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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!

What's this? A WaCo Newsletter, 'The Greasy Rag', in my mailbox? Is it my birthday or perhaps Christmas? Well, don't get too used to it...but, more on the future of 'The Greasy Rag' later.

I have a few important things to relay out to our membership. Firstly, find attached a very handy fridge magnet. Detach along the perforation and slap it on your fridge or micro or any other metal place where it will be in constant view. It lists all of the chapter events and some state level events also. The idea for these came from our very own membership secretary, Connie. Between her and WaCo member, Trace, they created these with their own supplies and donated them to the chapter. Thanks Connie and Trace!

Now, secondly... ATTEND THE EVENTS PEOPLE. Don't get me wrong, we appreciate your annual membership dues, but that's not what ABATE is about. ABATE is about people coming together and standing up for what's right....standing up for OUR rights, YOUR rights; protecting our brothers and sisters, biker or not. We definitely need a shock-n-awe turnout for the BikePAC May Awareness Rally on May 1st. This single event is probably the most important event of the year in regards to letting our legislators know that bikers are people too, and that we care about our rights. It's been stated that this will be our LAST May Awareness Rally if we don't get a strong attendance. There are other groups that are gunning for our day at the capitol; other groups that want their voices heard. In the past couple of years attendance has diminished for this event. Our legislators may be thinking we don't give a hoot about our rights and that it may be a waste of time to allot a day out of their busy schedules to host for such poorly attended event. So please, mark your calendars, May 1st, be there! Find a flyer for this event on the Washington County ABATE website (www.wacoabate.info) or the BikePAC website (www.bikepac.com).

We have lots of biker related events happening between now and the end of summer. (Great segue, Goat. Thank You!) But the one I am most excited about isn't until September! The 2010 End of Summer Run is the only campout hosted by your chapter. EOS is turning 21 and I want to see as many Washington County member's faces as possible at the party. For EOS's birthday we are celebrating on new turf. This year we will be at the lovely Columbia County Fairgrounds in St. Helens, Oregon. With an indoor stage and covered entertainment, more vendors than you can shake a stick at and at least 3 bands to get your boots movin'... it's sure to be the best EOS yet. Look for more information later!

Washington County Chapter has a few things going on before that though. Be sure to keep this magnet handy and mark the dates on whatever calendar you use frequently. The Roll-N-Ride is a day ride just around the corner, in June. Be sure to come out and join us for a nice putt on your scooter and perhaps you could be a lucky winner of some early summer cash.

See ya in the wind...



****IMPORTANT**IMPORTANT**IMPORTANT****

If you want to do your part in saving money for the chapter read your chapter news online at:

www.WaCoABATE.INFO

Or you can choose to receive it via snail-mail by contacting Goat at:

Newsletter@WaCoABATE.info or 503.502.4229

Please include your
*Name, Phone Number,
and Mailing Address*



Have an expired ABATE membership?

We miss you! Come back! We're reaching out to as many expired Washington County Chapter members as we can. Renewing is easy. Simply contact your WaCo Membership Secretary, Connie, and ask for more information! Not only will your membership dues help support ABATE, but you'll also get discounts on entrance to most ABATE sanctioned events. There are many benefits to being an ABATE member...most of all I personally like the feeling of having a positive influence on my freedoms and rights. Connie can be reached at 503.431.0897.

Riding Season is Upon Us

As the sun starts hanging in the sky a bit longer each day and the road calls your name... As you are enticed by colorful flyers to destinations and events over yonder horizon... don't forget to check your scooter for proper tire pressure, top off your fluids, check your signal bulbs and other easily overlooked safety items. A few minutes in the garage before heading out could avoid disaster on the road. While you're at it, how's that helmet look? Are your leathers and boots in good condition? How about your skills? Snuck that one in on ya. While you're checking over your bike and gear, updating, refreshing and replenishing as needed, don't overlook the rust that could be forming on your skills. No offense intended but, we all form habits while riding; not always good ones. We all have our own riding 'style' and 'preferences'. Could you use a refresher course from trained professionals? Team Oregon offers classes to experienced riders as refresher courses. Although I have heard many experienced riders say they learned NEW things while on the course with a Team Oregon instructor for one of their refresher courses. Team Oregon is a nationally recognized leader in motorcycle

rider training and skill development. We have some of the best training right here in Oregon, so take advantage of what they have to offer. Visit Team Oregon at www.teamoregon.orst.edu or 800.545.9944. Some, if not all, of the class fees are refundable with your membership to ABATE of Oregon.

