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A PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS: Motorcycles provide fuel efficient transportation for commuting, touring, recreation, relaxation, and enjoyment; and
- WHEREAS: Motorcycles are encountered less frequently on Minnesota roadways during winter months; and
- WHEREAS: Motorcyclists are taking to the road in greater numbers as spring arrives; and
- WHEREAS: Increased awareness of motorcyclists by motorists can reduce the number of crashes on our roadways; and
- WHEREAS: Observance of motorcycling safety and awareness calls attention to improving highway safety;
- THEREFORE: Be it resolved that American Bikers for Awareness Training and Education of Minnesota
- Proclaims: May 2024 Motorcycle Safety and Awareness month



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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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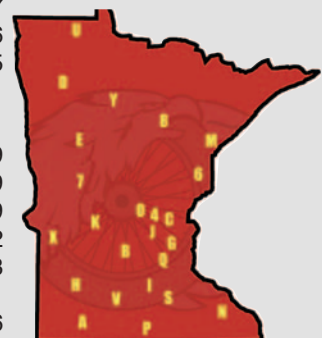
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Dear Fellow Motorcyclists:

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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Things are happening very fast at the Capitol. Since Bikerday, I have been there twice to testify in the Senate Transportation Committee. (That's between March 13th and April 8th.)

Thanks to Mack and Frank for helping me with information and coaching! I feel like things went very well.

Please work together to resolve any conflicts within your chapter before they become huge issues. Remember, you can call on your District Director for help. If necessary, Jim and I are willing to help out. We need to work together to achieve our goals. Friendly faces are much more appealing than a room full of tension.

I truly hope that you are taking time to enjoy the beautiful days of spring and getting some time on your bike! Share your adventures on social media - Harmony can help you! She loves to see people getting active, with positive activities, on social media. You never know, it just might get the attention of some new members.

Be safe, and keep an eye on our freedom to ride!

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Well, it was great to get out and see everybody at A.B.A.T.E. University. It's just another reminder that Spring is here. It's always nice to meet old and new faces. As for you new officers, welcome to the jungle.

And to let everyone know, as a lot of you already do, you can always give me a call anytime with any questions or concerns.

Did everyone get a chance to sign up for a shift for the rally this year? It looks like it's going to be another great rally and hopefully this year it won't be quite as hot, seeing as we received our warm weather this winter.

And it looks like they have a great lineup for bands this year, which I feel they do every year. In my world, if I recognize the song, it's a good band.

We had our ways and means committee meeting the other day and it looks like everyone is doing very well with their fundraisers, which is always a nice sight to see.

Bikerday was very important this year, and I feel, very well attended. I also feel it is always very important, no matter what's going on at the Capitol. It's always fun to see groups of people that are outside of motorcycle rights organizations asking "What's going on today?". I feel we are always noticed when we are at the Capitol.

Till next time,

Jim



STATE RALLY REPORT

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Next Meeting (s):

May 18th, Eagles Club, Litchfield, 12:00 pm
 June 15th, Eagles Club, Litchfield, 12:00 pm
 July 19th, B.O.D. location, 8:00 pm
 August 17th, Eagles Club, Litchfield, 12:00 pm

May is Motorcycle Awareness Month, the perfect time to let your communities know about the State Rally! We are excited about the detailed planning we are doing for you. See the details below.

Sponsorship Form

Please help sign up sponsors, see the sponsorship form in this Road Noise. The sooner they sign up the longer advertising time they will have in the Road Noise, on the State website, and on Facebook. The sponsorship form is also available for download at the State website.

Rally Flyers

Help us hang flyers to help spread the word. The flyer is available for download on the State website, was passed out to your Chapter Rep at the April BOD, and a PDF copy has been mailed to each chapter in the Zoho account. Feel free to make your own copies, as it is a regular 8 ½ by 11 size this year.

Advanced Admission Tickets

You can buy advanced tickets online at the state

	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY
REGISTRATION 3 ½ hour shifts 8:00 am – 10:00 pm			11 open	16 open	15 open	
SECURITY 4-hour shifts 8:00 am – midnight 5-hour band shifts 7:00 pm			Front Gate: 7 open Shuttle: 4 open Patrol: 8 open Bands: 3 open	Front Gate: 9 open Shuttle: 6 open Patrol: 10 open Bands: 1 open	Front Gate: 9 open Shuttle: 6 open Patrol: 10 open Bands: 3 open	
FIRST AID 2-hour shifts 8:00 am – midnight			9 open	9 open	8 open	
PRODUCTS 2-hour shifts		SETUP 1 open 4:00 pm – 8:00 pm	7 open 9:00 am – 11:00 pm	6 open 10:00 am – 10:00 pm	5 open 10:00 am – 8:00 pm TEARDOWN 3 open 8:00 pm	
ENTERTAINMENT STAGE		SETUP 5 open 3:00 pm			TEARDOWN 10 open 11:30 pm	
MEMORIAL RIDE ROAD GUARDS				9 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	Food prep: 1 open 9:00 am – 11:00 am Serve: 1 open 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm	Food prep: 1 open 9:00 am – 11:00 am Serve: 1 open 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm	Food prep: 1 open 9:00 am – 11:00 am Serve: 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			6 open	6 open	6 open	
WASTE WARRIORS						TEARDOWN 5 open 10:00 am

website. If your chapter needs advanced tickets to sell, contact Erin Fredricks at (612) 501-6106. All money and unsold tickets will need to be turned in at the July B.O.D.

Volunteer Sign Ups

See open spots listed below. Contact Ingrid Cohen at (763) 516-7029 to volunteer. Updated shift openings will be posted every month on the Facebook Rally page, State website, Road Noise, and emailed to the chapters. Help us make this a successful rally for you! Each shift you work enters you in a drawing. Three worked shifts you will receive a volunteer patch. Drawing prizes are given out at the Oct B.O.D.

Patch Vendor

Looking for patch vendor to sell and sew patches. Email Deb at debkviz@outlook.com.

Registration

Thank you to Tonja Flick from River Valley for stepping up to run our registration process! We are still looking for an assistant to help her split the duties, contact Ingrid Cohen at (763) 516-7029. Registration will be held inside at the Security office. The City of Litchfield will also have a welcome table to hand out welcome bags to everyone at the rally.

Entertainment

Friday - Coconut Tiger & Wicked Garden
 Saturday - opening act TDB, Molly Hatchet
 Sunday - Blue Collar Cocktail

Meetings & Schedule

Vice Presidents are required to attend the Rally meetings or send someone in their place, and every-

one is welcome. If you cannot attend in person but use Facebook and would like to join the meeting over Facebook messenger, contact Ingrid Cohen at (763) 516-7029 ahead of time to be added to the Rally meeting group chat.

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

A huge thank you to all the Rally sub-commimees, and those amending the Rally meetings, for their time and hard work!

Dougie
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As I write this A.B.A.T.E. U has not happened yet, but by the time this reaches you we are already planning next year's event.

If you have ideas, comments, suggestions, questions, or concerns please reach out to me. You can reach me at (763) 443-4732 or at abateu@abatemn.org

I hope everyone is out enjoying the weather and staying healthy!

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The House Motorcycle Caucus recently announced Rep. Michael Burgess of Texas, who announced his retirement at the end of this term, will step down from leadership.

Taking over caucus responsibilities is current co-chair Rep. Tim Walberg of Michigan. Joining the leadership team on the House Motorcycle Caucus are co-chairs Rep. Troy Balderson of Ohio and Rep. Donald Norcross of New Jersey. Rep. Walberg also announced Rep. Derrick Van Orden of Wisconsin will join the leadership team as vice-chair.

This bipartisan leadership team signals great things for our motorcycling community.

Issues impacting motorcyclists go beyond traditional political party differences and require common sense cooperation from our legislators.

N1D - Dale



Molly Hatchet

8/31/24

10:00 pm

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Next Meeting(s):

May 16th, 5:00-7:00 pm, St Paul College
with a virtual option

There has been no change regarding the status of the task force. Currently, there have been no voting members appointed. However, I can report on what happened during a gathering of task force applicants that took place on March 21st.

We had a guest speaker join us who, in my opinion, was well-spoken and provided a different perspective on motorcycle crash scenes. Assistant Fire Chief EMS of St Paul Fire Department Steve Sampson shared about his experiences responding to motorcycle crashes. In his opinion, there are three major factors in serious injury motorcycle crashes. Speed, distraction, and gear. Excessive speed of the motorcyclist and/or the other vehicle involved, distraction of the motorcyclist and/or the other vehicle involved, and the gear the motorcyclist chooses to wear.

Without any judgment on my part, I pose a question to you. How fast do you like to ride/drive? How distracted are you by a phone/device in your vehicle or on a motorcycle? What type of gear do you choose to ride with?

