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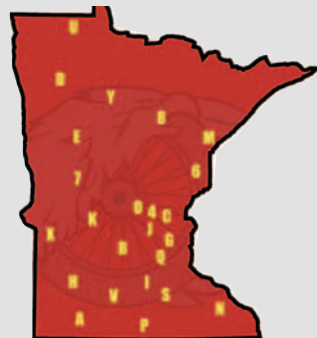
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American Bikers for Awareness, Training, and Education (A.B.A.T.E.) of Minnesota is a not for profit, grass roots organization that is committed to educating motorcyclists and the general public about motorcycling. A.B.A.T.E. members ride many different 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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Does anyone out there know about/ understand "Constant Contact"? We have 2,428 contacts and don't know how to use that information to benefit A.B.A.T.E. of MN. If you can help us, please contact me at [statecoordinator@abatemn.org](mailto:statecoordinator@abatemn.org) or call 612-910-1572. Your help would be greatly appreciated!

Do you want to hear information first hand? Instead of listening to rumors and false information, attend our quarterly Board of Director's meeting and hear the

information yourself. You might even be able to help your Chapter Rep at your next chapter meeting. There will even be a party on Saturday night!

Are you enjoying the summer weather and getting some miles on your bike? Have you met anyone and asked them to join A.B.A.T.E. of MN? We need people to help us fight for our freedom of the road. That even includes people to help at events to raise money to support our efforts.

Quote of the Day: *"Nothing great was ever achieved without enthusiasm."*

Ralph Waldo Emerson

Let's see what we can accomplish together!

*Jane*



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Well, we made it to July and I hope everyone who's going to the Freedom Rally in Iowa has a great time. Fun is always had by all.

With that being said, don't forget to make plans to attend our own state rally. There's a lot of planning that's been going on behind the scenes and I feel you will be in for a great Labor Day weekend.

And if you haven't heard, and I'm sure you'll hear more about it, the Lane Splitting bill passed this year. Now remember, this will not take affect until July 1st, 2025, so be patient and wait. And like anything, it's freedom of choice whether you plan to partake in certain situations with Lane Splitting or not. This is Minnesota and you can choose, like to wear a helmet or not.

And now for something, a little extreme. Have you ever thought about riding 120,000 miles in 120 Days? That would be an iron butt every day for four months. I did an iron butt once and didn't wanna ride for a week after.

Well, one of our members is planning on doing this next summer; 120,000 miles in 120 days. Scott Gottschalk has some extreme rides under his belt already and a few books, but I think this will be the most challenging for him yet. If you get a chance, check it out. [www.scott@NBTride.com](mailto:www.scott@NBTride.com)

I was talking with Scott and he could use all the support anyone could give him. You can check out where he's at on his ride and if you would want to ride with him for 500 miles or 100. He's more than happy to have people tagalong. And that would give you a chance to say you were a part of this ride. And a side note; he happens to live outside of Kingston. So if you get a chance, check it out.

Till next time,

*Jim*



### Lake Chapter Memorial Run 2024

For most people Memorial day is all about grilling and chilling. I agree with that, but also I want to pay my respects to those who have lost their life serving our country and from our chapter. On our Memorial run we could not visit every gravesite, unfortunately the list is long. We did our best to acknowledge all fallen members. The list includes founding members like "Brent Walsh", colorful members like "Circus boy", members only known for two weeks, members we've never met, and to the most recent "Donald 'Doc' Goodale".

All these people were members of Lake Chapter. Brothers, sisters, neighbors, friends, and family. They were important to someone and I enjoy hearing about each and everyone of them. I think this is an important event. I hope we can continue this every year. I would like to thank everyone that took the time to put all this together and everyone that could attend. Thank you.

Lee

### Where was A.B.A.T.E.?

Governor Walz signed a Motorcycle Lane Filtering bill into law on May 24th that will take effect in 2025 after a significant public awareness campaign. Some members of the A.B.A.T.E. of MN leadership team talked with a State Senator about Lane Filtering at Bikerday on March 13<sup>th</sup>. The bill was introduced and there was a hearing in the Senate Transportation Committee April 8<sup>th</sup>.

I am curious why A.B.A.T.E. of MN Leadership didn't inform the members about the hearing. The A.B.A.T.E. of MN membership tri-fold says, "A.B.A.T.E. of MN is the state's largest, most successful, proactive state motorcycle rights organization." It's odd that the states premier m/c

rights organization didn't reach out to the membership encouraging them to contact their elected officials, A.B.A.T.E. members are constantly being encouraged to get involved.

Our membership brochure also says, "keep members informed about motorcycling issues." Isn't lane filtering a motorcycling issue? I can write a letter to my elected officials about guns, taxes, abortion, etc. and if I send the letter and response to A.B.A.T.E. and I can earn a patch. Why wasn't I encouraged to earn a patch for this motorcycling issue? The committee hearing was almost four weeks after A.B.A.T.E. of MN leadership heard about this bill. Multiple A.B.A.T.E. Chapters have State Senators on the committee.

The point could be made that A.B.A.T.E. didn't have a position on lane filtering. That's true, so does that mean that our members will be kept in the dark on all motorcycle issues that A.B.A.T.E. doesn't have a position on? Part of A.B.A.T.E.'s mission says, "Encourage motorcycle enthusiast to register to vote to ensure that you have a voice in the political process." Did our members have a fair chance to have our voices heard?

Some will make the argument that if you don't want to lane filter, then don't, it won't affect you. The \$200,000 for the public awareness campaign is coming out of the m/c safety fund. A.B.A.T.E. encouraged our members to reach out to our elected officials on bills that would protect and preserve the m/c safety fund. So, we can reach out to our politicians about increasing the fund, but we weren't encouraged to reach out in regard to how the money should be spent?

The A.B.A.T.E. of MN Operations and Procedure Manual says "The business purpose of this corporation shall be to act as legislative watchdog." I guess the dog was sleeping on this one. I am a due paying hard working A.B.A.T.E. of MN member. I have spent a lot of time and money supporting A.B.A.T.E. to keep me informed on all motorcycle related legislation. A.B.A.T.E. leadership failed the membership on this one. Where was A.B.A.T.E.?

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Happy July 4th!! Summer is here and life is good! Hope you are getting out and enjoying all the events happening around the state. Make sure to have some tri folds in your pocket, along with a pen, to sign up members while you are out. Contact me with any questions you may have and I will try to answer them.

Later, *Mitch*



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I would like to share some information I failed to include in my report last month. As many of you know Tri-County chapter had two traveling awards made for participation at Bikerday. Here is a little information related to that participation. We had 170 pre-registered members attend, the chapter with the largest number in attendance was Lake, 23 members. We had pre-registered members from 23 chapters attend and we had 13 Young Riders join us.

There was an award presented to the chapter with a member traveling the greatest distance from home to attend. That award was presented to Tim Sandland & Borderland Chapter. Tim traveled 320 Miles with an approximate travel time of 5 1/2 Hours. The other award was presented to the chapter with the greatest percentage of their members registered and in attendance. That award was presented to Buffalo Ridge chapter, they had 12.9% of their members registered and in attendance. Congratulations to the winners and thank you for the extra effort and all you do to support motorcyclists. Who will earn these awards in 2025?

Our Minnesota legislative session has come to an end and bills that were not passed will need to be carried over to next year. This certainly does not say we should stop talking to legislators about issues. Our issues will need to be introduced again next year but we can be asking for support on issues now. We can be asking legislators and candidates if they will support us. Ask about issues presented in Bikerday talking points or any other motorcycle related issues you may be concerned with. Meet and Greets, Town Hall meetings and parades are

all good opportunities to talk with legislator and candidates. We can share our concerns, and ask if they will support our position.

When you find legislators and candidates that support us send a copy of the communication to Write 2 Ride to earn your patch and or rocker. We will record that information and keep track of the legislators that support us. When we find candidates that support us, we need to help them get elected. We can help on campaigns, phone banks, door knocking, putting up yard signs, these are all areas our members have volunteered for in the past. Don't forget It takes money to run a campaign and in Minnesota we have a tool called Political Contribution Refund to help. This program allows you to make a donation of up to \$75 to an eligible candidate. You make the donation, get a receipt, fill out a short form, send it in and Minnesota refunds the \$75. Every one of our members should be using this tool to help elect candidates of their choice, candidates that support our issues.

A Motorcycle Ground Light bill that A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota asked to have introduced is included in HF 3436 4th Engrossment 24.18 - 24.22 the effective date is July 1, 2024

Subd. 6.  
Motorcycle ground light.  
Notwithstanding section 169.64, subdivision 4a, a motorcycle may be equipped with white ground lights mounted under the motorcycle if:  
(1) the bulbs or strips are not visible to operators of other vehicles; and  
(2) the lights are aimed as to project a steady, non-flashing beam not more than six feet in radius directly onto the roadway and illuminate an area around the motorcycle.

Thanks for reading

*frank*





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If you are a current Motorcycle Riders Foundation member, thank you for your support. Because of members like you, we have been very successful in Washington getting legislation passed that benefits all motorcyclists. But our fight on Capitol Hill is just beginning! Our mode of transportation and our lifestyle are under constant attack. Here are some of our current legislative issues.

### Right to Repair

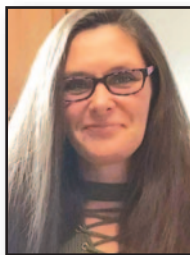
Do you enjoy working on your motorcycle? Do you want to guarantee access to the parts, tools and service information required to modify, service and maintain your bike? If you answered yes to these questions, it is time to contact your legislator in the House of Representatives and tell them to cosponsor H.R. 906, the Right to Equitable and Professional Auto Industry Repair Act or the REPAIR Act.

The REPAIR Act will ensure that vehicle owners or repair shops will have access to the information, software or tools needed to work on vehicles. The proposed law also establishes rules regarding vehicle data access. This commonsense law will help preserve consumer choice and a fair marketplace.

