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**S.E. Chapter Abate of Florida, Inc.**
President's Message
Jimbo Sherrow

In a recent press release, AIM/NCOM reported that while most states across the country have had increases in motorcycle accidents and fatalities over the past couple of years, the state of Texas has bucked this tragic trend by reporting a significant decrease in the total number of motorcycle rider deaths. According to the article, this positive development has been due mainly to the safety and awareness programs initiated by Texas motorcyclists working with the Texas Department of Transportation. Like Florida, Texas has year round riding weather and one of the highest numbers of registered motorcycles in the country. They also repealed their mandatory helmet law in 1997, three years before ABATE managed to do the same here in Florida.

The reason I mention this is because I am sick and tired of hearing the anti-biker crowd talk about how freedom of choice in Florida has resulted in more bikers dying on our roads, and you can bet we will hear more of their misinformed views during upcoming the 2010 legislative session. Some of these critics openly question our intelligence and others even mock us a great source of organ donations because they cannot understand the reasons we would want to exercise freedom of choice. Although it is easy to get angry at some of idiots who make these statements, the best way to win this or any debate is to cut through the emotions and look at the cold hard facts.

As usual, the reality is different than the hype. If you look at the most accurate ways to measure the number of motorcycle accidents – which is accidents per 100,000 miles ridden or accidents per 100,000 registered motorcyclists – the reality is that despite having freedom of choice for almost ten years now, helmetless bikers have not caused any significant increase in motorcycle accidents in Florida. In addition, through ABATE’s motorcycle safety and awareness program, tens of thousands of Florida drivers and high school students have received training on how to share the roads with bikers in a safe manner. In the years following the modification of the helmet law, ABATE also worked with the State of Florida to make it mandatory for all motorcyclists to take a safety course before they receive their endorsement.

Although many people call us stupid for even suggesting that there should be freedom of choice, most of them have no idea that ABATE has spent far more time, effort and money on safety and awareness programs than we ever have on the helmet law issue. The reason we do this is because we are equally committed to making the roads safer for all vehicles while reducing the number of motorcycle accidents and deaths on Florida’s highways, and unlike others, we back our words with deeds by spending our own time and money on the cause. Instead of taking the time to learn about what ABATE does and having an informed discussion about the issues, our critics would rather demonize us because we choose a lifestyle that is different from theirs, and they ignore the fact that four
wheeled vehicles and their distracted drivers cause far more motorcycle accidents than bikers do, either with or without helmets.

Texas is still a few years ahead of us with their safety programs, but I am hopeful that through the continued efforts of ABATE, we will see similar sustained decreases in motorcycle accidents and deaths here in Florida over the next few years. If you want to be part of the solution, the Southeast Chapter is always looking for volunteers and new instructors to help with our safety and awareness program. You can learn more and get involved by contacting our Chapter Safety Director, George Bograkos, at 954-868-2990, or safetyabatese@gmail.com. With your help, we can hopefully join Texas and show our critics once and for all that the best way to reduce motorcycle accidents is to promote safety and awareness, and not by simply forcing a helmet on someone’s head and then congratulating yourself for saving the stupid bikers from themselves.

If you cannot make the commitment to become a motorcycle safety instructor, you can still help the Southeast Chapter by coming out to support us at our Annual Rights Rally. This year’s event will be held on Sunday, October 25th at Wetz Pub on Oakland Park Boulevard, just west of University. We had a great party there in January so we are looking forward to some great food, excellent music and a good time for all. There will be more information in our October newsletter and we will have flyers out real soon, but if you need any information about the event or if you would like to be a vendor, contact myself or the SE Chapter Events Coordinator, Shaky Bob, at 954-437-3642, or eventsabatese@gmail.com. We will also have voter’s registration forms available, so if you are not yet registered for the 2010 elections, you can do it at the event and be ahead of the game. This is always one of the best parties of the year, and since we are not having it the day after the Wheels of Man MC Halloween party this year – which is another great event – there should be no hangover to prevent you from coming to the Rights Rally and supporting the SE Chapter, just like we have supported and fought for your rights for almost 30 years now!