Sampson also spoke about drawing awareness to our vulnerabilities as motorcyclists and the importance of training regarding his concern for motorcycle operators being qualified to ride (we refer to as permitted or endorsed). He also talked about the importance of getting EMS to the scene ASAP and what types of first aid supplies, us as riders, can carry in our saddle bags that could be of use in emergency situations.

An advisor to the would be task force asked Sampson what his opinion is on autonomous vehicle technology. Asst. Fire Chief Sampson's response was to the effect of "Have you seen the drivers out on the roads these days?". Sampson stated that he is more confident in autonomous vehicle technology than human drivers. But also conceded that the technology needs more development and testing standards. Personally, I share the same opinion. This technology isn't going away, we just need to ensure that testing standards include motorcycle recognition.

At the gathering we were told that the motorcycle safety proclamation our group came up with has been forwarded to the Governor's office, but they have not heard back as to whether or not he will proclaim May as Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month.

The afternoon of our next gathering on May 16th, the task force applicants have been invited to participate in a rider training course at St Paul College. We will be the guinea pigs for what may potentially be a new rider training course in the future. This concept course is referred to as Crash Avoidance Training (CAT). It would be a mixture of intermediate and advanced course curriculum. There are currently only a few ranges in the state that are big enough to host advanced and expert courses. This CAT course, if offered in the future, would be qualified to be taught on the BRC/IRC sized ranges, which would make the curriculum portable to any Minnesota Motorcycle Safety Program range in this state. It would allow participants in the outer areas of Minnesota to learn some of the advanced curriculum without the need for excessive traveling distances.

As the pavement and the rubber of your tires warm up, make your own choices and keep your head on a swivel.

Jon Fernholz



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I am writing this report ten days before the April Board meeting and A.B.A.T.E. U, so you may hear more detail from that meeting before you read this.

Some news to share; we have awarded two exchange students, one from Germany and one from Spain, Honorary Young Rider Member status. We could not make them members because it would not be possible for us to keep our member obligations with them being from another country. There were thirteen Young Riders in attendance at Bikerday at the Capitol. The exchange student from Spain was one of those with us that day (see the photo right).

We had a Young Riders table at the Donnie Smith Show in St Paul. Harmony and Stephanie, with help from their Young Rider family members, tended the table.

The Young Rider tri-folds are printed and have been handed out by the time you read this. If you want some, go to your chapter meeting, contact the state office, or email youngriders@abatemn.org and we will get it taken care of.

The transitioning of the Young Riders membership list to the State Office has taken place. Some details may still be getting worked out. But that is where membership applications should be sent from now on.

We would still like pictures of young riders to share on Facebook or in Road Noise. But if you are submitting a picture, please include a properly completed photo release or we will not be able to publish it.

We involved Young Riders at A.B.A.T.E. U. We had a pool party with games & snacks. We made Young Riders junior deputies taking part in the Saturday night jail activates and there were some that helped as hosts. Let's keep involving our young people!

Young Riders supporters are still needed, especially Business supporters. Your local motorcycle dealer or repair shop could be among our supporters, have you asked them? If not please reach out and ask them to take part.



Thirteen Young Riders at Bikerday 2024.

If you need some help, let me know and we will do what we can.

There may be other news shared about Young Riders at the board meeting, but in summary it is growing and gaining support thanks for all you do.

frank

Thanks to our Proud Supporters!

Proud supporters of A.B.A.T.E. Young Riders

Jane Doyle	June 23 - May 24
Dan Matzdorff	June 23 - May 24
David "Too Tall" Carlson	June 23 - May 24
Jon Fernholz	June 23 - November, 24
Jim & Kristie Orn	June 23 - May, 24
Mike & Toby Pharr	June 23 - May 24
Alex & Kelly Erickson	June 23 - May 24
Vicki & frank Ernst	June 23 - May 25
Tri-County chapter A.B.A.T.E. of MN	June 23 - May 24
Bob & Toni McChesney	August 23-July 24
Glacial Ridge chapter A.B.A.T.E. of MN	August 23-July 24
Buffalo Ridge chapter A.B.A.T.E. of MN	Nov. 23 - Oct.24
Kris Gruhot	November 23 - October24
Lake chapter A.B.A.T.E. of MN	Jan. 24 - December 24
Bergdale Harley Davidson, Albert Lea	Jan. 24 - Dec. 24
Freedom First chapter A.B.A.T.E. of MN	Feb. 24 - Jan, 25
Stephanie Christensen	March 24 - August 24

Would you like to become a Young Riders supporter?

Donations should be forwarded to
A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota State Treasurer
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GAMBLING REPORT

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WOW! It has been crazy with all the request and sales for this year's A.B.A.T.E. University Raffle. By the time this publication comes out we will have already had the drawing and paid out \$61,000.00 in prizes to the winners. But sales were great and is helping us build up our reserve so we can continue to help all the awesome organizations, people and educational groups that are so important to us all. In the last couple of months, we have made donations to such places as hardships, veteran organizations, cancer runs not to mention our continued support to Dial-A-Ride and the Young Riders Scholarship.

Thank you to all and let us keep up the excellent work.



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Next Meeting(s):

May 12th, Zoom meeting, 11:00 am

June 10th, Zoom Meeting, 6:30 pm

Congratulations to Stephanie and Committee for another great A.B.A.T.E. U.! Also, to all raffle winners!

Please remember to hand off the handout on Road Noise submissions to whoever will be writing the Grapevine and Reports. Keep in mind when sending in all articles and reports to put in the body of the email and not as an attachment.

Check out the Calendar of Events for upcoming rides and fundraisers.

Tammy



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By the time you read this report, the Young Riders Scholarship program will have ended for the 2024 rider training season. As of April 7th, we have given out 94 scholarships at a cost of over \$24,000. I would like to thank Southeast LC Chapter for earmarking \$200 of their chapter gambling funds towards the scholarship program.

If your chapter is looking to spend down gambling funds, they can always donate it to the Young Riders Scholarship program. Due to the logistical nightmare of stopping and restarting the scholarship program in one calendar year and keeping in line with the gambling control board's regulations, once the scholarship funds run out, we will be done for the year. Any donations that come in after stoppage will be rolled into the following year's budget.

If individuals or chapters are interested in participating in our District Rider Training Program this year, please reach out to your District Directors so they can get a feel for where they should be focusing on setting up training events.

For those of you that are giving Share the Road presentations, please do not forget to send presentation numbers to me so I can report the quarterly numbers to the board. That is it for this month.

"Education costs money, but then so does ignorance." -Claus Moser

Jon Fernholz



BUDDY BEAR REPORT

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Nothing New To Report



PRODUCTS REPORT

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Hello to all, I hope all of you that attended A.B.A.T.E. University had a fun time and learned a lot. I know I did. I hope you all got a chance to meet Morgan, my new State Products Assistant.

If you have issues with your badges or business cards, please reach out to me ASAP so that I can get them corrected.

As always, if you have need of State Products in your Chapter, want State Products at your event, or have ideas or suggestions, please reach out to me and I will see what I can do.

Ride safe, *Kari*



WAYS & MEANS REPORT

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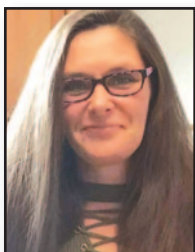
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Next Meeting(s):

June 30th, Ugly Bar, Montrose, 12:00 pm

Happy Spring everyone. Our committee last met on April 7th. We looked over bills, deposits, and fundraiser reports. It is always fun to see what other chapters are doing for fundraisers and how much money they can bring in. If you are interested in learning what other chapters do and get some new ideas, come out and join us.

Kristy



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First off, I want to apologize to everyone. I did not have anything prepared for the May Road Noise. Life has been a little busy and hectic for me lately. I sincerely hope that everyone who attended the History lesson at A.B.A.T.E. University truly



MEMBERSHIP & RETENTION

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Oh, the weather is getting nice! FINALLY!

Thank you to the Metro Chapter for taking time to have a membership table at the Donnie Smith Bike Show. They sent in memberships for six Chapters, of these four were new members! Thank you to those that did this. Chapter that benefitted from this effort were Sand Dunes, Glacial Ridge, Central, Up North, Metro, and Tri-County. Thanks again!

We are slowly increasing membership. We currently have 1,317 singles and 1,498 couples, totally 2,815. Our highest April was in 2010 with 4,297.

We have a way to go to catch up to those figures. This month we increased by 87. The chapter with the biggest increase this month was Northeast Chapter with an increase of 15, next highest was Up North with an increase of 11 and 3rd highest was Heart of the Lakes with an increase of 10. Awesome job everyone! This month no chapter lost any members, so they either stayed the same or increased. Way to go everyone.