### Internal Combustion Engines (ICE)

Earlier this year, the Biden Administration presented plans to shift this country to a majority Electric Vehicle (EV) market over the next ten years. In June, Senator Markwayne Mullin of Oklahoma introduced S.2090, the Preserving Choice in Vehicle Purchases Act. This bill would amend the Clean Air Act to prevent a ban on the sale of Internal Combustion Engines, effectively trumping any state law that outlaws their sale. S. 2090 is the Senate's version of H.R. 1435, a bill that recently passed out of the House Energy and Commerce Committee.

*Ryan*



## HISTORIAN

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I hope everyone is having a great summer so far and getting to a lot of events and lots of wind time!

(Picture This in Your Mind. Unless you were there. Then you already know.)

### September 1988

#### Issue 9

A.B.A.T.E. of MN, Inc. Newsletter  
3 pages, printed front and back,  
folded in thirds, stapled, then mailed.

- The Editor is Scott 'Hawk' Roemhildt.
- The State Coordinator & State Office is Rick Lewis.
- There are a total of 8 Chapters.
- 6 Chapters made a submission, as 2 Chapters were fairly new.
- 3 Logo submissions were added to the newsletter, which had been postponed so that a larger number of members could vote on it.
- There were 4 upcoming events between September and November. Map directions to an event were hand drawn.
- Dues were \$15 for a Single, and \$20 for a Couple.

At the top of the newsletter was a list of names to consider for the newsletter:

- Free Wheeler Monitor,
- Free Spirit Sentinel,
- Ridin' News,
- Wheelin' News,
- Biker Monthly,
- Smart Forker,
- Livin' Free, and
- Cruisin'.

We have certainly come a long way! The simplicity and small volume of that newsletter, compared to what we know and read today, wow! And thank you to those members like Hawk that did the typing, printing, copying, folding, stapling and mailing to help keep this organization thriving!

Ride Safe. Ride Free! Gaida "G" Trout

*Gaida "G" Trout*



## LEGISLATIVE REPORT

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The following were signed into law by the Governor in May:

### Lane Splitting

This bill seeks to amend the Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 169.974, subdivision 5, to authorize the practice of motorcycle lane splitting under certain conditions. Lane splitting refers to the act of motorcycles riding between lanes of traffic moving or stationary in the same direction. Under the proposed amendment, lane splitting would be permissible if the motorcycle does not exceed 25 miles per hour and is operated at no more than 15 miles per hour over the speed of traffic. The bill also prohibits the obstruction of lane splitting and mandates that all motorcycles must ride with their headlights always switched on. An allocation of funds is proposed for conducting a statewide public education campaign to promote safer lane splitting practices. The proposed changes would come into effect July 1, 2025.

### Motorcycle Lighting

Motorcycle lighting permits a motorcycle to be equipped with certain white vehicle ground lights under the vehicle, so long as the light bulbs or strips are not visible to other vehicles and are aimed to project a steady non-flashing beam of light not bigger than six feet in radius onto the road area and illuminating an area around the vehicle.

*"Pray for the best, prepare for the worse,  
and expect the Unexpected."*

Thanks,

*Gary Goracke,*

Legislative Director



## A.B.A.T.E. UNIVERSITY

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A.B.A.T.E. University, save the date, April 25<sup>th</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup>.

We are working on things for next year's event.



## EDUCATION

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It has been quite a world of difference between this year and last year regarding the Young Riders Scholarship Program. With the late launch last year, I was playing catch up all summer long. Constantly signing kids up all the way into the last week of training in October. I was also updating all of you each month with financial and attendance numbers. This year, all the funds were spent in early April and with the change in attendance reporting, it just makes sense to wait until October to get the overall percentage of students that attended the courses we paid for.

I find myself having less to report on each month and less of an anchor holding me down with the constant barrage of applicant emails. Not only have we increased from 60 students (last year) to 98 students (this year), but now there is a lull and I have found the opportunity to attend more of other chapters' fundraising events, so you might see me at one of yours! Not to worry, when the time is right, I will have financial figures, attendance percentages, and a geographical breakdown of where the students were funded to take rider training.

Once again, if your chapter, or you personally, want to take advantage of District Rider Training funds please reach out to your District Director. Stay safe out there!

*"The goal of education is the  
advancement of knowledge and  
the dissemination of truth."*

-John F. Kennedy

*Jon Fernholz*

# NCOM LIAISON

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As riding, relaxing and basically enjoying motorcycle season is in full swing, I need to ask "When is helping, learning or working at becoming a more educated motorcycle rider season for YOU?"

At the NCOM convention, two YES only two members represented all of Minnesota, which is disappointing because this last convention was only 6.5 hours away from the Twin Cities.

If all aspects of on road motorcycle riding are not your thing, then what is? Supporting regional conferences?

Or are you into other states annual rallies? Now you can help whatever it is that fuels your on road motorcycling by volunteering at any of these things. You live to ride to enjoy!!! Volunteers rule the world, be one.

*JustDale*

A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota liaison to NCOM



# MEMBERSHIP & RETENTION

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First, I want to say THANK YOU to all who signed up and helped at the Membership table in Algona!!

Well, we are in the swing of things as far as riding goes, so I imagine that the State Office will be getting a lot of new members signed up.

The June numbers look a tiny bit better; we had a +12 to the membership list. There are 1,275 singles and 1,354 couples, total of 2,629. That is about half of what is in the database! I keep saying this, we need to work at getting expired members back into current!

The Chapter with the highest increase as of June 2<sup>nd</sup> is South Central with a +8, way to go! 2<sup>nd</sup> highest is Metro with a +7, great job! Next up we have a tie, Freedom First Riders and Way West with an increase of +6. Impressive!

Just a bit of information, if you have a question about your membership, please contact the State Office not Membership & Retention's email. You will have a faster time with a response! If you need forms, then ask M&R.

See ya down the Road!

*Shelly*



# PRODUCTS REPORT

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Happy 4th of July! Well, another month has passed. Morgan and I are still busy trying to get to as many chapter fundraisers as we can. I just want to remind the Chapters that I am a volunteer and any traveling I do for A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota as the State Products Manager is not paid for by the State. If the Chapters want the State Products team at their fundraisers to sell State Products, they should be helping pay for gas at least. Currently, it is not in the budget for A.B.A.T.E. to pay me to travel for fundraisers so I am footing the bill myself. So, if the Chapters could help me out it would be appreciated.

In the middle of May I ended up having health issues, which are slowly getting better, but I would appreciate some extra patience with getting orders filled and sent out. I am trying my best, but some days are not so good right now. However, I will get it done as soon as I physically can. Thank you for understanding that my health does come before anything else.

I cannot think of anything else right now, but I will see you at the July BOD later this month.

Until then ride safe,

*Kari*



# GAMBLING REPORT

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**Nothing new to report.**





# STATE RALLY REPORT

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## Next Meeting (s):

July 19<sup>th</sup>, B.O.D. location, 8:00 pm

August 17<sup>th</sup>, Eagles Club, Litchfield, 12:00 pm

August is fast approaching, are you ready for the State Rally? I hope everyone comes to this celebration, to recognize our accomplishments for 2024 and connect with your other chapter families. Have you signed up to volunteer yet? It really does take a village to run the rally. If everyone signs up, then people would only have to do one shift. See the details below...

## 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 gets you a volunteer patch. Drawing prizes will be handed out at the October B.O.D.

## 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.

All sponsor forms and fees need to be postmarked and mailed to the address on the form before August 1st.

## RALLY FLYERS

Help us hang flyers to help spread the word, this will help encourage all walks of life to attend and help us get potential new members! The flyer is available for download on the State website and was passed out to your Chapter Rep at the April BOD. 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 1/2 by 11 size this year.

## ADVANCED ADMISSION TICKETS

You can buy advanced tickets online at the state website, or from your Chapter if they have some. \$40 weekend pass. They are only available until July 20<sup>th</sup>. Regular price at the door is \$50.

## 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 1<sup>st</sup>, 8:00 pm.

## 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.

## KING & QUEEN NOMINATIONS

Email debkviz@outlook.com by the JULY B.O.D. to submit your Chapter's candidates for the Rally Royalty Pageant. Deb is also still looking for a leather sales vendor and a motorcycle dealership vendor.

## MEETINGS & SCHEDULE

Vice Presidents are required to attend the rally meetings or send someone in their place, and everyone 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. Watch for next month's (August) article, there will be info on how your specific chapter can help at the Rally, and more details of everything the Rally has to offer!*

*Dougie Cohen*, Rally Chair

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



# YOUNG RIDERS REPORT

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Hi!

I am thrilled to say that we are signing up Young Riders on a regular basis. We can get kids outside and win some money. We have a State Park Passport Club. Just have a photo release for the youth signed, send a picture in, and be entered into the drawing! Easy as that. It runs for a year. We are going to award prizes next year at A.B.A.T.E. University. Photo releases are very important, we need to protect our youth.

We are going to be at Millville for the FXR National in Spring Creek MX Park. There is a list of Motocross Tracks and if you or your chapter need or want more information on the Young Riders program, send an email to [youngriders@abatemn.org](mailto:youngriders@abatemn.org)

*Harmony*

## Thanks to our Proud Supporters!

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

Jane Doyle .....June 23 - May 25  
Jon Fernholz .....June 23 - November, 24  
Jim & Kristie Orn .....June 23 - May, 25  
Alex & Kelly Erickson .....June 23 - May 25  
Vicki & Frank Ernst J .....une 23 - May, 25  
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 .....August 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 .....January 24 - December 24  
Bergdale Harley Davidson,  
Albert Lea MN ....January 24 - December 24  
Freedom First chapter  
A.B.A.T.E. of MN ....February 24 - January 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  
A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota State Treasurer  
16550 226th Ave NW  
Elk River MN 55330



## MARKETING DIRECTOR

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Good Summer Day!

I see some great events going on Facebook, and the rides. Great job promoting A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota and our Young Riders program. County fairs are coming up, if they haven't had one in your area yet. Fun themes for parades make people wonder what A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota is. Ours is going to be a 50's biker theme, think Grease, the movie.

See you at the next B.O.D. in July! Be safe!