ABATE of Oregon

Two of the biggest fundraisers for ABATE of Oregon at the state level are at our doors; The Spring Swap Meet on April 25th at the Portland Armory and the Fossil Campout in Fossil Oregon, May 28th thru 31st. Be sure to attend and support ABATE. Not only are these important fundraisers but they are great events for meeting new friends and reuniting with old ones. And who knows, maybe you'll even have fun too! Mark your calendars and plan to attend. See ya there!

The Greasy Rag Newsletter

This may, or may not be, the only mass mailing we do of the Washington County Chapter Newsletter, The Greasy Rag, for 2010. Printing and postage cost precious dollars that can be used for other purposes. Our chapter secretary submits an informational report that goes out in the ABATE State Newsletter monthly and we have way more homes with Internet access than we used to. Make sure to read Margo's entry in the state newsletter and check out our chapter website for more information. A monthly newsletter will be available in PDF format on our website, www.wacoabate.info. If you don't have consistent and reliable internet access, please contact me and I'll make sure you get a paper copy mailed to you as new editions of the Greasy Rag are published. I can be reached by phone at 503.502.4229. Leave me a message with your name, phone number and what address you'd like to receive your newsletter at.



Invites you to join in celebrating
OREGON MOTORCYCLE AWARENESS MONTH
At the 24th Annual
MAY AWARENESS RALLY

A gathering of
Motorcyclists for Motorcyclists
The public is openly invited to attend this FREE EVENT!

At the front steps of the
Oregon State Capital Building

MAY 1, 2010

Conducted in the interest of Public Safety

~ Featuring ~

Public Officials scheduled to speak beginning at noon about issues specifically pertaining to Motorcycles and Motorcyclists

Live Music & Mel's Bike Show

FUN bike show with gag prizes. \$2 entry fee goes towards BikePAC general fund.

Secret categories to be announced just prior to judging.

Bike show begins at 10am.

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Cash Prizes
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High Roller

Washington County Chapter
*** JUNE 13TH, 2010 ***

~~~~~ One Hand: \$10 ~~~~~ Two Hands: \$15 ~~~~~

**Sign In:**  
10am

**Beaverton**

**Picnic Lunch**

**Honda Yamaha**

(provided at ending location)  
\$\$ - Donations appreciated - \$\$

**Depart:**  
11am

10380 Cascade Blvd  
Tigard, OR

~~~~~ Door Prizes ~~~~~ Cash Prizes ~~~~~ 50/50 Drawing ~~~~~



Need More Info?
Washington County Chapter - Run Coordinator
Jim Henderson (503) 750-6047
www.WaCoABATE.info



A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc. promotes motorcycle awareness, education, safety and liberty through community involvement and legislative action.
This event is sanctioned by A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.
Proceeds from this event benefit motorcycle rights and education.
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A.B.A.T.E. of OREGON, Inc.

SWAP MEET

Sunday, April 25, 2010

Portland Armory

10000 NE 33rd Dr.

Doors Open 8:30 am—4:00 pm

Door prizes and drawings throughout the day

\$5 members/\$8 non-members

All types of motorcycles welcome

Whether you are building a new ride or modifying the old favorite, something for everyone. Buy, Sell, Trade

For information: swapmeet@abateoforegon.net or 503-475-8765

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All proceeds go to promote the mission statement of raising Motorcycle Awareness through Education and Legislative action. A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc. is a not-for-profit organization supporting motorcycle rights and education. Contributions or gifts to A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc. are not tax deductible contributions for federal income tax purposes.

Mark your calendars for 2010

“Papa’s Toys”

10TH ANNUAL OPEN HOUSE!
Saturday, May 8th 10:00AM-3:00PM



**Street Rods, Classics and
Custom Car Collection**

OVER 165 VEHICLES ON DISPLAY
495 N. Holladay Street, Cornelius, OR.97113
Drive your “Toy” and show it off too.

Admission will be cash/check donations to
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PapasToysCarCollection.com

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(Holladay runs between 4th and 10th in Cornelius North of TV Hwy and Railroad tracks. Additional directions on web site.)

From Portland take HWY 26 to exit 57 then south to Cornelius)

Food Available. Pets not allowed in building.

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Cornelius, OR 97113

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2010 Notable Events

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| ABATE Swap Meet | April 25 th |
| BikePAC May Awareness | May 1 st |
| Spring Road Clean-Up | June 6 th |
| Roll-n-Ride | June 13 th |
| Mid-Summer Poker Run | July 31 st |
| End of Summer Run | September 17 th -19 th |
| Toy Run | November 10 th |

If you need any information on these runs or others
feel free to contact your WaCo Run Coordinator