Now with the nice weather coming up, keep those trifolds and tear-offs in your vest or saddlebags and sign some new people up!

See ya down the road!

Shelly

enjoyed it. Thank you to everyone who helped with their input, research, time and talents!

If you ever have a question about something in our history, or if you have a suggestion or an idea of an area within our organization to hear/learn more about, please feel free to reach out to me. I'm more than happy to dig around and see what I can find!

Ride Safe! Ride Free!

Gaida "Gator" Trout



DIAL-A-RIDE

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While every crash is unique, there are some disturbing trends. Alcohol-impaired fatal crashes account for 29% of all motorcyclist deaths. Across the nation, 7.8% of fatal crashes involved a "distracted driver." Personal responsibility is a core value of the MRF. We must ensure we are all making the right decisions to protect.*

DIAL-A-RIDE thinks one death is too many. That is the reason we exist, to get everyone home safe. We encourage all of you to participate and distribute materials to local bars and local motorcycle dealers in your area. Those that have DAR trailers and those that use your own trailer, or if your chapter is within 50-mile radius of where you live, please fill out list, where you placed Dial-A-Ride materials. Your chapter can email the information to mcdar1596@abatemn.org. We need all of you to keep our State safe, ourselves, and others on the road. If we do not, who will?

*Excerpt from MRF report sent out a few weeks ago.

Sharon Polman



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Hi,

I'll see you at A.B.A.T.E. University before you get this. Plans are underway for some Chapters for their county fairs. We have more fairs than counties, so if your Chapter can swing more than one, that's more getting our name out there.

Does your town/city do town days? Can you get into the parade if they have one? Membership totes will be handed out, and if you need more or something else for them, let me know asap.

I hope you're enjoying the weather when the sun comes out. Be safe!

Harmony



LEGISLATIVE REPORT

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I want to thank everyone that took the time to attend Bikerday. Your efforts did not go unnoticed and made an impact on the biker rights movement.

The following are bills that have had movement:

- **SF 2132 Motorcycle ground light.**

Authored by Senator Coleman (48 R) and four others. Auxiliary ground lights are in Senate Transportation omnibus bill: Stay tuned.

- **HF 4955** Authored by Representative Wolgamott and three others. Referred to Transportation Finance and Policy

- **SF 2573 Motorcycle sales tax.** Authored by Senator Hoffman (34 DFL) and one other. Referred to Transportation

- **HF 2376** Authored by Representative Petersburg (19B R) and three others 3/14/24 Authors added Murphy, Hanson, Robbins

- **HF2365 Motorcycle sales tax.** Authored by Representative Harder (17B R) and one other. 3/20/24 Author added Knudsen

- **SF2395** Authored by Senator Gruenhagen (17 R) 3/02/23 Referred to Transportation



MRF REPORT

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Not much to report on right now, elections are done. All the manuals should be up to date with all the new contact pages. If the Presidents are not up to date, check with your Chapter Rep. They each received two copies. They also

received a list of current members and a list of expired members. Do they make it back to the chapter or are they in a briefcase somewhere? If nobody reads the list and let me know of changes, how will I know if someone moved or passed away? There is one chapter I know reads and goes over the list, thank you Jack Pine Riders for keeping me updated!

Keep on Keeping on

Shelly



WRITE TO RIDE

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A.B.A.T.E. U is here and past. Did you attend? At the time I am writing this I do not know how many, if any, of our invited congressional delegation or their representatives stopped in. But did you take time to meet any that were there? Did you tell them thank you for taking time out to meet us?

Elections are coming this year. Will you be planning to support those that have an interest in your issues?

At the April Board meeting we distributed Write 2 Ride patches and rockers to Lake, Freedom First, Up North, Heart of the Lakes, River Valley, Sand Dunes and Rolling Prairie chapters.

Now I want to step back a little in history to the 1990s, a time when each year we could count on a new bill being introduced to eliminate your freedom of choice regarding using or not using a motorcycle helmet. We would get word of a hearing being conducted and A.B.A.T.E. members would flock to the Capitol to attend the hearing. The hearing room would be full. They would have the audio playing in adjoining hearing rooms so the overflow crowd could hear. Do you think the committee members noticed that we were there? Do you think they believed that we cared?

Ground lighting, a topic our members brought up a while back at an A.B.A.T.E. Board

meeting, they wanted us to take some action. In 2023 we included this in our Bikerday talking points. When we were at the Capitol in 2023, we spoke with legislators about the issue. Senator Coleman (Carver County) stepped up and said she would author a bill. She introduced SF 2132, and the process was started. We did not get a hearing in the 2023 so it was held over to this year. At Bikerday 2024 we were made aware that a hearing on SF 2132, OUR bill, was scheduled.

So here are some questions I have. Did you talk to your legislator about this issue? Did you write letters? What was your legislators reply? Did they support us, oppose us, or not have an opinion? The reason I am asking these questions is because our members did not forward letters sent or replies received from legislators concerning this issue to Write 2 Ride!

Earlier I talked about packed hearing rooms from the 1990s. So now let's fast forward to March 18th, 2024. SF 2132, OUR bill, was scheduled for a hearing in the Senate Transportation Committee. Jane was there to testify. Do you know how many A.B.A.T.E. members were in the audience? The Senators on the committee know, they know if we care or not.

The April Board meeting will be complete by the time you read this so you will know the current status of OUR bill. I hope you are pleased.

Do you do all you can for the freedom of motorcyclists?

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BIKE OF THE MONTH



2004 Honda VTX1300 with Mascot owned by Jess Cooper

BUSINESS OF THE MONTH



Dark Knight Custom Laser Engraving LLC was founded in March 2022 in St. Michael, MN.

Dark Knight's first show was the 2022 Sand

Dunes Chapter Bike Rodeo. They were introduced to A.B.A.T.E. by Ally Kat, who helped them set up to vendor the Sand Dunes Rodeo. They had very few items to sell as this venture was new to them. After the rodeo they continued to grow and attend many craft shows around Minnesota, as well as other A.B.A.T.E. of MN chapter events and the A.B.A.T.E. of WI Rally. They have added a new and bigger 4'x 8' laser and look forward to the future, both with A.B.A.T.E. and all the other exciting events.



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NORTHEAST DISTRICT

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No Report Received

JACK PINE RIDERS

Next Meeting(s):

May 19th, Marge's Bar and Grill, Brook Park,
1:00pm (meeting follows highway cleanup)
June 16th, Squirrel Cage, Willow River,
1:00 pm
July 21st, Maverick's Saloon, Beroun, 1:00pm

Upcoming Event(s):

June 20th-2nd, A.B.A.T.E. of Wisconsin
"Summer Hummer", Greenwood, Wisconsin
July 3rd-6th, A.B.A.T.E. of Iowa "Freedom Rally",
Algona, Iowa
July 12th-14th, Jack Pine Riders 18th Annual
"Upper Kettle River Shakedown", Finlayson
August 1st-11th, 84th Annual Sturgis Rally,
Sturgis, South Dakota
August 18th, Memorial Ride weekend.
Ride ends at Nickerson Bar. Riding/
Camping/Bonfire and more.

The next roadside cleanup will be May 19th,
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.

By now the winners of the A.B.A.T.E. U raffle
have been announced. Hope you were one of
the lucky ones.

May is Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month.
With warmer weather, it's time to remind
everyone to be on the alert and to share the
road with motorcyclists. Riders who have been
cooped up all winter are excited to be out on
the road again, but that shouldn't stop them
from using caution.

Check this issue of Road Noise for 18th annual
Upper Kettle River Shakedown poster. Posters
and advance tickets are now available.

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



DIAL-A-RIDE

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**It's almost that time
of year!
If you want this trailer
for an event or even a
parade, let us know.**



SAND DUNES

Next Meeting(s):

May 12th, The Buff, Big Lake,
5:00 pm
June 9th, The Buff, Big Lake,
5:00 pm
July 14th, The Buff, Big Lake,
5:00 pm

Upcoming Event(s):

May 18th, Sand Dunes Spring
Ride, Bailey Ray's,
Santiago, Registration 9:00 am.
Kickstands up 10:00 am.
June 8th, Sand Dunes Bike Show &
Rodeo, Bailey Ray's, Santiago,
11:00am - 5:00pm

Greetings one and all! Well, unfortunately, our meeting for the Grapevine falls before our next meeting so much of what I have to report is the same as last month. A.B.A.T.E. U will be over by the time you read this and I hope you were able to attend. It's an opportunity to learn, meet other chapters, and most of all, have fun.

At Sand Dunes our newly elected chapter officers will take their seats this month. Most are returning officers, but we do have a few new ones.

Our Spring Ride is coming soon on May 18th. Registration starts at 9:00 am and Kick Stands go up at 10:00. Breakfast sandwiches and beverages will be available to get you ready to ride.