*Harmony*



## STATE OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR

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Well, by the time you read this Algona will be in the books. I can always tell who is going to the Rally.

About the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of June, membership processing picks up and the panic of wondering if they will get their new card in time. Here's a thought ... Maybe we need to start looking at cards at the meetings. If the members are expiring at the end of the month, renew right at the meeting and the chapter can send it in for you... just a thought!

Keep on keepin on! *Shelly*



## WAYS & MEANS REPORT

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**No Report Received**



# MOTORCYCLE SAFETY TASK FORCE

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## Next Meeting(s):

July 18<sup>th</sup>, Saint Paul College,  
5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

The afternoon prior to the task force meeting on May 16<sup>th</sup>, 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 of the 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.

This report is getting long and I can touch on more in the next one. Make your own choices and keep your head on a swivel.

*Jon Fernholz*



## PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE

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## Next Meeting(s):

July 13<sup>th</sup>, Zoom meeting, 11:00 am  
August 11<sup>th</sup>, Zoom meeting, 11:00 am

We are all very busy and with riding season in full gear please remember when submitting any article, advertising or flyers they have to go to [roadnoise@abatemn.org](mailto:roadnoise@abatemn.org) and put in subject line what you are sending and the information in the body of your email, the flyers and pictures in jpeg format. 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 the Road Noise issues has more information. Thank you!

*Tammy*





# A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota Inc.

## Tentative Board of Directors

### Meeting Agenda

### Saturday July 20, 2024

### 9:00 AM

*Isle of Dreams Bar & Events, Spring Valley MN*

<b>Opening</b>	9:00 AM Call to order	Jane Doyle
	Pledge of Allegiance and Welcome	Mike Burgess
	Invocation	Edgar Burke
	Roll call	Michele Legried
	Agenda approval / changes	Jane Doyle
	Secretary Report - April 2024	Michele Legried
	Treasurer's Report	Michelle Backlund
<b>Legislative Reports</b>	Legislative Director	Gary Goracke
	Motorcycle PAC of MN	Mark Senn
	NCOM (National Coalition of Motorcyclists)	Dale Peterson
	MRF (Motorcycle Riders Foundation)	Ryan Triebenbach
	Write to Ride	Frank Ernst
<b>Committee Reports</b> <small>(Committee Chairs submit written reports, up to 5 minutes for verbal report, if more time needed request in advance)</small>	A.B.A.T.E. University	Stephanie Christensen
	Education	Jon Fernholz
	Young Riders Program	Harmony Sturges
	Gambling	Dan Matzdorff
	Buddy Bear Program	Sharon Polman
	Historian	Gaida Trout
	Marketing	Harmony Sturges
	Membership & Member Retention	Shelly Deutsch
	Passport Run	Jon Smith
	Products	Kari Duncan

Publications	Tammy Winkels
State Rally	Dougie Cohen
Ways and Means	Kristy Luhman
State Office	Shelly Deutsch
MCDAR (Motorcycle Dial-A-Ride)	John Nelson
Motorcycle Safety Advisory Task Force	Jon Fernholz
MN Motorcycle Club Coalition & Confederation of Clubs of MN	Dale Peterson and Jane Doyle
Fundraising Opportunity Discussion & Vote	
By-Law Discussion regarding Condition Memberships	
Chapter Patch approval – Metro & Northwest	
Heartland STEAM 2026	
Treasurer	Michelle Backlund
Secretary	Michele Legried
Southeast District Director	Mike Burgess
Southwest District Director	Shelly Deutsch
Northwest District Director	Edgar Burke
Northeast District Director	Chad Marchand
Assistant State Coordinator	Jim Orn
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State Coordinator	Jane Doyle
<b>ANNOUNCEMENTS /ADJOURNMENT</b>	

**Isle of Dreams Bar & Event Center • 13029 Co. Hwy. 3 • Spring Valley, MN**

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**Held in conjunction with Southeast LC's Summer Shenanigan's Party!**

# Veteran of the Month

## Dan “Hives” Bursaw

U.S. Army Vet

Glacial Ridge Chapter

*Jim, we Thank You  
for your service!*

*“Home of the Free,  
Because of the Brave”*



## MEMBER OF THE MONTH

## RICK KIDROWSKI

Glacial Ridge Chapter

*He's at every meeting,  
helps out when and  
where he's needed.*

*He's not only a chapter  
member, he's our friend!*





## Tummy's ROD SHOP



**Insurance Claims**



**Restorations**



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Paint  
Bikes*

r always hostidoes body work in Villard.  
Great Guy - Great Shop!  
*Beware of his big puppy, he loves people!*

## BIKE OF THE MONTH



### 2023 KTM Duke 200

This KTM was recently purchased by the Minnesota Motorcycle Safety Center to be used by students taking the Basic Rider Course (BRC). After his motorcycle had a mechanical issue on the training range, Jon Fernholz (Tri-County) is seen manhandling this beast of a motorcycle during a training event held for the members of the Motorcycle Safety Task Force. By the human to motorcycle ratio, I would say he's well on his way to becoming a Shriner!

*If you take a BRC this summer, you might have an opportunity to learn on a sweet ride like this one.*





**SOUTHEAST DISTRICT**

# Chapter Grapevines

**MIKE BURGESS, DIRECTOR**

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It was great to see everyone. at the District meeting we had. Four out of five chapters president 14 People Total.

Now that we are in to full riding season, I hope that we out supporting other chapter runs and fundraisers. Make sure you have Tri-folds to sign up new members. The next district meeting will be August 31, at the State rally. Until next time ride free.

*Mike*

## **SOUTHEAST LC**

### **Next Meeting(s):**

June 16<sup>th</sup>, Rochester VFW, Rochester, 11:00 am  
July 21<sup>st</sup>, Rochester VFW, Rochester, 11:00 am  
August 18<sup>th</sup>, Rochester VFW, Rochester, 11:00 am

### **Upcoming Event(s):**

July 9<sup>th</sup>, Southeast LC Bike Night, Tillys at  
1175 Lake Shady Ave. S., Oronoco, 5:00-9:00 pm  
July 19<sup>th</sup>, B.O.D. meeting (Gambling Committee  
at 6:00 pm, Pre-Board at 7:00 pm, & State Rally  
meeting at 8:00 pm) , Isle of Dreams Bar and  
Event Center, 13029 Co Hwy 3, Spring Valley  
July 19<sup>th</sup>, Kick off for Summer Shenanigans Party,  
13029 Co Hwy 3, Spring Valley  
July 20<sup>th</sup>, July B.O.D. meeting starting at 9:00am  
& Summer Shenanigans Party at Isle of Dreams  
Bar and Event Center  
August 13<sup>th</sup>, Southeast LC Bike Night at Tillys,  
Oronoco, 5:00-9:00 pm  
September 10<sup>th</sup>, Southeast LC Bike Night at Tillys,  
Oronoco, 5:00-9:00 pm

Greetings from SE LC.

This has been a very busy summer so far with all the graduations, bike nights, and rides for different causes and events. It would be nice if

the weather would cooperate a little better. But I guess, it is what it is.

Our chapter is going to have bike nights at Tillys in Oronoco (see above for time and address). This will be the second Tuesday of the month from June through September. There will be a taco bar (free will donation), some bike games and maybe some beanbag boards for those who want to practice their skills. Hope to see you there. We will be needing chapter members to help with the event.

Our chapter sends our deepest condolences to Tony and Stacy Roe from the Flatlanders on the loss of their young daughter. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

Don't forget about the Summer Shenanigans Party along with the Board of Directors meeting on July 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>. The party should be a lot of fun with several games and events planned as well as the famous mud pit. So come and have some fun and plan to get muddy. We are also needing chapter members to help with the event.

Have a great summer everyone and be safe out there.

– Terry

## TRI COUNTY

### Next Meeting(s):

July 11<sup>th</sup>, Big Jon & Kristy's home,  
310 Benton St W., Cologne; Pot Luck (bring a  
dish to pass), 6:30 pm ; Meeting, 7:00 pm  
August 1<sup>st</sup>, Cy's Bar, Chaska, 7:00 pm  
September 14<sup>th</sup>, Carver Beach Playground,  
900 Carver Beach Rd, Chanhassen, Meeting  
10:30 am

Thank you to Vicki and Frank Ernst for hosting our  
June meeting and to our own Chef Bill Ernst for  
grilling! We had such a nice turnout of members  
coming! It's like having a grillout with family!  
Complete with ice cream treats!

Also thank you to Representative Bobbie Harder  
and her husband Neal for joining us at our  
outdoor meeting.

Our July meeting will be at our chapter  
President's home. They will have sloppy joes,  
chips, and baked beans. Please bring a dish to  
share and a lawn chair for yourself! August  
meeting is back at Cys Bar in Chaska, 7:00 pm!!

Our chapter sponsored event called the Freedom  
Social will be held on September 14<sup>th</sup> at the  
Carver Beach Playground. Our chapter meeting  
will be held here at 10:30 am and the social will  
start at noon! More info to come!!

On a personal note... the 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Harley  
Heaven Memorial

Motorcycle Ride  
will be  
Saturday,  
August 17<sup>th</sup>, with  
proceeds  
benefiting  
equally... Ronald  
McDonald House  
Mpls, TriCo  
A.B.A.T.E., and  
Jordan Family  
Outreach. Ride  
leaves Pickled Pig  
in Jordan at noon  
rain or shine!  
Dave & Katie  
will represent  
our chapter  
there with a  
membership  
table next to  
the donation  
registration!  
See you there!!!

As always, read  
the Road Noise  
articles  
submitted each month to stay up to date on your  
motorcycle news!!

– Peace out, Ger



***Chef Bill grilling the  
burgers and brats!***

## FLATLANDERS

### Next Meeting(s):

July 13<sup>th</sup>, Jim and Dena Brechs home, 216  
1<sup>st</sup> Ave NW, New Richland, MN 56072

Hello from the Flatlanders.

July already, can you believe it! Time flies when  
you're having fun or for some getting older (me).  
Hope everyone has been getting some miles on  
and enjoying the great outdoors when you can.  
Also, I hope you all are getting to some  
fundraisers. The other chapters appreciate your  
support, believe me.