Remember, ABATE is for everyone, no matter what you ride, and you do not even have to own a motorcycle to become a Chapter member. For more information, check out the Chapter newsletter and the website, www.abatese.org, or stop by one of our monthly meetings and get involved. There is no better time than now to step up and protect your rights as member of the motorcycle community. You call also call me at 954-305-1599.

Ride safe and free, and remember that the price of liberty is eternal vigilance!

Jimbo
President
ABATE SE Chapter
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ABATE of Florida, Southeast Chapter  
Meeting Minutes  
Sept. 20, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 10:14am by Sgt @ Arms BARS with 49 members, No At-Large members or guests in attendance. Total membership in attendance: 49. Followed by the Pledge of Alliance & a moment of silence, the meeting started.

President’s Report
Jimbo thanked all our members for coming and introduced our new members Jim, Al and Gene. Last month we attended the following events: Wheels of Man, Stated MC and the Outcast party. Everyone who attended had a great time. On a sad note the original founder of the States MC, Fat Daddy and the original founder of Wheels of Man MC, Wes Moody passed away. Please keep them and their families in your thoughts and prayers. Our event is coming up on Oct. 25, 2009. It will be held at Wetz’s Pub on Oakland Park Blvd in Sunrise. We only do 3 events per year to raise funds for our chapter so please come on out to help.

Vice-President’s Report
Old Hippy reported we have been having a lot of rain lately, please be careful out there. Your help is needed for our event in the loading of the trailer, set up, tear down etc. As Jimbo stated we only have 3 events per year to raise funds for our chapter so please come on out to help.

Secretary’s Report
A correction was made to the minutes of the August meeting. Bill “Squeaky” Ball was incorrectly shown as a returning Life Member. Squeaky has returned as a yearly member. With this correction a motion was made to accept the minutes of August’s meeting as printed in the newsletter. Motion seconded, all in favor, motion passed.

Treasurer’s Report
Alice read Augusts’ report. A motion was made, seconded to accept the Treasurer’s report. All in favor, motion passed. Alice reported our CD will automatically renew on 9-27-09. A motion was made, seconded to cash in our CD, place in a savings account which will give us liquidity if we need it and look at options for discussion at next month’s meeting. Discussion followed. Vote called for, all in favor, none opposed, motion passed. Reminder: We have drawing tickets for sale for the bike week Harley giveaway.

Sergeant at Arms Report
BARS reported he has noticed the overhead signs on I-95 say “Watch for Motorcycles”. It is nice to see the State of Florida is promoting safety down here. Jimbo, George Torrence and BARS re-painted the poles in the warehouse and we received the new tent canopy. We will need help loading and unloading the trailer for our event. This will take less than 1 hour of your time. Information will be on the hot-line.

Road Captain’s Report
Chris reported right after today’s meeting we will be headed to Fern’s house for a BBQ. All are welcome. 9/26/09 – Chapter Monthly Birthday Party at Texas Rose in Davie. Meeting there between 730 and 800pm 9/27/09 – Southern MC Teddy Bear Run. Please check the hotline for meeting place and time... 10/4/09 – Mystic Seven Annual Event. Please check the hotline for meeting place and time. 10/4/09- The ABATE Fill-Ins will be playing at Flossie’s. Check the hotline for time. 10/9 to 10/11/09- Spooks and Scoots State Meeting. Please check the hotline for meeting place and time. 10/109 – AOA Treasure Coast. Please check the hotline for meeting place and time. The hotline is updated no later than 700pm every Tuesday for the week’s announcements and updated as needed for last minute information and changes. If you have any questions, please call him at 954-512-9951, or e-mail at: brennanelectricsvc@bellsouth.net Please check the hotline for updates. 943-310-4636.
Safety Director’s Report
Geo was not present. Suzanne reported we had a great turnout and showing at the Marlins Moto Madness & at the Roundup. Thank you all. If you are interested in becoming a MSAP instructor, please contact Geo.

State Rep’s Report
Chris reported there was no state meeting. Next month’s state meeting is Spools and Scoots at the Senoma Youth Ranch in Hillsboro County. This is one of the best events of the year and you do not want to miss it. The new By-Law committee is moving right along. If you have any suggestions or comments please e-mail him at: Bylawsuggestions@abate.com.