Finally, our Bike Show and Rodeo will be June 8 from 11:00AM to 5:00PM. We have some great events planned for the Rodeo portion of our event. Of course, the Bike Show will feature some awesome bikes! Also, there will be some excellent auction items to bid on.

That's all for now! I hope you've been out on your bike by now. Take care, be safe, peace out!

UP NORTH

No Report Received

CENTRAL

Next Meeting(s):

May 5th, Doochies,
St. Martin,
12:00pm
June 2nd,
Hideaway,
Rockville,
12:00pm

We are a little behind on saying thank you to the

businesses that have let us hold our meetings. Special thank you to:

- Sal's, St. Joseph
- Rusty Nail, St. Stephens
- VFW East, St. Cloud
- Side Bar, Cold Spring

Upcoming Event(s):

May 19th, Ride for Terebinth. Terabinth Refuge is a nonprofit organization for people who have been involved in sex trafficking. Registration 10:00am, Sal's in St. Joseph. Kickstands up 12:00pm. Ride out to Andy's in Eden Valley, Pearl Lake Lodge in Marty then back to Sal's for auction, meat raffle, food and some fun.

Biker Bash August 15th, 16th and 17th

Thursday, August 15th, Jam it Anyway Entertainment

Friday, August 16th, Crimson Edge

Saturday, August 17th, Diamond Back: Thank you to CJ&J trucking for sponsoring. We are still looking for vendors and sponsors, please contact Joe Bud Wiser for more information.

Bikerday at the Capitol was a huge success. With 18 Central Chapter members and 5 of those being Young Riders. We are very excited for next year. (see photo above)

Central Chapter participated in Pearl Lake Lodge's St. Patrick's Day Parade on March 16th. Despite the crazy powerful wind we all had a blast and the kids loved throwing candy. Hoping to participate and more parades this year. It's a great way to advertise the Dial-A-Ride and our upcoming events. (see photos below)

A few Central Chapter members made it out to Metro Chapters St. Patrick's Day Fundraiser. They put on a great event! Thanks guys. The band and the food was GREAT. Travis was very excited to win a camping stove in the silent action. It was a fun night.

Now that all that pesky snow is gone it's that time to RIDE! Everyone enjoy and stay safe!

– Until
next month,
Cowboy and
Ling



METRO

Next Meeting(s):

May 14th, VFW, Coon Rapids, 7:00pm

June 11th, VFW, Coon Rapids, 7:00pm

July 9th, VFW, Coon Rapids, 7:00pm

Upcoming Event(s):

May 13th, Metro Chapter Taco Night, Casa Rio Restaurant, Anoka, 4:00-8:00 pm

June 10th, Metro Chapter Taco Night, Casa Rio Restaurant, Anoka, 4:00-8:00 pm

July 8th, Metro Chapter Taco Night, Casa Rio Restaurant, Anoka, 4:00-8:00 pm

Sunday Brunch, Route 47 Pub and Grub, 7820 University Ave NE, Fridley, 8:00am to 12 pm. Check in on our Facebook page or website for more details

In last month's Road Noise, I was only able to post a picture of our new chapter officers (I snuck the picture in after the deadline) because our April meeting was after the Road Noise deadline. At this time, I would like to list the names of our new officers for 2024/2025 - President - Nick Capra, VP - Jameson Lemke, Secretary - Ally Schommer, Treasurer - Joe 'JJ' Jones, Chapter Rep - Rob Benjamin, Sgt-at-Arms - Sean Hughes, Brian La Doux, Greg Schommer, Shannon Bros, Leanne Mentele and Marcia Capra.



**Photos from
the Donnie
Smith Bike
Show!**



Thanks is due to all of the Metro Chapter members who gave of their time to help at the Donnie Smith Bike Show over the weekend of March 23/24. We shared a very professional looking booth with Motorcycle Dial-A-Ride and the Christian Motorcycle Association (CMA). Crowds were very good on Saturday but the pending 'blizzard' significantly held down the Sunday attendance. We got a chance to sign up some new A.B.A.T.E. members, help some current members with their renewals, shared the A.B.A.T.E. story with many non-members and sold some merchandise.

After a successful first-time-ever Pre-St. Patrick's Day event on March 15th, Metro Chapter members are busy planning our 4th Annual MetroMorial Day celebration on Sunday, May 26th at Route 47 Pub and Grub in Fridley from Noon to 6 p.m. This event will be a family/kid friendly event with activities planned for your children and grandchildren. We will have some vendors, live music by Southern Express, a bike show and possibly the first opportunity in 2024 to enjoy a loaded baked potato and some roasted sweet corn. Tickets are \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door and fliers/complimentary ticket will be handed out to each chapter at A.B.A.T.E. U B.O.D. meeting.

May is Motorcycle Safety Month and the beginning of the Motorcycle Dial-A-Ride season. Unfortunately, due to the unseasonably nice weather this winter, Minnesota already had its first motorcycle fatality in March. Alcohol and excessive speed are reported as contributing factors. Ride Smart, Ride within your skill level, if you drink, don't ride / if you ride, don't drink and consider taking a motorcycle skills class to improve your game.

The next Metro Chapter Road Noise article will be penned by the new Metro Chapter Rep Rob Benjamin. Get to know him as he has years of leadership experience with American Legion Riders before stepping up with A.B.A.T.E.

MAY IS MOTORCYCLE SAFETY AWARENESS MONTH

EAST CENTRAL

Next Meeting(s):

May 5th, The American Legion, St Francis
June 2nd, The American Legion, St Francis

Upcoming Event(s):

May 4th, Dirty Rotten Biker Fest, Mille Lacs County fairgrounds
May 4th, River Valley chapters 34th annual Motorcycle Awareness parade, 12:00 pm
May 18th, Sand Dunes chapter Spring Ride Bailey Rays, 9 am.
June 22nd, Run for the Bears Buddy Bear delivery, Tower, details to follow
July 12th, Andover Fun Fest
July 27th, Road Guard Class at Pine Tech.

Our run for the bears ride to Tower, is scheduled for June 22nd. Anyone interested in joining us should get in touch with President Jim for details as we are looking into possible options for overnight accomodations for anyone who might be interested.

East Central is gearing up of the upcoming Andover Fun Fest again this year. It's a great opportunity for A.B.A.T.E. to get exposure with the community and alot of fun talking motorcycles and the young riders program with the public. Look for futher details on this weekend to come soon.

Road Guard class is coming up soon! Pine Tech is holding a general open enrollment afternoon class on July 27th and costs \$30. If you are interested please contact Dawn Sandberg at Pine Tech to sign up. Email her at: dawn.sandberg@pine.edu as soon as you can... this class will fill up fast!

Remember to get out and support other chapters events if you want them to come to ours. Ride safe and have a great spring!

– Kelly



Jim LaSpisa receives an East Central chapter thank you for 9 years as Vice President; the Braastads win the shameless bribes.



NORTHEAST

Next Meeting(s):

May 1st, The Chalet, Hermantown, 6:30 pm
June 5st, The Chalet, Hermantown, 6:30 pm

Hello all,

Totally enjoying the unseasonable warm weather. Our 35st annual fundraiser, The Bunwarmer, was a success. We had very good attendance, good music, and everyone had a great time. Thank you to everyone who helped set up and to the many people who donated their time and the many quality auction items we had to offer. We appreciate the support from everyone who came, some from several hours away. Without your support we wouldn't be able to continue.

By this time A.B.A.T.E. U will have come and gone, it's always a good time. We look forward to seeing everyone from around the state as well as hearing what the upcoming year holds for the organization. We're especially interested in the new Young Riders program and see great potential for future if everyone pitches in to do their part in promoting it.

That's about it, the bike will be out by the time you read this and none too soon.

– Ride Safe! Ed





Howdy Folks,

May is Motorcycle Awareness Month!!! Even if Your Governor doesn't acknowledge it, it Will ALWAYS BE!!

Things are starting to grow. Grass and trees are getting green. A new season is upon us. Let's all join together and strive for getting the motorcycle community together to fight for the Freedoms of Choice we started with.

When sitting outside, if one mosquito bites you, you shake it off. If 25 mosquitos bite you, it hurts. Not comparing us to mosquitos, just showing how Strength in Numbers Counts!!

Take time to visit area chapter gatherings. Get to know them. They will return the visit more than not.

Keep Your Chin Up and Keep Smiling! Take care and Ride Free!

Edgar

FREEDOM FIRST RIDERS

Next Meeting(s):

May 4th, VFW, Alexandria 4:00 pm
 June 22nd, Eagles Healing Nest,
 11:00 am

Greetings FFR Members,

Thanks to everyone who attended Bikerday at the Capitol in March and A.B.A.T.E. University in April! These events are what we are all about and I appreciate everyone's help to make these events possible! Especially, Edgar for bringing the movies.