One of the things our Chapter loves to do is  
spend money. So, on June 8<sup>th</sup> we participated in  
The Geneva Cancer Run Ride and donated a nice

some of money to help them, help others, with  
cancer. It is such a good feeling helping others  
when you can!!

In May, we lost a very special and beautiful young  
lady, Gracie Lou Roe, daughter to Tony and Stacy.  
It was truly unexpected and extremely sad. For  
those of us who knew her, we will miss her. We  
love you both and are here if needed. To our  
entire A.B.A.T.E. family, I ask you to keep them in  
your thoughts and prayers, as we all are, as they  
continue to heal.

Keep the shiny side up and the rubber on the road.

Peace, Love and Hugs

– Michele Legried

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

# RIVER VALLEY

## Next Meeting(s):

July 14<sup>th</sup>, Eagles Club, Mankato, 12:00 pm  
August 11<sup>th</sup>, Eagles Club, Mankato, 12:00pm

## Upcoming Event(s):

August 24<sup>th</sup>, River Valley Gives Back Ride and Fundraiser  
August 30<sup>th</sup>-September 2<sup>nd</sup>, State Rally, Meeker County Fairgrounds, Litchfield  
Buddy Bears Run, TBD

Hello All!

First off, we want to let you know that it's that time again for our RIVER VALLEY GIVES BACK RIDE!!!! For our 6<sup>th</sup> year, on Saturday, August 24<sup>th</sup>, we chose to support the North Mankato Reserve Police! Every year for our Motorcycle Awareness Parade they have generously donated their time to participate in helping us stay safe by keeping traffic at bay for our ride. So check out our chapter's page on FB for details and come join us. We're hoping to see a lot of familiar and, of course, new faces!

We would like to thank everyone who

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## STRAIGHT RIVER

### Next Meeting(s):

July 14<sup>th</sup>, Joe's Bar, Fairbault, 1:00 pm  
August 11<sup>th</sup>, JC Park, Owatonna, 1:00 pm  
September 8<sup>th</sup>, Box Car, Waseca, 1:00 pm

Hope everyone is out enjoying the weather, when it is not rainy or extremely windy. We had a good time in Savanna, IL.

By the time you read this we will have had our Free Will donation "Park" ride.

Everything's coming together for the big event we are putting on, August 10<sup>th</sup>, in Warsaw, Channel Inn. Band, ride, silent auction. A Lot of stuff going on. So come out and enjoy the day. More updates will be posted to our FB page.

God Bless everyone and be safe out there.

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

participated in the Mike Berg & Fallen Friends Memorial Ride. It was a beautiful day with a great group of wonderful people. The continued support will help further the message of safety and training. This year, so far, two of our members have benefitted from this ride in getting their motorcycle endorsement. Congratulations to Laurie Neagle and Kayla Wyman for passing their motorcycle riders course! We are very proud of you!!

Our RV Chapter Thursday Summer Runs have been happening and it's been awesome not only in getting another ride in but being able to get to know our chapters current and future members a bit more. Can't wait until the next ride!!!!

Thank you to all who were able to attend and help out doing the ditch pick up and after lunch get together. We had a small group that got-er-done in a reasonable amount of time and then had some fun with Erin and Lori doing a little sack race.... I think there may have to be a re-do the next time. Also, a huge thank you to all that helped sell Poppies at Mills Fleet Farm!

A Buddy Bears run is in the planning... so we're looking forward for more of our chapter coming together for that ride.

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 chapters events!

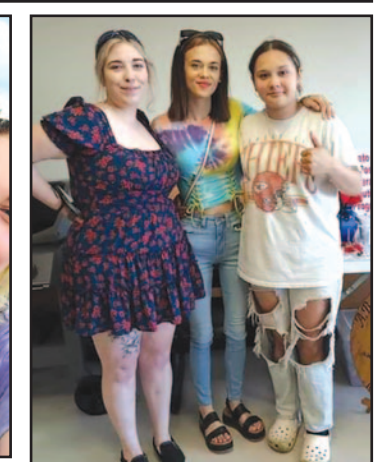
Make sure you pay attention to your Road Noise calendar of events. Let's get out there and support our fellow chapter's fundraisers. Every little bit helps.

Enjoy your summer and keep it shiny side up!

— Anthony Crandell , President

**See River Valley photos  
on Page 20.**









**SOUTHWEST DISTRICT**

# Chapter Grapevines

**SHELLY DEUTSCH, DIRECTOR**  
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July is here. Have you rode to other chapter events? Have you signed everyone you know that rides into this great organization? I bet most of you went to Iowa's great Freedom Rally. Are you planning on coming to your own Rally?

With our memberships slipping, are you doing all you can to help keep your freedoms? Have you written to your legislators about your concerns?

Have you signed up for at least one 4 hour shift at the State Rally? I have heard the comment so many times, year after year, "this is my vacation, I didn't come here to work!" If everyone in this organization thought that way, where would we be? So many questions.

Until next time,

*Shelly*

## WAY WEST

### Next Meeting(s):

July 28<sup>th</sup>, Memorial Park, Granite Falls,  
12:00 pm

August 25<sup>th</sup>, Rally Grounds, Litchfield,  
2:00 pm

September 29<sup>th</sup>, Gnome Park, Dawson,  
12:00 pm

### Upcoming Event(s):

August 10<sup>th</sup>, Skimmer Memorial Ride,  
Madison (open to the public)

August 30<sup>th</sup>-September 2<sup>nd</sup>, State Rally, Meeker Fairgrounds,  
Litchfield

Greetings,

I hope you are all having a great riding season so far. Thanks to all who came to ditch pickup.

The last annual Skimmer Memorial ride is coming up on August 10<sup>th</sup> in Madison. This is open to the public and we would love you all to be there.

Passport books are available to purchase. The Vice President, Jim, has our advanced Rally tickets. Can't wait.

Keep your knees in the breeze,

– Gypsy Mama

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## **SOUTH CENTRAL**

### **Next Meeting(s):**

July 10<sup>th</sup>, Off Center Bar, Clara City,  
7:00 pm  
August 7<sup>th</sup>, Riverside Bar, Forest City,  
7:00 pm  
August 28<sup>th</sup> (Sept Mtg), Rally  
Fairgrounds,  
Litchfield, 7:00 pm  
October 2<sup>nd</sup>, Valley Inn, Eden Valley,  
7:00 pm



In May we completed our Spring Ditch Clean up and an Atwater Buddy Bear delivery (see photos above and right). Thanks to everyone who participated.

By the time you read this we will have completed our two June events. More to report on that next month.

Hope we are seeing you down in Algona right now. Should be a fun time for the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary!

Can you believe the State Rally is the end of next month? Check out our rally report in this Road Noise.

South Central's wish for everyone is to enjoy a safe riding summer, visit other chapter events, and to help A.B.A.T.E. recruit more members. That's it for now, till next time.

– Ride Free, Ingrid Cohen, Secretary



## **ROLLING PRAIRIE**

### **Next Meeting(s):**

July 20<sup>th</sup>, Clubhouse, Ormsby, 10:00 am  
September 6<sup>th</sup>, Last Chance Saloon,  
Hanska, 7:00 pm  
October 5<sup>th</sup>, The 91 Bar, Hanska, 3:00 pm

### **Upcoming Event(s):**

August 30<sup>th</sup> - September 2<sup>nd</sup>, A.B.A.T.E. of  
Minnesota State Rally  
September 7<sup>th</sup>, Fallen Friends Memorial Ride,  
Last Chance Saloon, Hanska, 10:00 am

Happy 4th of July!

I hope you are enjoying your summer so far. I know that we have been very busy since I wrote the last Grapevine. We had our Summer Kickstart Ride on June 1<sup>st</sup>. We had beautiful weather and a great turnout for our ride. We gained some new members and made some new friends along the way.

June 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> we delivered 200 Buddy Bears to our area hospitals, fire departments, and ambulance services. We had a great couple of days of riding to get all those bears delivered.

We have been planning our annual Fallen Friends Memorial Ride. We will be starting and ending at the Last Chance Saloon in Hanska. Registration is from 10-11:30 am followed by a memorial service at 11:30. Kickstands up at 12:00. Cost is \$20 for the driver and \$10 for passengers. All are welcome to help us honor our fallen.

I think that is all for now.

Keep the rubber side down and ride safe,

– Giggles

**See all Rolling Prairie  
Buddy Bear Photos  
on Page 23!**



# Rolling Prairie delivered 200 Buddy Bears in their area!





# LAKE

## Next Meeting(s):

July 13<sup>th</sup>, Smoker's Airport Marine and Storage,  
Breezy Point, 3:00 pm  
July 27<sup>th</sup>, (technically our August meeting) TBD  
planning for Uptown Bar, Waverly, 3:00 pm  
September no chapter meeting

## Upcoming Event(s):

July 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>, Algona Freedom Rally, Algona, IA  
July 11<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup>, Clean N Sober Bike Rally 2024,  
15237 County Road 8, Comfrey  
July 19<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup>, B.O.D., Isle of Dreams Bar and Grill  
13029 Cty Rd 23, Spring Valley / Primitive  
Camping: 745 N Broadway Ave, Spring Valley  
August 1<sup>st</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>, Sturgis Rally  
August 6<sup>th</sup>, MN day in Central City, SD  
August 15<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup>, Minnesota State CMA Rally,  
Lake Geneva Christian Center, Alexandria  
August 17<sup>th</sup>, Gear Head Get Together, Maple  
Lake, 8:00 am - 6:00 pm  
August 17<sup>th</sup>, VFW Summerfest, Monticello  
August 30<sup>th</sup>-September 2<sup>nd</sup>, MN State Rally,  
Meeker County Fairgrounds, Litchfield  
August 31<sup>st</sup>, Informal gathering under the  
chapter tent and chapter photo, 12:00 pm  
September 1<sup>st</sup>, District Meeting, Under the Lake  
Chapter Tent at the Rally, 9:00 am  
September 25<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup>, Meeting of the Minds,  
Renaissance St Louis Airport Hotel, St. Louis, MO

Thank you to Tom and Brittney at Rendezvous Bar  
and Grill in Annandale for hosting our meeting.  
They were excellent hosts and we welcomed  
them as new Lake Chapter members during our  
meeting. Jim Kosse and Nikki Arne were  
nominated to represent the Chapter as our Rally  
King and Queen. We had our Spring into Summer  
Run on June 15<sup>th</sup>. Thank to the S.O.S. for hosting  
the start of the run. Look for more details in the  
August Road Noise.