Product’s Report
Susan reported she is still working on getting a different woman’s tank top. She will keep us posted on her progress. If you need anything, don’t wait until the chapter meeting, just give her a call. Her number is in the newsletter. Val reported there are new shirts available from the state. They are bright and you can be seen.

Membership Report
George reported we now have 611 members. Our newest Life Member is Chris Little. If you know of anyone on the list in the newsletter who has not renewed, please get them to renew. Reminder: when filling out the application form, please write or print legibly.

Newsletter Editor
Suzanne thanked all the members who gave contributions to this month’s newsletter. If you have any articles of interest please get them to her no later than Thursday 9/24/09. Please patronize our advertisers and let them know you saw their ad in our newsletter. The classified section of the newsletter is free to our members. If you have anything you want to sell, please give her the information.

Legislative Report
Old Hippy reported we are tracking the following bills: HB21 – Firearm Regulations, HB41 Use of electronic wireless, HB71 Decrease of fees, and HB2051 Right to Repair Law. Also the Federal Highway Trust Fund which gets 18.5 cents of each gallon of gas you use is running short of funds. Almost 3 billion dollars short. There will be looking into new ways to cover this short fall. We are also contacting local legislators to speak at our event.

Public Relations
Marjorie was not present. Jimbo reported all our members are Public Relations especially when wearing anything that says ABATE on it. Whenever we are at a clubhouse or event, or just out and about, please act responsible.

Legal Council
Chris reported Parkland just passes a no texting while driving law. Look for more on this from other cities and also on the Federal level.

Advertising
Hope was not present. Suzanne reported we need advertisers. No matter where you ask them to take out an ad. Business card ads are very reasonable and the best bang for the buck. We have a distribution over 1600 copies per month. A great job has been done by all in the distribution of our newsletter. With the newsletter on our web-site and to save a few bucks, if you do not want the newsletter mailed to your home, please e-mail our Membership trustee George Torrence and he will remove you off the mailing list. If you still want the newsletter, you can always stop at any of the businesses where we drop them off at.

Events Coordinator
Shaky Bob reported we are just about ready to go for our event which will be at Wetz Pub on October 25, 2009. We will need everyone’s help to make this event a huge success. We also need door prizes, if you’re out and about at your favorite establishment just ask for one. Next committee meeting will be Monday Sept. 28, 2009, 7:00 pm right here at the American Legion.

Social Director’s Report
Karin reported this month’s party will be next Saturday 9/26/09 at Texas Rose starting around 7:30 pm. Please come out and celebrate with those whose birthday’s fall in September. Our October birthday party will be at “Luke’s”
on 10/10/09. Since we will celebrate Royce’s birthday in October, there will be free food at “Luke’s”. Remember: “It’s on the way home” Check the hotline for updated information. As always, if you want your birthday recognized, please contact her.

Quartermaster’s Report
Bob Anz reported there was no report but will be meeting with BARS to do an inventory of the warehouse.

Photographer’s Report
Axman was not present. Big Wheel asked why we do not have our pictures on our web-site. Our web-site links to Axman’s and if you want a photo, you have to pay for it. Discussion. If you want any photos on our web-site, please submit them to our web-master with details and who took the picture. Please use a little common sense when taking pictures.

Web-Master’s Report
Ricky Mouse was not present. Jimbo reported web is up and running. Please provide Ricky with any feedback and suggestions. Please send him any legal updates so he can post them. Web address is: www.abatese.org

Trash master’s Report
Trash pick up is scheduled for next Saturday 9/26/09. We will meet at the VFW on Griffin Rd at 800am. Breakfast will be available. Please come on out as many hands make for little work. Due to construction we will probably not do the west end of our area.

Old Business
Tabled from previous meeting was discussing 50/50 drawings at our monthly birthday parties tabled until legal information is received by our legal council. We have received word that as long as the establishment where we are having the birthday party allows us to do so. A motion was made, seconded to have 50/50 drawings at our birthday party’s pending establishment approval. Discussion. Vote called for:

All in favor: 2, Opposed: 28, Abstain: 3, motion defeated.