Freedom First Riders Annual Bike Show is fast approaching, and we are hoping for a great turnout on May 18th & 19th at the Runestone Community Center in Alexandria. Please get the word out to everyone and share with other chapters as well. Trophy Sponsorship is almost complete and the signup sheet to volunteer is out on the Facebook page. Silent Auction items are still needed as well. Come and support the event and register your ride to show off!

The FFR & Eagles 3063 will team up to do the annual ditch pickup on Saturday, June 1st, at 10:00 am. Please meet at the Eagles in the parking lot.

The Intermediate Rider Course is set for the FFR,



from 3:00-8:00 pm on the 7th of June at the Alexandria Technical College. We have twelve free spots to fill and I would highly encourage and recommend this for anyone that hasn't completed this recently. You can also do the course with a passenger if you have completed it once on your own. Please contact (me), Rich Reimers for signup and any questions you might have. I would like to fill this course up this year with FFR prior to asking other chapters to fill.

"Expect the Unexpected!!"

– Big Papa

HEART OF THE LAKES

Next Meeting(s):

May 12th, Scrappy & Shannon's,
42324 Long Lake Rd, Ottertail,
5:00 pm

Having heard back from three of the five Mayors about adopting Proclamations for May as Motorcycle Awareness month, I sit here feeling a little accomplished. Awesome right!? My verra next thought is, how am I going to move the Chapter forward in this partnership because I firmly look at these Mayors signing the Proclamation as a beginning of exactly that. I would absolutely be solid with things if I could introduce Darryl and his presentation into each communities' school (Don't worry Darryl, I'd be available so your plate doesn't overflow further) What can I ask my Chapter to do to get the A.B.A.T.E. name and what we do out there? I thought of attending a few council meetings and introducing myself and talking about what our organization stands for, but I want more for my Chapter - I want the community to become familiar with the members and what we do so when they see one of us, they get excited (or at least a smile and a little happy).

As I was writing this, I got a phone call from two other members (great timing) and was able to brainstorm and ideas flowed. Ask to volunteer at their cities summer celebration or maybe the local VFW during a fish fry, jump into their parade, hell, I know that Menahga has national night out, could we take part in that?

Another great idea, get a copy of the signed proclamation and run it in their local papers, give them some public recognition for signing. I am told that because we are a nonprofit there wouldn't be a charge to us. The possibilities are endless. I would be verra interested to hear how other chapters are involved in communities after they declare May as Motorcycle Awareness month, feel free to shoot me an email.

Ride often and Gods keep you safe,
– Jess

BORDERLAND

No Report Received



Senator Mark Johnson () and Tim Sandland (Borderland)
discuss the issues at Bikerday 2024.

NORTH STAR

Next Meeting(s):

May 18th, Becida Bar and Grill, Becida, 4:00 pm, with a
Buddy Bear run after the meeting
June 8th, Silver Creek Saloon, Shevlin, 4:00 pm

We would like to welcome all new and returning officers.

Saturday, May 4th, is our Ditch Clean-up, 2:00 pm. Meet by our sign out by Hubbard County Transfer Station, Highway 71.

Saturday, June 1st, we will be having our 2nd Annual Meet and Greet from 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm, with a ride around Lake Bemidji to follow. There will also be a Silent Auction during the Meet and Greet, we'll be serving up brats, hot dogs, and hamburgers with all the fixings.

Please forgive me if I missed any dates or events. This is my first submission to the Road Noise. I will do better next month.

– Be Safe, Patches

NORTHWEST

No Report



SOUTHEAST DISTRICT

Chapter Grapevines

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Congratulations to Mike Burgess, your new Southeast District Director - he will do a great job! Thanks to everyone in the state, it was great to be involved again.

Donna

RIVER VALLEY

Next Meeting(s):

May 12th, Eagles Club, Mankato, 12:00 pm

June 9th, Eagles Club, Mankato, 12:00 pm

June 14th, Eagles Club, Mankato, 12:00 pm

Upcoming Event(s):

May 4th, Motorcycle Awareness Parade

May 11th, Spring Ditch Cleanup

June 8th, Mike Berg & Fallen Friends

Memorial Ride

August TBD, River Valley Gives Back Ride

Hello All! Welcome to May and a new riding season!!!!

River Valley Chapter already has a full schedule for this riding season... starting with our, very well known, 34th Annual Motorcycle Awareness Parade. This event is ALWAYS a big hit! And don't forget about our Fun Run afterwards! So please join us in getting it out there to let them know that we "bikers" are back on the roads!

The Spring Ditch Pickup is scheduled for May 11th. Please try and attend. More hands help it go faster!

Our 5th Annual Mike Berg & Fallen Friends Memorial Ride is Saturday, June 8th. Come out and help support motorcycle safety training!! Also, our 6th Annual River Valley Gives Back Ride is in the planning stages for mid or late August... watch for it! Please check out our River Valley Chapter page on Facebook for more details as they come.

Congratulations again to all of the new River Valley Chapter Officers and Sergeant at Arms!

President: Anthony Crandell

Vice President: Bob Olson

Secretary: Cheyenne Sanford

Treasurer: Steve "Slick" Duban

Chapter Rep: Erin Fredricks.

Sergeant at Arms: Randy "Panther" Wolke,

Kevin Ling, Jimmy Fisher, Bobby Sullivan, Lori



A.B.A.T.E. of MN River Valley Chapter.

Sotebeer and RaeLee Larson. Also, congratulations to Mike Burgess, our new Southeast District Director!

Here's hoping to see many of you at all of the upcoming A.B.A.T.E. chapters events and for a safe and fun riding season!

On a very sad note... it is with a heavy heart to inform you of the passing of Papa Frank Neagle on April 1st. He was a member of our chapter, a past River Valley president, and a friend. He will be greatly missed. Ride Free Frank... until we meet again...

– Anthony Crandell,
President



Frank M. Neagle

May 27, 1963 - April 1, 2024

TRI-COUNTY

Next Meeting(s):

May 2nd, Cy's Bar, Chaska, 7:00 pm
Carver Ride Fundraiser meeting 6:30 pm
June 6th, Memorial Park, Shakopee, 7:00 pm
(More to come on potluck BBQ)
July 11th, Augusta Ballpark, 7:00 pm (more info to come on potluck BBQ)
August 1st, Augusta Ballpark, 7:00 pm
September 12th, Augusta Ballpark, 7:00 pm

Upcoming Event(s):

May 4th, Carver Motorcycle Ride
May 19th, Highway Pickup
June 29th, Motorcycle Safety Course
August 17th, Harley Heaven Ride

Thank you to Jane Doyle, our State Coordinator, for visiting our chapter meeting! Also thanks to Nick DeVoto, Sand Dunes member, for attending our meeting.

Our chapter extends our deepest sympathies to the family of our chapter member Chris DeVoto (1963-2024). Memorial patches will be available to purchase once we receive them with all proceeds benefiting the family of Chris. RIP Chris 🙏🏠.

The Motorcycle Safety Course will be scheduled for Saturday, June 29th, from 2:00 pm - 7:00 pm. This is an Intermediate Riders Course! This will be held in Eden Prairie at the Hennepin VoTech College campus. Our chapter voted to pay \$150 for the Intermediate Rider Training Course and each participant to pay no more than \$25 to cover the cost. We then amended that motion to add that the chapter will fully reimburse the participants portion of payment at a TriCounty meeting within two months of the rider training with certificate of completion. This is a great way to brush up your motorcycle skills and learn something new! Our chapter also voted to reimburse a member who is in good standing and a minimum 2 year member, their expense after completing a beginner riders training class with intent to getting their rider endorsement. Certification of Completion must be shown for reimbursement.

Kickstands up at noon for our annual fundraiser, The Carver Ride on Saturday May 4th. It begins at the DogHouse Bar with registration starting at 10:30 a.m. \$25 per person or \$20 with purchase of an A.B.A.T.E. Membership (if purchased at registration)! Free T-Shirt with registration while supplies last! 10% of proceeds donated to Motorcycle PAC of MN! Protecting your right to ride!! Stops are Carver, Green Isle, New Auburn, New Germany and ending at Cologne 212 Tavern with food provided at last stop! 🍷

May 19th is our Highway Pickup! 10:00 am meet at trains ion Highway #21 between Jordan and New Prague!

Everyone has important jobs within our chapter.... Whether you hold a nominated position, member or pay your dues every year! We are so fortunate to especially have Jon, Frank and Bill who keep our chapter so in the know with their involvement and knowledge concerning our biker rights!

Mark your calendars! The 28th Annual Harley Heaven Memorial Motorcycle Ride is August 17th! Registration is at 10:30 am in Jordan at the Pickled Pig. Kickstands up at noon, rain or shine! Donation! Proceeds to be given to TriCo chapter, Ronald McDonald House Mpls, and Jordan Family Outreach!