Please take a moment to follow us on all our  
social media accounts 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.

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.

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. The Chapter was honored to present 3  
new members with their patch and rocker at our  
June meeting.

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

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## GLACIAL RIDGE

### Next Meeting(s):

July 6<sup>th</sup>, Marcia's Bar, Brooten, 6:00 pm (Potluck)  
August 3<sup>rd</sup>, Location TBD, 6:00 pm

### Upcoming Event(s):

July 14<sup>th</sup>, Bonanza Valley Days, Brooten,  
12:00 pm (Parade)  
July 28<sup>th</sup>, Waterama Days, Glenwood, 11:00 am  
(Parade)

We had our camp out in the rain! Memorial  
Weekend was a very damp weekend. We had 5  
members camp, but we ended up with 16  
members and one guest coming. We all ended  
up in the camper to have the meeting, so it was  
close quarters, but it was fun. Lots of things  
coming up this summer, just trying to get out and  
ride. The summers are short, and I know that if I  
don't make the time to do fun things, we won't do  
them. The lawn, dishes, laundry, will all wait.  
Those chores won't go anywhere but time does.  
Go ride! Go do that fun thing this summer that  
you want to do. Make the time.

– Ride Safe! Harmony

# BUFFALO RIDGE

Greetings Freedom Fighters,

Obviously, I have fallen out of practice when it comes to submitting our Road Noise articles, as our May and June submissions weren't received by the Publications Committee. So, this one may be a little lengthy, as it consists of ALL of our chapter's activities since April:

Three of our members trekked to the St. Paul for Bikerday. Our two legislators are "friendlies" who have made it super clear they don't want to hear us bring up helmet laws until it is an actual issue, and sternly warned us that if we keep bringing it up, someone will eventually take notice and make it an issue. Because our meetings were scheduled for the afternoon, and after talking to their perspective admin assistants, our group didn't want to add to chaos of the list of 8 scheduled constituent groups for that afternoon. So, we opted to sign in, leave notes, and send emails upon our return to the windy prairie. On the way, we stopped to tour the Cathedral of St. Paul, followed by lunch, pull tabs, and a few games of pool closer to home. Six hours of driving for non-meetings may sound ridiculous, but a day spent transporting two of our Nation's Veterans to our State Capitol was a GREAT day!



**Buffalo Ridge Chapter  
members with their Bikerday plaque,**

Little did we know, our attendance at the Capitol earned the Buffalo Ridge Chapter an award for the most registered attendees actually in attendance. We are displaying this plaque proudly and are very honored to have received this award. Thank you, A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota, for the recognition!

The Buffalo Ridge Chapter taught another Share the Road class on Monday, April 29<sup>th</sup>. This was the most lively, interactive class we have had since pre-COVID! We handed out several Young Riders brochures and training brochures for rider training classes. With the training classes being right here in Marshall, many were hoping to take advantage of the scholarship program, so I feel bad there aren't any more scholarships available for the year.

In other business, the Buffalo Ridge Chapter just keeps on keepin' on. Our chapter is small in numbers, but a mighty force in the driver's education classroom. We have recently invested in more "swag" to hand out during the classes. We have classes happening in the months to come as our local Drivers' Education classes gear up for the summer. . . keeping the A-T-E in A.B.A.T.E.!

Thanks for reading!

– Kris,  
Buffalo Ridge Chapter  
Secretary/Treasurer





## NORTHEAST DISTRICT

# Chapter Graphevines

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Summer is here and many of you are getting ready to head to Algona. There are lots of opportunities for you all to help and volunteer while you're there and the help is always appreciated. As a reminder, you can also still sign up for volunteer shifts for Your State Rally. There are a lot of jobs to be done and shifts to fill but the reality is that if every member who came took one shift, we would run out of work for people to do. As always, I am going to encourage everyone to help your chapter, help your neighboring chapter, take a class to improve your skills, get out to rides and events, and bring your friends. The more we work together the easier it becomes to get things done.

I have heard a lot of discussions about lane splitting becoming legal next year and it's clear we have a variety of views on this. My view is that it is another tool that can be used to help us stay safe on the road. Like any tool when used incorrectly it can cause a lot of damage. Let's use these tools as intended. We have the opportunity to show how this tool can be used to benefit not only riders, but the driving public at large.

I have been slacking on holding District meetings. I will be holding a **District Meeting on Saturday, July 13<sup>th</sup> at the Upper Kettle River Shakedown at 3:00 pm.** This should allow anyone who wants to go on the Memorial Ride to go.

Until next time, ride safe.

*Chad*

## UP NORTH

Just a reminder that meetings for the Up North Chapter of A.B.A.T.E. of MN are now held the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month at 3:00 pm at the Calumet Saloon.

We will be having a Burger Barn Fundraiser on July 29<sup>th</sup> starting at 3:00 pm at the Moose in Grand Rapids. We will be serving burgers and brats and have a bake sale.

– Chris Parks  
Up North Chapter President

**A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota Inc.  
B.O.D.  
MEETING**

**SATURDAY, JULY 20**

**Isle of Dreams Bar & Events, Spring Valley**

## NORTHEAST

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

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 12<sup>th</sup> year with 50+ people attending. We line both sides of the street and hold 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 later on either seeing us in person or on the news. Thank you Dorrie Meyer for arranging this event every year and giving us the change to get out and be heard.

– Ride safe, Ed

# METRO

## Next Meeting(s):

July 9<sup>th</sup>, VFW, Coon Rapids, 7:00 pm

August 13<sup>th</sup>, VFW, Coon Rapids, 7:00 pm

September 10<sup>th</sup>, VFW, Coon Rapids, 7:00 pm

Meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month, 7:00 pm at the Coon Rapids VFW, 191 Coon Rapids Blvd

## Upcoming Event(s):

Metro Chapter Recurring Fundraisers:

Taco Night, Casa Rio Restaurant, 201

Jackson Street, Anoka from

4:00 - 8:00 pm

Sunday Brunch, Route 47 Pub and Grub,

7820 University Ave NE, Fridley

8:00 am to Noon

*To keep up with Metro Chapter events, please check out website,*

*[www.metro-mn.com](http://www.metro-mn.com)*

*and on Facebook at*

*[www.facebook.com/groups/190580868718741](https://www.facebook.com/groups/190580868718741)*

Our MetroMemorial has come and gone and we had a lot of fun. We were also blessed with really nice weather which gave way to 58 bikes at the event. We had 16 entries for the bike show which saw a '68 panhead and bike that is painted as the American Flag. The awards that were given at the bike show were Best in show won by Maggie Lemica and Best Paint was won and awarded, I apologize for not having her name.

Metro Chapter gives a big thank you to Dar's Goof, Dark Knight Laser Engraving, CMA, Endless Bridge Wood Works, Bandanas & Bling by Carol, Deetra Custom Leather and the great and fun band Southern Express. We give Route 47 Pub and Grub a big thank you for helping us put on a wonderful event and their great hospitality.

The chapter has now turned its attention to planning our fall event which will include a bike run. Our fall event is family friendly and will include a bagger and treat (can't be trunk and treat since motorcycles don't have trunks). As for the bike run, we will have a route and some stops set as well as some twisties for added fun.

Until next month, be ready to read my next installment to find out "What The Shadow Knows."



**Bike Show Winners**







## CENTRAL

### Next Meeting(s):

July 14<sup>th</sup> - 10 Spot, Royalton, 12:00 pm  
 August 4<sup>th</sup> - Tavern on First, Little Falls, 12:00 pm  
 September 1<sup>ST</sup> - Meeker County Fairgrounds/State Rally, 12:00 pm  
 October 6<sup>th</sup> - The Legion, Clearwater, 12:15 pm  
 November 3<sup>rd</sup> - Ultimate, Waite Park, 12:00 pm  
 Special thank you to Hideaway, Rockville for hosting our last meeting.

### Upcoming events:

August 15<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> - Biker Bash Revival,  
 Thursday, August 15<sup>th</sup> - Jam it Anyway Entertainment  
 Friday, August 16<sup>th</sup> - Crimson Edge  
 Saturday, August 17<sup>th</sup> - Diamond Back  
 We are still looking for vendors and sponsors, please contact Joe Bud Wiser for more information.

Thank you, to everyone that came out to the First Annual Terebinth Ride on May 19<sup>th</sup>. Had an amazing turn out and the auction was just phenomenal. Now on to all the Thank You's: Thank you, to Sals Bar & Grill for hosting us and having the meat raffle and auction. Thank you, to Andy's Hometown Tavern and Pearl Lake Lodge for hosting us along the run. Thank you, to all the representatives, from Terebinth Refuge that made it out and had some fun with us. Thank you, to all the people and businesses that donated to the auction. It was a great turnout! Our auctioneer: Bud Wiser and the fabulous "Vanna Whites": Chad Heggestad, Steve Geo, Joey Lang and Jameson Lemke. Thank you, to the Road Guards for keeping us all safe throughout the ride. Last but not least: Thank you to the committee for doing such a wonderful job in such little time! Steve Geo, Julie Wiser, Melissa Hansen, Aaron Fenzel, Jennifer Heggestad, Chad Heggestad and Joey Lang. Absolutely cannot wait till next year to see how we can grow this event further.



One of the A.B.A.T.E Events we got to go to this past month was Metro Chapter Memorial Day Event. We a lot of fun out there and always nice to be able to see our future rides attend A.B.A.T.E events that are family friendly.

Everyone have a safe and fun 4th of July.

