way we choose, modify our rides the way we choose...It's about choice!! Our lifestyle, our choice!!

We also need to work together when fundraising and gaining new members. These items should not fall upon the shoulders of the few, but should be spread across the masses. TOGETHER we can do great things!!

So as always, support the chapter fundraisers, make it a goal to bring in one new member, spend your gambling money, and when volunteers are requested ... STEP UP!!

Heads up!!! Our Summers Done Run is scheduled for September 14th this year. Hope to see you there.

Peace, Love and Hugs

– Michele Legried, State Secretary
A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota

See You at the A.B.A.T.E. State Rally!

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Date	Chapter	Location	Time
8/1/24	Tri-County Chapter Meeting	Cy's Bar, Chaska	7:00 PM
8/2/24	84th Annual Sturgis Rally	Sturgis, SD	
8/3/24	84th Annual Sturgis Rally	Sturgis, SD	
8/3/24	Glacial Ridge Chapter Meeting	Marcia's Bar, Broton	6:00 PM
8/4/24	84th Annual Sturgis Rally	Sturgis, SD	
8/4/24	Central Chapter Meeting	American Legion, St. Francis	11:00 AM
8/5/24	84th Annual Sturgis Rally	Sturgis, SD	
8/6/24	84th Annual Sturgis Rally	Sturgis, SD	
8/6/24	MN Day in Central City	Central City, SD	
8/7/24	84th Annual Sturgis Rally	Sturgis, SD	
8/7/24	South Central Chapter Meeting	Riverside Bar, Forest City	7:00 PM
8/8/24	84th Annual Sturgis Rally	Sturgis, SD	
8/9/24	84th Annual Sturgis Rally	Sturgis, SD	
8/9/24	Glacial Ridge Chapter Campout	Games Lake County Park, Kandiyohi	
8/9/24	Southwest Chapter Meeting	Community Center, Rushmore	7:00 PM
8/10/24	84th Annual Sturgis Rally	Sturgis, SD	
8/10/24	Freedom First Riders Chapter Meeting	Forada City Park	11:00 AM
8/10/24	Glacial Ridge Chapter Campout	Games Lake County Park, Kandiyohi	
8/10/24	Red, White & Blue Benefit - Straight River Chapter	Reggie's Brew House, Owatonna	10:00 AM
8/11/24	84th Annual Sturgis Rally	Sturgis, SD	
8/11/24	South Central Chapter Eagles Annual Breast Cancer Run	Eagles, Litchfield	10:30 AM
8/11/24	Glacial Ridge Campout	Games Lake County Park, Kandiyohi	
8/11/24	Heart of the Lakes Chapter Meeting	Jess and Rory Olson's home, Richville	7:00 PM
8/11/24	Publication Committee Meeting	Zoom Call	11:00 AM
8/11/24	River Valley Chapter Meeting	Eagles Club, Mankato	12:00 PM
8/11/24	Sand Dunes Chapter Meeting	The Buff, Big Lake	5:00 PM
8/11/24	Straight River Chapter Meeting	Jaycee Park, Owatonna	
8/12/24	Metro Chapter Taco Night	Casa Rio	
8/13/24	Metro Chapter Meeting	VFW, Coon Rapids	7:00 PM
8/13/24	Southeast LC Chapter Bike Night	Tillys, Oronoco	5 - 9:00 PM
8/15/24	Biker Bash Revival - Central Chapter	Morrison County Fairgrounds	
8/16/24	Biker Bash Revival - Central Chapter	Morrison County Fairgrounds	
8/17/24	Biker Bash Revival - Central Chapter	Casa Rio, Anoka	
8/17/24	Chris Devoto Memorial Ride	Neisens Bar, Henderson	11:00 AM
8/17/24	Harley Heaven Ride	Jordan	12:00 PM
8/17/24	Northwest Chapter Membership Ride	Joe Shimpas	10:00 AM
8/17/24	State Rally Committee Meeting	Eagles Club, Litchfield	12:00 PM
8/17/24	VFW Summerfest	Monticello	
8/18/24	Memorial Ride Weekend - Jack Pine Riders	Rock Creek Pit Stop / Banning Junction	11:00 AM / 12:00 PM
8/18/24	Jack Pine Riders Chapter Meeting	Nickerson Bar, Nickerson	10:00 AM
8/18/24	Southeast LC Chapter Meeting	VFW, Rochester	11:00 AM
8/24/24	River Valley Chapter Gives Back Ride and Fundraiser		
8/24/24	Flatlanders Chapter Meeting	Kipp and Christy Fuller's home	11:00 AM
8/24/24	Joe Boys Run (Road Guards)		
8/25/24	Way West Chapter Meeting	Meeker Fairgrounds, Litchfield	2:00 PM
8/28/24	South Central Chapter Meeting	Meeker Fairgrounds, Litchfield	7:00 PM
8/28/24	South Central Chapter Burger Night	Meeker Fairgrounds, Litchfield	5:30 PM
8/30/24	MN State ABATE Rally	Meeker Fairgrounds, Litchfield	
8/31/24	Glacial Ridge Chapter Meeting	Meeker Fairgrounds, Litchfield	6:00 PM
8/31/24	MN State ABATE Rally	Meeker Fairgrounds, Litchfield	
9/1/24	Central Chapter Meeting	Meeker Fairgrounds, Litchfield	12:00 PM
9/1/24	MN State ABATE Rally	Meeker Fairgrounds, Litchfield	
9/1/24	SW District Meeting	Lake Chapter Tent, Rally Grounds	9:00 AM
9/2/24	MN State ABATE Rally	Meeker Fairgrounds, Litchfield	