– Peace, Ger

STRAIGHT RIVER

Next Meeting(s):

May 11th, Reggies, Owatonna, 1:00 pm
June 8th, Box Car, Waseca, 1:00 pm
July 13th, Joe's Bar, Faribault, 1:00 pm

Upcoming Event(s):

May 4th, River Valley Motorcycle Awareness Bike Parade
May 5th, Blessing of the Bikes

Today, writing this, it sure does feel like Spring is here! It has been a hard month for some. Losing loved ones. Prayers for those who have lost loved ones.

Blessing of the Bikes is coming up. Hoping to see a lot of faces.

We will also be having the food stand at Cash Wise Foods in Owatonna. There will also be merch for sale there. Just letting everyone know we are still heading down to Poopy's Memorial weekend. Leaving early Friday, May 24th and coming back Sunday May 25th. If you can, please contact myself, or Zoomer, to coordinate a meet-up.

Also going to start in May Passport rides, planning one a month. So buy your books! Members will be selling them.

Regards,

– Mike Smith
Straight River Chapter President
A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota

SOUTHEAST LC

Next Meeting(s):

May 19th, VFW, Rochester, 11:00 am

June 16th, VFW, Rochester, 11:00 am

Upcoming Event(s):

May 20th -21st, Bikers Inside the Beltway

Hi All:

Well, Mother Nature is playing tricks on us again. I'm kind of over her April Fools pranks.

I'm looking forward to A.B.A.T.E. University and seeing everyone again. I always have fun there and by the time you see this A.B.A.T.E. U will be in the history books for another year. Due to the officers all going to A.B.A.T.E. U this year, we moved our meeting to later in the day so the officers could get back for the monthly meeting.

Officer elections were held in March and the chapter officers for the 2024-2025 year will be President: Jerome While. Vice President and Treasurer: Darlene Krebbs, Secretary and Chapter Rep: Terry Panek, Sargent-at-Arms: Rick Panek. James Vandemark, Kim & Gary Zwart, and Ryan Smith and Southeast District Director: Mike Burgess. We welcome Mike as our new director and look forward to working with him. We are very grateful for all the help and support Donna Larish gave us and she will be missed.

As many of you know, March 13th was Bikerday at the Capitol. We had a great turnout at the Capitol but not so much from our chapter as Rick and I were the only ones from our chapter to attend. This was a little disappointing. We got to meet with both our State Representative and Senator, as well as the two legislators from the Albert Lea area. A great big THANK YOU to Jerry Collins for letting us tag after him, showing us around the Capitol buildings and guiding us through the appointments with the legislators. Poor guy looked like the pied piper with about 15 mice tagging after him.

Plans for the Summer Shenanigans Party and B.O.D. in July are coming along nicely, so please plan on attending. We have biker games planned as well as a ride (longer than last year), food trucks, music, water slides, free camping, and, of course, the mud wrestling pit. It should be a fun time so plan on coming and getting muddy.

Don't forget about the monthly meetings. See above for dates, times, and locations. We would love to see your face and hear any new ideas you have for the chapter.

– Bye for now, Terry

This quilt was made by four members of our chapter and was an item on our silent auction during our Winter Party in February. The quilt was made by Tom Small, James "Tiny" Vandemark and Kim and Gary Zwart and is made past and current chapter t-shirts as well as past state rally shirts. The quilt turned out amazing and we thank these members for taking the time to make this for our silent auction.



FLATLANDERS

Next Meeting(s):

May 18th, meeting following the Washout, at Kurt and Alicia Wallace's home; 115 5th St SE, Geneva.

June 2024 - No meeting

Upcoming Event(s):

May 18th - Washout, 11am-1pm, to be held at the I-35 Northbound Welcome Center.

Hello from the Flatlanders

May..WOW...Where did the time go? Bikerday is done. A.B.A.T.E. University is done. Now what?, you may ask. Well, I'm here to tell you; Fundraisers. It is now riding season, so get on your bikes and ride to the nearest or furthest fundraiser of any of the 24 A.B.A.T.E. of MN chapter fundraisers. It is all about support for one another. Another thought, New Members!!! With the riding season beginning, make sure you have trifolds and tear-offs in your possession at all times, because you never know when you may have the opportunity to use them to get new members. Our future depends on increasing our memberships and getting the younger riders involved. Ensuring our rights for our generation has always been our priority, so let us help those that will come after us to do the same. When you see a rider, talk to them. If they are not familiar with us, share our story, sign them up and invite them to a meeting. Be the voice of A.B.A.T.E., be the voice of our rights as motorcyclists. Do not let the government determine who and what we become.

– Michele Legried
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SOUTHWEST DISTRICT

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Looking out the window, it appears the weather is close for riding. I wish the sand would wash off the roads.

Did you attend Heartland S.T.E.A.M.? It was a hard decision to make as I already had my reservations in months ago. We lost a good friend from River Valley Chapter, Frank Neagle. His memorial and celebration of life were the same day as S.T.E.A.M. Frank said to me many times he was so proud of the job I was doing for A.B.A.T.E. and MRF, going to conferences and reporting back to the chapters, so I was sure to say Frank's name when they rang the bell for our lost members and loved ones.

We had a SW District meeting before Rolling Prairie's Chili Feed in March. Four of the seven chapters were represented. Remember, you do not have to be a Chapter Rep to attend these meetings. It is a good time to bring up subjects you feel need to be brought up to the Board of Directors. One of the Presidents stated that their Rep had not brought up a few of the subjects we talked about. That is why we, the members of the district, thought it a good idea to meet one month before the B.O.D. I feel strong about attending other chapter functions to help them out if we can. The next meeting will be June 22nd in Litchfield before their Membership & Fun Run. September meeting will be on Sunday at the State Rally at 9:00 am in the Lake Chapter Tent.

Until next time
Shelly Deutsch

GLACIAL RIDGE

Next Meeting(s):

May 4th, Wood-N-Hearts, Glenwood, Following
tour/supper

June 1st, Swift Falls Campground, Benson, 6:00 pm

Upcoming Event(s):

May 4th, Tour/Supper, Wood-N-Hearts, Glenwood,
4:30 pm

May 5th, Intermediate Rider Training Course

May 31st-June 2nd, Camp out, Swift Falls
Campground, Benson

Hello Spring (or Winter):

Glacial Ridge is having two IRC's, and we are putting together an all women's BRC. May 5th and September 8th for our IRC. BRC is TBD. We were invited to Wood-N-Hearts May 4th for supper and our meeting. We will be touring the facility to see what they do.

We're planning a family-friendly camp out over Memorial Weekend. Some will ride there, some will bring their campers, but all will have fun. Trying to put together a few casual rides. If you don't make the time to ride, you won't have the time to ride.

See you at A.B.A.T.E. U!



This is Harley. Her mom just won the Indian Mini minibike. Rick was the original winner, but this worked out. Happiest baby biker! (Yes, she's a Young Rider with a photo release.)

BUFFALO RIDGE

No Report Received

SOUTHWEST

No Report Received

LAKE

Next Meeting(s):

May 5th, Missile Park, St Bonifacius, 3:00 pm
June 1st, Rendezvous Bar, Annandale, 3:00 pm
July 13th, Smoker's Airport Marine and Storage,
Breezy Point, 3:00 pm

Upcoming Event(s):

May 4th, Carver Motorcycle Ride, Hosted by Tri County,
Dog House Bar Carver, Registration 10:30 am
May 5th, Ditch Pick Up, Community Center, St
Bonifacius, 12:00 pm
May 11th, MN Wash Out, I94 Enfield Rest Stop
Mile Marker 187, 9:00 am
May 18th, BACA 100 mile run, Stoney's Bar, Rockville,
11:00 am
May 20th - May 21st, Bikers Inside the Beltway,
Washington DC
May 25th, Chapter Memorial Run, Hopkins American
Legion, 9:00 am
June 8th-9th, Riders Training Classes
June 8th, Sand Dunes Bike Rodeo, Bailey Ray's
Roadhouse, Santiago, 11:00 am
June 15th, Spring Into Summer Run, S.O.S Clubhouse,
Cokato, Registration 11:00 am
July 3rd-6th, Algona Freedom Rally, Algona, IA
July 11th-14th, Clean N Sober Bike Rally 2024,
15237 County Road 8 Comfrey

Thank you to everyone who came out to the March meeting. Thank you to the S.O.S. for hosting our meeting.

We are proud to announce the launch of our new social media accounts. Please take a moment to follow us and/or encourage all of your young people to. It helps to get A.B.A.T.E. out in the front and perhaps a young rider will find us.
Instagram: ABATEMNLakechapter, thread which you can access through Instagram, X(aka twitter): ABATEMNLake, YouTube: ABATEMNLakechapter.