– Until next month, Cowboy and Ling





## SAND DUNES

### Next Meeting(s):

July 14<sup>th</sup>, The Buff, Big Lake, 5:00 pm

August 11<sup>th</sup>, The Buff, Big Lake, 5:00 pm

September 8<sup>th</sup>, The Buff, Big Lake, 5:00 pm

### Upcoming Event(s):

July 27<sup>th</sup>, Road Guard Class, Pine Technical College,  
8:00AM - 11:00 am

September 14<sup>th</sup>, Sand Dunes Fall Ride, Time and Location TBD

Greetings one and all! Our 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Bike Show and Rodeo was held June 8<sup>th</sup> and it was an awesome event! We had fantastic weather, great events and a good turnout. Although we were hoping for a larger crowd, considering we changed venues, moved the event from a Sunday to a Saturday, and competed with numerous graduations and other events, we were very pleased with the showing. We had great participation in the Bike Show and many beautiful bikes and a wide variety. And now we begin planning next year's event.

This month's report is rather short; however, just a reminder, that the riding season is in full swing and there is literally a ride or event every weekend. Enjoy the summer and ride safely. That's all for now! Take care and peace out!

– Mike Olkives





# JACK PINE RIDERS

## Next Meeting(s):

July 21<sup>st</sup>, Maverick's Saloon, Beroun, 1:00 pm  
August 18<sup>th</sup>, Nickerson Bar, Nickerson, 10:00 am  
September 15<sup>th</sup>, Marge's Pub & Grub, Brook Park.  
1:00 pm

## Upcoming Event(s):

July 3<sup>rd</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup>, A.B.A.T.E. of Iowa "Freedom Rally",  
Algona, IA  
July 12<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup>, Jack Pine Riders 18<sup>th</sup> Annual "Upper  
Kettle River Shakedown", Finlayson  
August 1<sup>st</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup>, 84<sup>th</sup> Annual Sturgis Rally, Sturgis, SD  
August 18<sup>th</sup>, Memorial Ride weekend, ride ends at  
Nickerson Bar, Riding/Camping/Bonfire and  
more

We are looking forward to seeing you all at the 18<sup>th</sup>  
Annual Upper Kettle River Shakedown, featuring  
live music, camping, vendors, bike games, human  
games, auction, bonfires nightly, memorial ride,  
and more. Check this issue of Road Noise for the  
poster. Quick shout out to all our members to help  
with repairs, updates, clean up, and set up to our  
U.K.R.S. music trailer/stage and event grounds in  
general. Please attend and lend a hand. The more  
hands the quicker/easier we can be done. Show  
up early and stay late if possible. Beer and  
refreshments available for those that help.

The next roadside cleanup is scheduled for  
September 15<sup>th</sup>, 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 with  
this worthwhile endeavor.

Check this issue of Road Noise for 18<sup>th</sup> 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: [hjp://www.jackpineriders.org](http://www.jackpineriders.org) Or check  
out the Jack Pine Riders Facebook page.

Respectfully, The Grapevine Jesus

# EAST CENTRAL

## Next Meeting(s):

July meeting has been canceled  
August 4<sup>th</sup>, American Legion, St. Francis, 11:00 am

## Upcoming Event(s):

July 12<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup>, Andover Family Fun Fest, Andover  
July 20<sup>th</sup>, Bond Slaves Run (Road Guards)  
July 27<sup>th</sup>, Road Guard Class, Pine Tech  
August 24<sup>th</sup>, Joe Boys Run (Road Guards)  
August 30<sup>th</sup> - September 2<sup>nd</sup>, State Rally, Litchfield  
November 23<sup>rd</sup>, Turkey Bowling, American Legion,  
St. Francis  
February 8<sup>th</sup>, Heart On, American Legion, St. Francis

Hope you all had fun at Algona and now Sturgis is  
right around the corner. Now is the perfect time to  
get out there and ride but keep an eye on the  
sky. Hail sucks. Do you have a plan in case you  
suddenly get caught out in the open and severe  
weather is imminent? You will not have much time  
to think about it then, now is the time to plan.

By the time you read this, our Buddy Bear delivery  
to Tower will be in the books. We would like to  
thank everyone who participated in putting this  
together. The memories we make and have made  
in the minds and hearts of the people of Tower will  
last a lifetime. Hopefully, these bears will be a  
soft spot in some child's incredibly hard day.

We are looking forward to the Bond Slaves Run and  
the Joe Boys Run. Both events are a fun time. Road  
guards are still needed for both runs so volunteer if  
you can. If you are not a road guard but would like  
to be, there are still spots open for the noon to 3:00  
pm class at Pine Tech. Call them directly to get into  
the class. State Rally is coming up fast too and they  
are looking for volunteers of all sorts. Help them  
out and sign up for a few shifts if you are able.

Turkey Bowling is back by popular demand and if  
you have never bowled a frozen turkey then this is  
your chance to bring one home for your freezer,  
and I do not mean the one you just rolled across  
the floor. Help with a toy or food donation and  
come have a lot of fun. But that is way out in the  
fall, and I do not even want to think about that yet.  
Have a great summer and enjoy the ride!

- Kelly



**NORTHWEST DISTRICT**

# Chapter Grapevines

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Howdy Folks!

**America!! Happy 4th of July!!**

Summer is flying by fast! Before you know it, we will be in Sturgis enjoying the beauty of the hills. Ride safe out there. Make sure you check your tires. Them South Dakota roads are hard on them.

**Next The Minnesota State Rally!!**

Get on a volunteer list. Let's make this Fun for Everyone! The more that step up the less work for everyone. I enjoy helping out. You get to talk with all the people that come through the gate and see where they're from.

Ride on over to another chapter fundraiser and support them. In turn they will support YOU.

Join up a new or expired member. The more the merrier!

Any questions or concerns give me a call and I will do my best to help.

Take Care and Ride Free

*Edgar*

## **BORDERLAND**

### **Next Meeting(s):**

July 14<sup>th</sup>, Cyrus Resort, Baudette, 3:00 pm

Aug 18<sup>th</sup>, Fourtown Bar and Grill, Grygla, 3:00 pm

### **Upcoming Event(s):**

July 20<sup>th</sup>, A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota, B.O.D.,  
Spring Valley,

August 30<sup>th</sup> - September 2<sup>nd</sup>, A.B.A.T.E. of  
Minnesota, State Rally, Litchfield

Hello Borderland!

Welcome to all our new Borderland members! We had a great meeting at the Hobo in Newfolden and we thank Dawn and Tim Maurstad for their great hospitality! Ryan (Sparky) Gilbert grilled these awesome 1/2 lb burgers and it warmed us up after a chilly ride. Thanks! We voted to make charitable donations to; MRF A&E, Northlands

Rescue Mission, Roseau Four Seasons Center and more. Sell those rally raffle tickets so we have that gambling \$ for charities. We also are pushing the Young Riders program so, either through our gambling account or some out of our general account so we can support our Young Riders!

Now our State Rally is coming up soon so be there and help out. It is a good time, doing gate work or security details, or running around ice for Dial-A-Ride. Having said that, we do wish a very successful Max's Bash that same weekend. MWMC does a great job in all they do!

So, this is an election year. Can we turn this around in our country and state or do we lose our rights, freedom, and liberty? It is up to us to do what we can, right? Let's turn this state red. See ya at Cyrus! Ride safe!

– Twistin' da Wick, Tim



# **NORTH STAR**

## **Upcoming Event(s):**

July 13th, Lobo's

Hello!

We had a great time at A.B.A.T.E. University. Our Meet and Greet went nicely. I didn't get to go on the Ride for the Troops but heard reports of a very nice ride and meals.

Chapter members are meeting at Patches Crib, for our Passport Run, June 22<sup>nd</sup> at 10:00 am for breakfast before hitting locations.

June 15<sup>th</sup> was our Chapter meeting in Shelvin. July 3<sup>rd</sup> is our Jaycees Annual Water Carnival, 5:00-11:00 pm and July 4<sup>th</sup> - 7<sup>th</sup> from noon till 11:00 pm. July 19<sup>th</sup>, 8:00 pm B.O.D. location Rally Meeting. August 17<sup>th</sup>, 12:00 pm Litchfield Eagles Club, Rally meeting.

And of course, we are all looking forward to the State Rally, August 30<sup>th</sup> -September 2<sup>nd</sup> State Rally.

– Be safe, Patches

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**A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota Inc.**

**B.O.D.**

**MEETING**

**SATURDAY, JULY 20**

**Isle of Dreams Bar & Events, Spring Valley**

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## **HEART OF THE LAKES**

Well, I start this month's grapevine by eating some crow - Jon has found hand signals in the MN Drivers Manual. (Serving crow was NOT his intention). Three, to be exact, on page 25! However, the manual from drive.mn.org that I scoped out has different info on that page, and nothing to connect those hand signals to motorcyclists. Still doesn't make that crow taste any better!

I hope you all are getting in some wind time; I have every chance I get.

# **FREEDOM FIRST RIDERS**

## **Next Meeting(s):**

June 22<sup>nd</sup>, Eagles Healing Nest, 11:00 am

July 13<sup>th</sup>, Wood-N-Hearts Facility, 20849 S Lakeshore Dr, Glenwood, 11:00 am

Greetings FFR Members,

Thanks to all those that were able to support the last few State Events around the local area and for everyone that supported the ditch pickup and the Freedom First Riders Annual Bike Show!!

FFR sold the winning ticket for the A.B.A.T.E. University Raffle, sold by our own Patty Sherod!! The winner was also from our local area and that should definitely help with sales for next year. Congratulations to all the winners from the Raffle!

Our chapter has made several donations in the past few months to organizations that we normally support and a few new ones. Still looking for new ideas for fund raising opportunities for the chapter.

The Intermediate Rider Course is still set for the 7<sup>th</sup> of June, 3:00-8:00 pm, at the Alexandria Technical College. We have three out of the 12 spots spoken for and we would like to fill it with FFR members prior to reaching out the other chapters! Please let me know if you are interested and can conduct the course. It's a great learning experience for you with your ride!