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

9/6/24	Northwest Chapter Meeting	Chainsaws	8:00 PM
9/6/24	Rolling Prairie Chapter Meeting	Last Chance Saloon, Hanska	7:00 PM
9/7/24	Rolling Prairie Chapter Fallen Friends Memorial Ride	Last Chance Saloon, Hanska	
9/7/24	Northwest Chapter Food/Toy Run	Chainsaws	10:00 AM
9/8/24	River Valley Chapter Meeting	Eagles Club, Mankato	12:00 PM
9/8/24	Sand Dunes Chapter Meeting	The Buff, Big Lake	5:00 PM
9/8/24	Straight River Chapter Meeting	Box Car, Waseca	
9/10/24	Metro Chapter Meeting	VFW, Coon Rapids	7:00 PM
9/10/24	Southeast LC Chapter Bike Night	Tillys, Oronoco	5-9:00 PM
9/11/24	Metro Chapter Taco Night	Casa Rio, Anoka	
9/13/24	Flatlanders Chapter Summers Done Run	Tony and Stacy Roe's home, Albert Lea	12:00 PM
9/14/24	Flatlanders Chapter Summers Done Run		
9/14/24	Flatlanders Chapter Meeting	Tony and Stacy Roe's home, Albert Lea	10:00 AM
9/14/24	Sand Dunes Chapter Fall Ride	TBD	TBD
9/14/24	Tri-County Chapter Meeting	Carver Beach Playground, Chanhassen	10:30 AM
9/14/24	Tri-County Chapter Freedom Social	Carver Beach Playground, Chanhassen	12 - 4:00 PM
9/15/24	Jack Pine Riders Chapter Highway Pickup		11:00 AM
9/15/24	Jack Pine Riders Chapter Meeting	Marge's Pub & Grub, Brook Park	1:00 PM
9/15/24	Southeast LC Chapter Meeting	VFW, Rochester	11:00 AM
9/22/24	Tri-County Chapter Highway Pickup	Jordan	10:00 AM
9/29/24	Way West Chapter Meeting	Gnome Park, Dawson	12:00 PM
10/2/24	South Central Chapter Meeting	Valley Inn, Eden Valley	7:00 PM
10/6/24	Central Chapter Meeting	American Legion, Clearwater	12:15 PM
10/6/24	Way and Means Committee Meeting	Ugly Bar, Montrose	12:00 PM
10/7/24	Metro Chapter Taco Night	Casa Rio, Anoka	
10/8/24	Metro Chapter Meeting	VFW, Coon Rapids	7:00 PM
10/13/24	Sand Dunes Chapter Meeting	The Buff, Big Lake	5:00 PM
10/13/24	Straight River Chapter Meeting	Channel Inn, Warsaw	
10/20/24	Southeast LC Chapter Meeting	VFW, Rochester	11:00 AM

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2ND ANNUAL



ROYALTY PAGEANT

CHAPTER CHALLENGE AT THE STATE RALLY

When: 5:00 pm, Friday, August 30, 2024

**Where: On the main stage at the ABATE of MN State Rally,
Meeker County Fair-grounds.**

Each chapter is to email their King and Queen nominee's to debkviz@outlook.com, no later than August 15th, (Please no couples or dating nominee's), on the email please include your chapter along with your nominee's names.

The pageant will include 3 rounds:

1. Introduction of Nominee's by Chapter
2. Interview of Women and Men separately (Judges will eliminate down to 3 Each men and Women)
3. Questions and Answers for the 3 chosen contestants (Judges will choose 2nd, 1st and winners)

Judging Criteria

Three judges will be chosen in advance of the State Rally



The Pageant Criteria will be:

1. Unique Appearance/Wardrobe
2. Personality/Character/Presentation/Articulation
3. Applause/ Crowd reaction
4. Understand and complete their obligation to their position/Commitment/Dedication

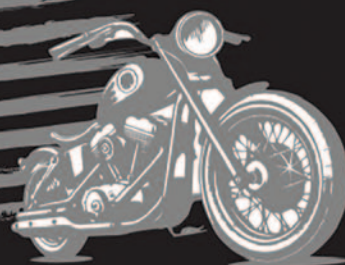
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August 15th, 16th, 17th 2024

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RULES:

- Must be a member of Young Riders.
- Must have a photo showing Young Rider member at the State Park sign, must have a photo release for anyone in the photo.
- Photo must be date stamped or you must provide other method to verify date of visit.
- Runs from April 15th, 2024, until April 20th, 2025
- Prizes awarded at A.B.A.T.E. University on April 26, 2025

How to enter:

- Send a picture of the Young Rider member name and location of the Minnesota State Park to youngriders@abatemn.org or Facebook messenger.

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