ROLLING PRAIRIE

Next Meeting(s):

May 11th, River's Edge Golf Course, St. James, 3:00 pm
June 1st, Last Chance Saloon, Hanska, 9:00 am

Upcoming Event(s):

May 11th, Washout, St. James Rest Area, 7:30 am (setup)
May 11th, Adopt-a-Highway, Near Camper World,
Madelia, 1:00 pm
June 1st, Summer Kickstart Run, Last Chance Saloon,
Hanska, 12:00 pm (KSU)

Hello Family and Friends,

Now that spring is here, it's time to dust off your leathers and enjoy the sunshine.

We look forward to our Motorcycle Awareness event, the Washout, at the St. James area Rest Stop on Highway 60. We will wash your windshields as a way of

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. Photos can be emailed to lakechaptermn@gmail.com.

We hope everyone enjoyed their time at A.B.A.T.E. University. Hopefully you found some time to take one or more of the offered classes. We received both the 2024 passport books and the 2024 Rally Advanced Tickets. They are available for sale. Get yours soon before they sell out.

We have people registered for the motorcycle intermediate and advanced training classes on June 8th & June 9th. There are still 5 open spots for the intermediate class on the 8th and 4 open spots for the advanced class on the 9th. Please reach out to the chapter or Sherry Edgett to register (lefty245@aol.com). There is a refundable \$25 deposit to secure your place. The deposit is refunded after completion of the class, and attendance at one of the following two Lake Chapter meetings.

Our membership coordinator has some outreach membership opportunities planned. All new members who attend a meeting will be presented with the A.B.A.T.E. patch and chapter rocker.

– Until next month my friends- Ride Free,
April

asking you to watch for us on our motorcycles as we all travel the same roads together.

Then it's on to our start of summer riding with our Summer Kickstart Run. This year we are trying a new location as our starting and ending point. We will still see some amazing views as we travel along Southern Minnesota roads. Come join us for some fun and conversations.

We are in the planning stages of our annual Fallen Friends Memorial Ride September 7th and our 2nd annual Kids/Family Day, to be held later in September. Please follow us on Facebook Rolling Prairie to see updates of all our activities and meetings in the following months.

Until we see you again, ride safe,

– Giggles

WAY WEST

Next Meeting(s):

May 26th, Theodore Slen Park,
Madison, 12:00 pm
June 30th, Wood Lake City Park,
Wood Lake, 12:00 pm
July 28th, Granite Falls Memorial
Park, Granite Falls, 12:00 pm
August 25th, Litchfield Fairgrounds
September 29th, Dawson Gnome
Park, Dawson, 12:00 pm

Upcoming Event(s):

August 10th, Skimmer Memorial
Ride, Madison

Greetings! Ahhh...riding season is
amongst us. Note that our summer
meeting schedule has changed to
Sundays at noon.

Congratulations to our 2024 officers!

President..... Joe Ruby
Vice President Jim Toth
Secretary..... Jen Toth
Treasurer..... April Thompson
Chapter Rep..... Naomi Grosz
Sgt@Arms Jake Thell, Paul Rice,
Mike Hansen, Emily DeJager,
Terry Hilden and Jeremy Osteraas



2024 Way West Officers

SOUTH CENTRAL

Next Meeting(s):

May 1st, VFW Post 906, Hutchinson, 7:00 pm
June 5th, Horse Shoe Bar, Lake Lillian, 7:00 pm
July 10st, Off Center Bar, Clara City, 7:00 pm

Upcoming Event(s):

May 4st & 5st, Spring Fling Bike Show,
Litchfield Civic Arena, Litchfield,
10:00 am to 4:00 pm
May 15st, Spring Ditch Clean Up,
Odd Fellow's Park, Hutchinson, 6:00 pm
June 22nd, Southwest District Meeting,
LaPlante's, Litchfield, 9:30 am
June 22nd, Fun Run Membership Drive &
Campout, LaPlante's, Litchfield,
10:30 am (KSU 12:00)

By the time you read this, our 2 Day Bike
Show on May 4th & 5th will be here, we
hope to see you there! The bike
categories are: Custom, Classic, Stock,
Bagger, Rat, Trike, Sport, Best Paint, Best in
Show, People's Choice.

Our spring Ditch Clean Up will be on Wednesday
May 15th at 6:00 pm at Odd Fellows Park in
Hutchinson. The more people show up, the faster it
goes! Our 6th Annual Fun Run Membership Drive &
Campout will be on Saturday, June 22nd at the
LaPlante's in Litchfield, see the flyer in this Road
Noise. The Southwest District meeting will be held at



2024 South Central Officers:

Back row: Tad Lothert, Brian Schemmel, Curt Schmitz, Dougie Cohen, Mike
Voigt, Mike Niece; Front row: Ingrid Cohen, Gina "Silverfoxx" Maningoine,
John "Veeeight" Maningoine, Tina Myllykansas, Doug Louris.

9:30am. Registration is at 10:30am, kick stands up at
noon. Admission is \$20 which includes the ride, 2
meals, game prizes, music, and camping. We have
also just completed our annual food drive for the
Meeker County Food Shelf, to help promote May as
Motorcycle Awareness Month. Hope the weather is
warm and we are all enjoying the breeze between our
knees!

Ride Safe, Ingrid Cohen, Secretary

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Date	Chapter	Location	Time
5/1/24	North East Chapter Meeting	Heidi's Bar, Sedan	6:00 PM
5/1/24	South Central Chapter Meeting	VFW Post 906, Hutchinson	7:00 PM
5/2/24	Buffalo Ridge Chapter Meeting	City Hall Bar and Grill, Minneota	6:00 PM
5/2/24	Tri-County Chapter Fundraiser Ride Meeting	Cy's Bar, Chaska	6:30 PM
5/2/24	Tri-County Chapter Meeting	Cy's Bar, Chaska	7:00 PM
5/3/24	Southwest Chapter Meeting	Rushmore Community Center, Rushmore	7:00 PM
5/4/24	2024 Spring Fling Bike Show	Litchfield Civic Arena, Litchfield	10 - 4:00 PM
5/4/24	Borderland Chapter Meeting	Skippy Finn's, Badger	3:00 PM
5/4/24	Carver Motorcycle Ride	Dog House Bar, Carver	10:30 AM
5/4/24	Dirty Rotten Biker Fest		
5/4/24	Freedom First Chapter Meeting	VFW, Alexandria	4:00 PM
5/4/24	Glacial Ridge Chapter Meeting	Wood-N-Hearts, Glenwood	6:00 PM
5/4/24	Glacial Ridge Tour & Dinner Wood-N-Hearts	Wood-N-Hearts, Glenwood	4:30 PM
5/4/24	Motorcycle Awareness Parade		12:00 PM
5/5/24	2024 Spring Fling Bike Show	Litchfield Civic Arena, Litchfield	10 - 4:00 PM
5/5/24	Central Chapter Meeting	Doochies, St. Martin	12:00 PM
5/5/24	East Central Chapter Meeting	American Legion, St. Francis	11:00 AM
5/5/24	Lake Chapter Meeting	Missile Park, St. Bonifacius	3:00 PM
5/5/24	Lake Chapter Pick up	St. Bonifacius Community Center, St. Bonifacius	12:00 PM
5/5/24	Glacial Ridge Chapter Intermediate Rider Training Course		
5/11/24	River Valley Ditch Cleanup		
5/11/24	Rolling Prairie Adopt-A-Highway	Camper World, Madelia	1:00 PM
5/11/24	Rolling Prairie Chapter Meeting	River's Edge Golf Course, St. James	3:00 PM
5/11/24	MN Wash Out	I94 Enfield Rest Stop, Mile Marker 187	9:00 AM
5/11/24	Rolling Prairie Washout	St. James Area Rest Stop	8-12:00 PM
5/11/24	Straight River Chapter Meeting	Reggie's Bar, Owatonna	1:00 PM
5/12/24	Heart of the Lakes Chapter Meeting	Scrappy and Shannon's, 42324 Long Lake Rd, Ottertail	5:00 PM
5/12/24	Publication Committee Meeting	Via Zoom	11:00 AM
5/12/24	River Valley Chapter Meeting	Eagles club, Mankato	12:00 PM
5/12/24	Sand Dunes Chapter Meeting	The Buff, Big Lake	5:00 PM
5/13/24	Metro Chapter Taco Night	Casa Rio, Anoka	4-8:00 PM
5/14/24	Metro Chapter Meeting	VFW, Coon Rapids	7:00 PM
5/15/24	South Central Ditch Clean Up	Odd Fellow's Park, Hutchinson	6:00 PM
5/16/24	Motorcycle Safety Advisory Task Force Meeting	St. Paul College, St. Paul	5 - 7:00 pm
5/18/24	BACA 100 Mile Run	Stoney's Bar, Rockville	11:00 AM
5/18/24	Flatlanders Chapter Meeting	Kurt and Alice Wallace's home, 115 5th St SE, Geneva - Following Washout	
5/18/24	Flatlanders Chapter Washout	I35 Northbound Welcome Center	11-1:00 PM
5/18/24	Freedom First Riders Annual Bike Show		
5/18/24	Northstar Chapter Meeting	Beeida Bar and Grill	4:00 PM
5/18/24	Sand Dunes Chapter Spring Ride	Bailey Ray's Roadhouse, Santiago	9:00 AM
5/18/24	State Rally Meeting	Eagles Club, Litchfield	12:00 PM
5/19/24	Freedom First Riders Annual Bike Show		
5/19/24	Jack Pine Riders Chapter Meeting	Marge's Bar & Grill Brook Park, (meeting follow highway pickup)	1:00 PM
5/19/24	Ride for Terebinth	Sal's, St. Joseph	10:00 AM
5/19/24	Southeast LC Chapter Meeting	VFW, Rochester	11:00 AM
5/19/24	Tri-County Adopt-a-Highway Pickup		
5/20/24	Bikers Inside the Beltway	Washington, DC	
5/25/24	Lake chapter Memorial Run	Hopkins America Legion, Hopkins	9:00 AM
5/26/24	Metro Morial Fund Raiser	Route 47 Pub & Grub, Fridley	12 - 6:00 pm