"Expect the Unexpected"

– Big Papa

I am excited that there was movement on the lane filtering and that it is going to be implemented next year. However, a question tumbling around is when taking advantage of this how much angst it will cause for us; or maybe there will be none at all. How many people will understand this is an acceptable, legal maneuver and not just us being whatever descriptive word that pops into their minds. I hope it gets as much media coverage as the destruction of MSP did.

Enjoy the wind, ride far and God's smile on you and yours.

– Jess



## NORTHWEST

### Next Meeting(s):

June 29<sup>th</sup>, Carols Cozy, Brooks, 11:00 am.

Ride to follow, weather permitting.

July 27<sup>th</sup>, Muni, Mentor, 11:00 am. Ride to follow, weather permitting.

We held our 35<sup>th</sup> Annual Ride-In May 31<sup>st</sup> - June 2<sup>nd</sup>. Thank you to all who came out and made it

such a fun event.

This year during the Ride-In we held our 1<sup>st</sup> Fallen Member Memorial Ride. It was a great success. We plan on continuing this ride every Ride-In.

Please plan to attend our 36<sup>th</sup> Annual Ride-In in 2025 (Date TBD).





# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Date	Chapter	Location	Time
7/3/24	Algona Freedom Rally	Algona, IA	
7/3/24	North East Chapter Meeting	The Chalet, Hermantown	6:30 PM
7/4/24	Algona Freedom Rally	Algona, IA	
7/5/24	Algona Freedom Rally	Algona, IA	
7/6/24	Algona Freedom Rally	Algona, IA	
7/6/24	Glacial Ridge Chapter Meeting	Marcia's Bar in Brooten	6:00 PM
7/8/24	Metro Chapter Taco Night	Casa Rio Restaurant, Anoka	7:00 PM
7/9/24	Metro Chapter Meeting	VFW, Coon Rapids	7:00 PM
7/9/24	Southeast LC Bike Night	Tilly's, Oronoco	5-9:00 PM
7/10/24	South Central Chapter Meeting	Off Center Bar, Clara City	7:00 PM
7/11/24	Clean N Sober Bike Rally	15237 County Road 8, Comfrey	
7/11/24	Tri-County Chapter Meeting	Big Jon & Kristi, 310 Benton St W. Colgne	6:30 PM
7/12/24	Andover Fun Fest		
7/12/24	Clean N Sober Bike Rally	15238 County Road 8, Comfrey	
7/12/24	Jack Pine Riders 18th Annula Upper Kettle River Shakedown	Finlayson, MN	
7/12/24	Southwest Chapter Meeting	Rushmore Community Center, Rushmore	7:00 PM
7/13/24	Clean N Sober Bike Rally	15239 County Road 8, Comfrey	
7/13/24	Flatlanders Chapter Meeting	Jim & Dena Brech's, 216 1st St NW, New Richland	2:00 PM
7/13/24	Freedom First Chapter Meeting	Woods-N-Hearts Facility, Glenwood	11:00 AM
7/13/24	Jack Pine Riders 18th Annula Upper Kettle River Shakedown	Finlayson, MN	
7/13/24	Lake Chapter Meeting	Smoker's, Airport Marine & Storage, Breezy Point	3:00 PM
7/13/24	Straight River Chapter Meeting	Joe's Bar, Fairbault	1:00 PM
7/14/24	Bonanza Valley Days,	Brooten, Parade	12:00 PM
7/14/24	Borderland Chapter Meeting	Cyrus Resort, Baudette	3:00 PM
7/14/24	Central Chapter Meeting	10 Spot, Royalton	12:00 PM
7/14/24	Clean N Sober Bike Rally	15240 County Road 8, Comfrey	
7/14/24	Jack Pine Riders 18th Annula Upper Kettle River Shakedown	Finlayson, MN	
7/14/24	River Valley Chapter Meeting	Eagles Club, Mankato	12:00 PM
7/14/24	Sand Dunes Chapter Meeting	The Buff, Big Lake	5:00 PM
7/18/24	Motorcycle Safety Task Force	St. Paul College	5-7:00 pm
7/19/24	Gambling Meeting	Spring Valley, Isle of Dreams Bar and Grill	6:00 PM
7/19/24	July Board of Directors Meeting	Spring Valley, Isle of Dreams Bar and Grill	
7/19/24	State Rally Commiittee Meeting	Spring Valley, Isle of Dreams Bar and Grill	8:00 PM
7/20/24	Board of Directors Meeting	Spring Valley, Isle of Dreams Bar and Grill	9:00 AM
7/20/24	Bond Slaves Run		
7/20/24	Rolling Prairie Chapter Meeting	Clubhouse, Ormsby	10:00 AM
7/21/24	Jack Pine Riders Chapter Meeting	Maverick's Saloon, Beroun	1:00 PM
7/21/24	Southeast LC Chapter Meeting	The VFW, Rochester	11:00 AM
7/27/24	Lake Chapter Meeting	Temtative: Uptown Bar, Waverly	3:00 PM
7/27/24	Northwest Chapter Meeting	The Muni, Mentor	11:00 AM
7/27/24	Road Guard Class	Pine Tech	
7/28/24	Waterama Days	Glenwood, Parade	11:00 AM
7/28/24	Way West Chapter Meeting	Granite Falls Memorial Park, Granite Falls	12:00 PM
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	TBD	
8/4/24	84th Annual Sturgis Rally	Sturgis, SD	

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

8/4/24	Central Chapter Meeting	Tavern of First, Little Falls	12:00 PM
8/4/24	East 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 - Lake Chapter Sponsored	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	
8/10/24	84th Annual Sturgis Rally	Sturgis, SD	
8/10/24	Skimmer Memorial Ride	Madison (open to public)	
8/11/24	84th Annual Sturgis Rally	Sturgis, SD	
8/11/24	River Valley Chapter Meeting	Eagles Club, Mankato	12:00 PM
8/11/24	Sand Dunes Chapter Meeting	The Buff	5:00 PM
8/13/24	Metro Chapter Meeting	VFW, Coon Rapids	7:00 PM
8/13/24	Southeast LC Bike Night	Tilly's, Oronoco	5-9:00 PM
8/15/24	Central Chapter Biker Bash Revival	Morrison County Fairgrounds	
8/15/24	Minnesota State CMA Rally	Lake Geneva Christian Center, Alexandria	
8/16/24	Central Chapter Biker Bash Revival	Morrison County Fairgrounds	
8/16/24	Minnesota State CMA Rally	Lake Geneva Christian Center, Alexandria	
8/17/24	Central Chapter Biker Bash Revival	Morrison County Fairgrounds	
8/17/24	Harley Heaven Ride		
8/17/24	Minnesota State CMA Rally	Lake Geneva Christian Center, Alexandria	
8/17/24	State Rally Committee Meeting	Eagles Club, Litchfield	12:00 PM
8/17/24	VFW Summerfest	Monticello	
8/18/24	Borderland Chapter Meeting	Fourtown Bar and Grill, Grygia	3:00 PM
8/18/24	Jack Pine Riders Chapter Meeting	Nickerson Bar, Nickerson	10:00 AM
8/18/24	Memorial Ride Weekend	and more.	
8/18/24	Minnesota State CMA Rally	Lake Geneva Christian Center, Alexandria	
8/18/24	Southeast LC Chapter Meeting	The VFW, Rochester	11:00 AM
8/24/24	Joe Boys Run (Road Guards)		
8/24/24	Roiver Valley Gives Back Ride and Fundraiser		
8/25/24	Way West Chapter Meeting	Meeker Couynty Rally Grounds	12:00 PM
8/28/24	South Central Chapter Meeting	Meeker County Fairgrounds, Litchfield	7:00 PM
8/30/24	MN State ABATE Rally	Meeker Fairgrouds, Litchfield	
8/31/24	Lake Chapter Gathering	Under Tent, State Rally Meeker County Fairgrounds	12:00 PM
8/31/24	MN State ABATE Rally	Meeker Fairgrouds, Litchfield	
9/1/24	Central Chapter Meeting	Meeker County Fairgrounds State Rally	12:00 PM
9/1/24	District Meeting	Lake Chapter Tent State Rally	9:00 AM
9/1/24	MN State ABATE Rally	Meeker Fairgrouds, Litchfield	
9/2/24	MN State ABATE Rally	Meeker Fairgrouds, Litchfield	
9/6/24	Rolling Prairie Chapter Meeting	Last Chance Saloon, Hanska	7:00 PM
9/7/24	Fallen Friends Ride		
9/8/24	Sand Dunes Chapter Meeting	The Buff, Big Lake	6:00 PM
9/10/24	Metro Chapter Meeting	VFW, Coon Rapids	7:00 PM
9/10/24	Southeast LC Bike Night	Tilly's, Oronoco	5-7:00 PM
9/14/24	Tri-County Chapter Meeting	Carver Beach Playground, Chanhassen	10:30 AM
9/15/24	Jack Pine Riders Chapter Meeting	Marge's Pub & Grub, Brook Park	1:00 PM
9/25/24	Meeting of the Minds	Renaissance, St. Louis Airport Hotel, St. Louis,MO	
9/26/24	Meeting of the Minds	Renaissance, St. Louis Airport Hotel, St. Louis,MO	
9/27/24	Meeting of the Minds	Renaissance, St. Louis Airport Hotel, St. Louis,MO	
9/28/24	Meeting of the Minds	Renaissance, St. Louis Airport Hotel, St. Louis,MO	
9/29/24	Meeting of the Minds	Renaissance, St. Louis Airport Hotel, St. Louis,MO	
9/29/24	Way West Chapter Meeting	Dawson Gnome Park, Dawson	12:00 PM



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## 2024 State Motorcycle Rally

### Sponsorship Program

A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota (American Bikers for Awareness, Training, and Education), a not for profit motorcycle rights organization (501(c)4), is seeking sponsors for our 2024 State Rally, to be held August 30<sup>th</sup>-September 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Meeker County Fairgrounds in Litchfield, MN.

As part of our Sponsorship program we are offering generous recognition, advertising, vendor space, and passes for the participation of you, your employees and customers in our event.

