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WaCo ABATE The Greasy Rag NEWSLETTER



2010

Meetings: 2nd and 4th Monday of the month at 7:30pm
Location: Prime Time Sports Bar & Restaurant **** (503) 357-3684 ****
4202 Pacific Avenue, Forest Grove, OR 97116

Greetings My Fellow WaCos!

Well... here we are; one year ends as another begins. We have a lot of new faces on the 2010 WaCo Officer's List this year; and some familiar ones too. Check out the officers list on www.wacoabate.info to see who your officers for 2010 are.

After a 6 year absence from holding any office in our chapter I had the desire to become more involved in chapter business and accepted nomination to do the newsletter again. I carried this office in 2003 and 2004.... OK, OK... only half of 2004 before I fell off the face of the planet, fair enough. For some reason silly me got over zealous and also accepted nomination for PR Director as well. So, I return to you the WaCo ABATE Newsletter, 'The Greasy Rag' and hope that it fulfills whatever the chapter's needs are out of a Newsletter. In today's day and age I'm not sure what that is. With practically everyone having access to the Intranet at home or work... and the page we get in the state newsletter for our chapter news, we are going to avoid mailing a chapter newsletter to the majority of our members. I hope to alert our members via email when a new edition of the newsletter is available on our website and snail-mail only a few copies to those members that request delivery as such. This will make the cost of publication for 'The Greasy Rag' almost nil. The lines kind of blur when you start talking about chapter news; with a newsletter AND a web presence these days... the newsletter can feel redundant and antiquated. I want to hear from the membership on this. Perhaps the Newsletter should be more of a web blog? Or, perhaps, keep it antiquated and separate from the website? So, please, one and all, speak up. This is YOUR newsletter. What do you want and expect out of it? Let me know at one of the meetings, by emailing me at newsletter@wacoabate.info or call me at 503.502.4229.



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WaCo Birthday Party

March 6th is the day, mark your calendar if you haven't already... and you should have! The annual Washington County ABATE Birthday Party at the Elks Lodge in Hillsboro is planned and most things have already been taken care of. Check the flyer on the website for more information. We are still in need of a few things, OK, a lot of things. We need items for the balloon-pop, auction items and baskets. There will be a 'basket building' party on Feb. 27th to assemble, conjoin, mash and magic together items donated into baskets which can be then auctioned at the birthday party. For information on what may or may not be suitable as a donation (by the way, almost everything will be suitable no matter how large or small), and on the basket building party, please check with your Ways-and-Means officer, Tina Stocker.

First Sunday Ride

As riding weather begins to improve over the next few months, keep in mind the 'First Sunday Ride'. This isn't an ABATE sanctioned event... just some friends that gather to enjoy and share in their passion for the open road on two (or three) wheels. Giving it a name and a consistent and planable day will help some of us with busy schedules with planning. It's sad when you have to PLAN to go for a ride with your friends, isn't it? Hopefully as the Pacific Northwest weather changes to more accommodating patterns we'll see a lot of friends meeting at the Prime Time Sports Bar the first Sunday of every month at 10am for a ride to a local-ish destination. And if you're hungry plan on 8:30am for breakfast beforehand.

Adopt-a-Road, Road Clean-Up

I think it's been almost 7 years now since we officially adopted that chunk of Roy Rogers Rd between Scholls Ferry and Beef Bend Rds. Planning is in the works for the next road clean-up. All we know now is that the spring road clean-up will be in... well, the spring! The more hands we have on deck.. the faster it goes and the better the job gets done. Come on out and lend a hand. All supplies provided! More info to come as we get an official date on the books!

Be Safe!

I, like the rest of you, saw the sun for the first time in a long time the other day. The first thing I thought of was "I gotta get out of this car and on to my bike." But... before you do take into consideration the road conditions, the scooter's condition and the fact that drivers have not seen many bikes on the roads these last few months. Those roads can still be slick with morning fog, rain and even leaf decay. Just because the sun is out doesn't mean the roads are in great shape. Also, if your bike has been sitting for a while without having been ridden, its like lost some tire pressure. That cold air out in the garage is tire pressure hungry. Check those tires before getting on down the road. You don't want to find out too late that your front tire was at 12 lbs. When this happens you're likely to roll the front tire right off the rim when you're leaning her over in a turn extra hard to avoid a wet manhole cover... don't ask. And those cagers... they haven't seen too many two wheeled vehicles on the road since say.. September. Give yourself extra distance and watch them, because they may not be watching for you.



Washington County ABATE

INVITES YOU TO OUR



6TH ANNUAL



BIRTHDAY PARTY

WHERE: HILLSBORO ELKS

21865 NW QUATAMA RD

SAT MARCH 6TH 7:30 PM

\$6 PER PERSON OR

\$10 PER COUPLE



MUSIC PROVIDED BY:

THE MEGAN JAMES BAND



LIVE AUCTION SILENT AUCTION

POP A BALLOON - WIN A PRIZE!

50/50 DRAWING

DINNER AVAILABLE FROM 6PM TO 730PM

\$10 PER PERSON ADDITIONAL TO ADMISSION

FOR INFO CALL ROGER YARNELL 503-643-4725

DIRECTIONS: HWY 26 WEST TO CORNELIUS PASS; SOUTH TO QUATAMA
PLEASE DON'T DRINK & DRIVE; CHOOSE A DESIGNATED DRIVER

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WaCo Chapter 2010 Events

WaCo Birthday Party	March 6, 2010
Spring Road Clean-Up	Spring 2010!
Roll-n-Ride	June 13, 2010
Mid-Summer Poker Run	July 31, 2010
End of Summer Run	September 17-19, 2010
Toy Run	November 10, 2010

If you need any information on these runs or others
feel free to contact your WaCo Run Coordinator
Jim Henderson, at (503) 750-6047