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

5/26/24	Way West Chapter Meeting	Theodor Slen Park, Madison	12:00 PM
5/31/24	Glacial Ridge Chapter Campout	Swift Falls Campground	
6/1/24	Glacial Ridge Chapter Campout	Swift Falls Campground	
6/2/24	Glacial Ridge Chapter Campout	Swift Falls Campground	
6/1/24	Lake Chapter Meeting	Rendezvous Bar, Annandale	3:00 PM
6/1/24	Northstar 2nd Annual Meet and Greet	Cameron Park, Cameron	12-4:00 PM
6/1/24	Rolling Prairie Chapter Meeting	Last Chance Saloon, Hanska	9:00 AM
6/1/24	Rolling Prairie Summer Kickstart Run	Last Chance Saloon, Hanska, Registration	10:30 AM
6/2/24	Central Chapter Meeting	Hideaway, Rockville	12:00 PM
6/5/24	South Central Chapter Meeting	Horseshoe Bar, Lake Lillian	7:00 PM
6/6/24	Buffalo Ridge Chapter Meeting	City Hall Bar and Grill, Minneota	6:00 PM
6/6/24	Tri-County Chapter Meeting	Memorial Park, Shakopee	7:00 PM
6/1/24	Glacial Ridge Chapter Meeting	Swift Falls Campground	6:00 PM
6/8/24	Lake Chapter Riders Training Class		
6/8/24	Sand Dunes Bike Rodeo	Bailey Ray's Roadhouse, Santiago	
6/8/24	Mike Berg & Fallen Friends Memorial Ride		
6/8/24	Northstar Chapter Meeting	Silver Creek Saloon, Shevlin	4:00 PM
6/8/24	Straight River Chapter Meeting	Box Car, Waseca	1:00 PM
6/9/24	Lake Chapter Riders Training Class		
6/9/24	River Valley Chapter Meeting	Eagles Club, Mankato	12:00 PM
6/9/24	Sand Dunes Chapter Meeting	The Buff, Big Lake	5:00 PM
6/10/24	Metro Chapter Taco Night	Casa Rio Restaurant, Anoka	4 - 10:00 PM
6/10/24	Publication Committee Meeting	Via Zoom Meeting	6:30 PM
6/11/24	Metro Chapter Meeting	VFW, Coon Rapids	7:00 PM
6/15/24	Spring into Summer Run	SOS Clubhouse, Cokato	11:00 AM
6/15/24	State Rally Meeting	Eagles Club, Litchfield	12:00 PM
6/16/24	Jack Pine Riders Chapter Meeting	Squirrel Cage, Willow River	1:00 PM
6/16/24	Southeast LC Chapter Meeting	VFW, Rochester	11:00 AM
6/20/24	Summer Hummer - Wisconsin State Rally	ABATE Acres, Greenfield	
6/21/24	Summer Hummer - Wisconsin State Rally	ABATE Acres, Greenfield	
6/22/24	Freedom First Chapter Meeting	Eagles Healing Nest	11:00 AM
6/22/24	Run for the Bears, Buddy Bear Deliver to Tower, MN		
6/22/24	Southwest District Meeting	PaPlant's, Litchfield	9:30 AM
6/22/24	South Central Fun Run Membership Drive & Campout	LaPlante's Litchfield	10:30 AM
6/22/24	Summer Hummer - Wisconsin State Rally	ABATE Acres, Greenfield	
6/23/24	Summer Hummer - Wisconsin State Rally	ABATE Acres, Greenfield	
6/29/24	Motorcycle Safety Course		
6/30/24	Way West Chapter Meeting	Wood Lake City Park, Wood Lake	12:00 PM
7/3/24	Algona Freedom Rally	Algona, IA	
7/4/24	Algona Freedom Rally	Algona, IA	
7/5/24	Algona Freedom Rally	Algona, IA	
7/6/24	Algona Freedom Rally	Algona, IA	
7/9/24	Metro Chapter Meeting	VFW, Coon Rapids	7:00 PM
7/10/24	South Central Chapter Meeting	Off Center Bar, Clara City	7:00 PM
7/12/24	Andover Fun Fest		
7/13/24	Straight River Chapter Meeting	Joe's Bar, Fairbault	1:00 PM
7/13/24	Lake Chapter Meeting	Smoker's Airport Marine and Storage, Breezy Point	3:00 PM
7/11/24	Tri-County Chapter Meeting	Augusta Ball Parker, Augusta	7:00 PM
7/11/24	Clean N Sober Bike Rally	15237 County Road 8, Comfrey	
7/12/24	Clean N Sober Bike Rally	15238 County Road 8, Comfrey	
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7/14/24	Clean N Sober Bike Rally	15240 County Road 8, Comfrey	
7/28/24	Way West Chapter Meeting	Granite Falls Memorial Park, Granite Falls	12:00 PM
7/21/24	Jack Pine Riders Chapter Meeting	Maverick's Saloon, Beroun	1:00 PM
7/27/24	Road Guard Class	Pine Tech	



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8:00 am - 1:00 pm

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Sunday, June 9, 2024

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MAY 19TH, 2024

Registration 10 am - Kickstands up @ Noon

Start- Sal's Bar & Grill (*St. Joseph*)

1st stop- Andy's Hometown Tavern (*Eden Valley*)

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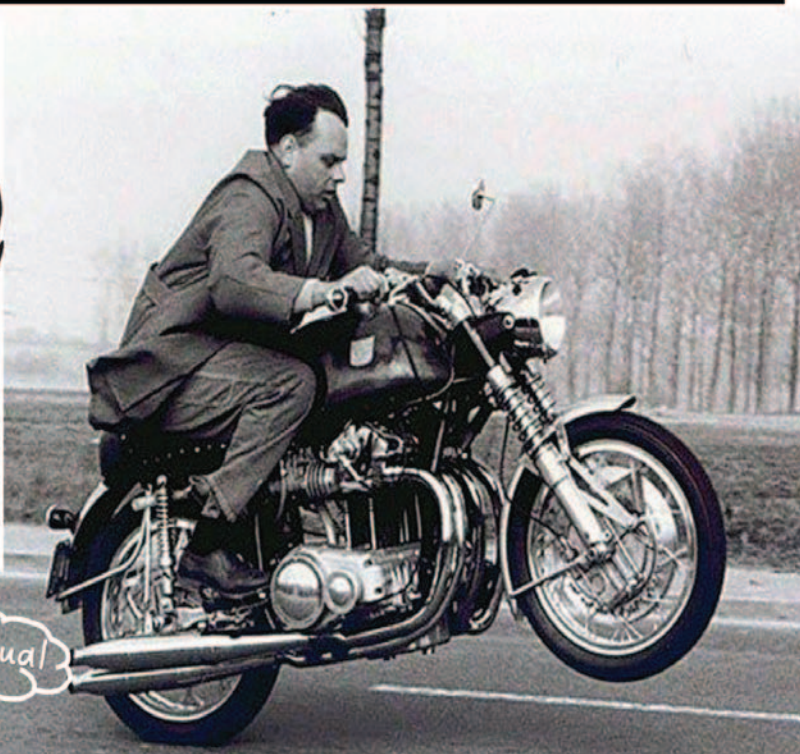
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