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#### Diamond Sponsorship

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It includes:

- Your business will have signage on either side or above the stage area in the bar and band hub location
- Your company name and logo published in the Road Noise magazine, A.B.A.T.E.'s official publication (circulation 4,000+)
- A full page ad in our Rally program and your company name and logo included on the cover
- Your company name and logo listed on our website
- 12 free weekend passes to the Rally to use or distribute as you please

#### Gold Sponsorship

**The Gold Level Sponsorship is \$1,000**

It includes:

- Medium signage in the bar and band hub location
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- Your company name listed on our website
- One free weekend pass to the Rally to use or distribute as you please

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Our members are avid motorcycle enthusiasts who support those businesses who support them. For more information about A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota please visit our website at [www.abatemn.org](http://www.abatemn.org).

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*Thank you for your consideration. We look forward to further discussing this exciting opportunity with you soon!*

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# State Park Young Riders Passport Club



Young Riders offer youth an opportunity and incentive to explore Minnesota's State Parks

## **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](mailto:youngriders@abatemn.org) or Facebook messenger.

## **PRIZES:**

- 1st place- \$100.00
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## **A.B.A T.E. of Minnesota Young Riders**





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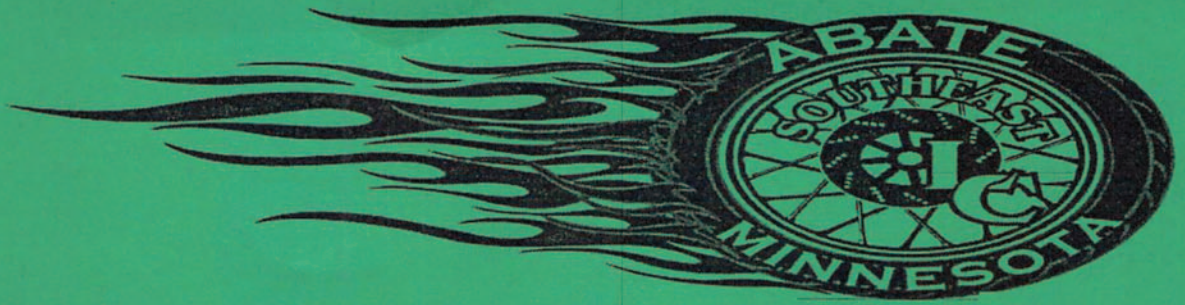
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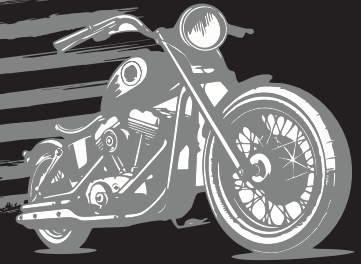


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**Gates open to the public Thursday at Noon**  
RV & Tent Camping w/ Electricity available, Bike Pulls, Games,  
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9:00pm - 1:00am The Groove

**Saturday Lineup:**

Memorial Ride Saturday leaves 10:30am Sharp

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Kevin /Nicky McCourt .....R  
 Ron/Kelly Simonson .....R  
 Leroy Norstebon /  
 Wendy Osthy .....R  
 Nick Gerulli Jr .....R  
 Lee / Jody Heato .....n R  
 Bruce Berg .....R  
 Jason Fuller /  
 Sharron Maki .....R  
 Jim Carriere .....R  
 Leigh Bauman .....R  
 Adam Cwikla .....R  
 Shannon /Denise Ostby ..R  
 Richard Mosher .....R  
 Jarod Magnusson .....R  
 Patrick /Christy Sullivan ..R  
 Janelle Rogers .....R  
 David /Amy Carlson .....R  
 Bruce Hanson .....R  
 Tony Fichter .....R  
 Chris Hamness .....R  
 Marlin Nelson .....R  
 Jeff Newton .....R  
 Melanie Sikorski .....R  
 Kendra Briesse .....R  
 Tim /Dawn Maurstad ....R  
 Skip / Deb Hietala .....R  
 Joshua /Kaylea  
 McFarlane .....R  
 John Medicraft .....N

## BUFFALO RIDGE

Bob Buysse .....R  
 Pat Hagemeyer .....R  
 Duane Stangeland .....R  
 Doug /Pamula Fey .....R

## CENTRAL

Kenny /Penny Fischer ....R  
 Brian Sundsvold /  
 Billie Jo Sundsvold .....R  
 Mike Diethelm .....R  
 Jay C Stiles .....R

## EAST CENTRAL

Scott Petersen /  
 Lori Umlauf .....R  
 Ren /Stacy Ladd .....R  
 John / Catina Sager .....R

## FLATLANDERS

Doug Adams /  
 Jennifer Turvold .....R  
 Jeff Moucha .....R  
 Bob /Sue Summer .....R  
 Robert Ellinger .....R  
 Dan Gibbons .....N  
 Trevor Carlson /  
 Kari Monterroza .....N

Jeff May /  
 Monica Fairchild .....N

## FREEDOM FIRST RIDERS

Robert Uhden .....R  
 Thomas Sperr .....R  
 Kennie "Fishhook"  
 Cauthren .....R  
 Dave / Amy Roth .....R  
 Derrik /Taryn Strickler ...R  
 Howard / Debra Kill .....R  
 Jeremy Clitty .....R  
 Justin Koehntop .....R  
 Brian / Tera Daker .....R  
 Adam /Jennifer Rinicker ..R  
 Mike Jibben .....R  
 Shawn Thomas .....R  
 Julie Johnson .....R  
 Dale Murray .....R  
 Mike Kope .....R  
 Bruce "Buzz" Nelson/  
 Barbara Sanvig .....R  
 Chane Robinson .....R  
 Jeff Castagneri .....N  
 Jim Klint .....N  
 Melisa Klint-Theissen ...N  
 Cody Anderson .....N  
 Chad Mesker .....N

## GLACIAL RIDGE

Rodney King .....R  
 Dan "Hives" Bursaw ....R  
 Darrell "Deano" Meehan .R

## HEART OF THE LAKES

Michael Bonaime .....R  
 Brandon Miller .....R  
 Timothy Merkens .....N

## JACK PINE RIDERS

Anita Ketola .....R

## LAKE

George McGown .....R  
 Jeff /Katrina Nowlan ....R  
 Dan J Sheridan Jr /  
 Stephanie .....R  
 Jennifer Kruse .....N  
 Scott "Hayseed"/Averill ..N  
 Travis Allen .....N

## METRO

Charles Fletcher .....R  
 Thomas Noyes .....R  
 Keith T Wenda /  
 Michelle M Smith .....R  
 Dean / Laurie Wyman ...R  
 Nick Dahmen /  
 Jade Strong .....R  
 Cynde Aydt .....R  
 Tim Vrieze .....R

Robert Larson .....R  
 William Nelson .....R  
 Mike Trombley .....R  
 Carol Poolo .....N  
 Tanner Seymour .....N  
 John L Weiss .....N  
 Philp Dierks .....N

## NORTHEAST

Darrell D Sam .....R

## NORTH STAR

Mike/ChereneSadek .....N

## NORTHWEST

Don /Tracy Winand .....R  
 David Hofstad .....R  
 Warrior Farder .....R

## RIVER VALLEY

Gary Graff .....R  
 Kevin /Luke Reynolds ....R  
 Becky Compant/  
 Rich Oliver .....R  
 Gerald Fredricks .....R  
 Vernon Watkins .....N  
 Robert Munoz .....N  
 David Street .....N

## ROLLING PRAIRIE

Thomas Bolster .....R  
 Ben Hirschman /  
 Cassandra .....R  
 Mike Stock .....R

## SAND DUNES

Steve Karel .....R  
 Bobby Stephens .....R  
 Dean Lewandowski .....R  
 Tim Rooney /  
 Deb Watson .....R  
 Karen Dahlquist .....R  
 Dean Salonek .....R  
 Douglas Hall .....R  
 Larry Peterson .....N

## SOUTH CENTRAL

Ernie Gassman R  
 Dave Hoffenkamp /  
 Cheryl .....R  
 Daryl /Nancy Tritabaugh .R  
 Bill /Kristy LaPlante .....R  
 Bob / Lisa Funk .....R  
 Kevin /Patricia Haugen ..R  
 Verlon Schmitz .....R  
 JT /Mary Butcher .....R  
 Miriam Ackman .....R  
 Ted Jafuert .....R  
 Patrick Ouradnik .....R  
 Tyler Moudry /  
 Caroline Popp .....R

Nicholas / Jenny Ortloff ..N  
 Dustin Lynch .....N  
 Jeremy /Tina Dumire ....N  
 David /Natasha  
 Boettcher .....N

## SOUTHEAST LC

Randy /Nancy Taylor .....R  
 Ken /Carla Wilde .....R

## SOUTHWEST

Lyle Klingenberg .....R  
 Patty Addy .....R

## STRAIGHT RIVER

Lynne Brooks .....R  
 Mike Bustad .....R  
 Patrick / Mary Duchene ..R  
 John Underwood .....R  
 Darryl Giese .....R  
 Brady Binstock .....R  
 Bob Thomas .....R  
 Curt / Terri Crandall ....R  
 Brenda Marks .....N  
 Ramiro Ramirez .....N  
 Robin Headline .....N  
 Willy Dahlke .....N

## TRI-COUNTY

Michelle Peterson .....R  
 Alex /Kelly Erickson .....R  
 Matt Haberman .....R  
 David Lehman .....R  
 John Lang .....R  
 Adam/ Heidi Johnson ...R  
 David Brandtner .....R  
 Jay Meraki .....N  
 Nicole Lightfoot .....N  
 Art Gesswein .....N  
 Logan Shafland .....N  
 Jeff Shafland .....N  
 Jason Mesheshi /  
 Angie Planz .....N  
 Stephanie Janshen .....N

## UP NORTH

Todd Doble .....R  
 Joe Savage /  
 Brittany Bertolas .....R  
 Jon Tichy .....R  
 Josh Jerome .....N  
 Tony Zakrjshhek .....N  
 James McCrehin .....N

## WAY WEST

Mitch Kells/  
 Alecia Okeson .....R  
 Kim Wilde .....N  
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