New Business
None

Good of the order
Marti reported the Legion Riders are making a come back. In order to be a member, you must be a member of the post, Ladies Auxiliary or have a parent who served and are a SAL (Sons of the Legion). There will be an organizational meeting this Tuesday 9/22/09 at 700pm. The ABATE Fill-Ins will be playing at Flossie’s on 10/4/09. Please come on out to enjoy and support our own. On 11/7/09 there will be a Veterans Day Memorial Event at Flossie’s; Information will be on the hot line.

A motion was called for and seconded to adjourn, all is favor, motion passed.
Meeting adjourned at 11:38am

These minutes are summarized and respectfully submitted

Paul A. Melcer
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It took awhile and a lot of effort, but we have finally have been able to make a deal to have our Freedom Rights event at WETZ PUB. There were a few snags in other locations, but in the end they got it done and they all need to be thanked for their patience and perseverance. But it’s not over yet.

“Patience and perseverance have a magical effect before which difficulties disappear and obstacles vanish.”

John Quincy Adams

We are a volunteer organization and with that said, this event is going to encompass a large amount of personal time to make this happen, not counting making it successful. We can use all the help we can get to bring this off before and during the event, so don’t be afraid to reach out to one of the Members of the Board or the event committee and volunteer in any capacity then you can.

It also takes the support of advertisers, vendors at the event and other business that help us by donations. This can come in forms of gift cards, merchandise, discounts and event donations of food, like AYESTERAN REST. on 7th and SW 27 in Miami did, when they gave use beans and rice to have on the food menu at our last event. All this is helpful and goes for a good cause.

Fall has finally arrived and with that comes tons of events. The one that you should try to make is “Spooks and Scoots” State Meeting that Our Hillsboro chapter puts on every year. It has a Halloween theme and they do a jam up job putting it on, with a memorial presentation for lost riders that include a Hearst, a coffin and all sorts of people in costumes.

That’s it for now and hopes to see ya at some of the many things going on.

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Hello my fellow Americans and members of SE Chapter Florida’s Motorcycle Rights organization, ABATE.

This is the year that we are expecting a past ugly infringement of our “Freedom to Choose” to rear its unwelcome head again, namely the helmet law! After the backlash with mandatory the seat belt law that came in effect making it a primary offence, the cagers are making some sort of retaliatory statement for their lose of freedom of choice, such as “why do I have to buckle up” when the riders of Motorcycles don’t have to wear a helmet? And guess who is taking notice. Bottom line is …….They let it happen! This is the same thing that can happen to us if we do not nip this in the bud by being involved.

I was going over the report that ABATE of Florida puts out showing how many members that each chapter has and the percentage on members that are voters. I find this rather interesting by the diversity of the numbers that are recorded. As of June’s report which included,”At Large” members showed anywhere from the low of 59% for Sumter and Duval Chapters to 100% for Nature Coast Chapter.

We at Southeast have only 73% of our members that state they are voters and if you take that in consideration it translate to around150 members that have no say, no voice in decisions that can and will be made that will have an effect on our freedom and how we live our lives.

“Bad officials are elected by good citizens who do not vote.”
- George Jean Nathan

The reason we ask if you are a register voter is because numbers count! When we deal with our policy makers we can say we have so many constitutes in your area that are interested in things that will affect them, they have a tendency to listen! I’m asking you to please review with our membership committee to make sure you are listed and also if you can get a voter registration card, get one, every vote counts!

If you have any question on how to find out who your law makers are, or on registering, please call me or E-Mail me at oldhippybob@yahoo.com

Money and a short of is all you hear. People out of work, property value going down causing the revenue the government gets to be less and making it harder for them to budget the bottom line. It is a trickle down effect for most of us, The administration for years has been pushing us to be more energy conservative in almost everything we do and especially with in comes to our gas guzzling cars. The feds get 18.5 cents a gallon as a fuel tax which funds the current Highway Trust Fund (HTF), think of it as a user fee. The money that this tax has generated has gone up each and every year because we have bought more gas which in turn has but more money into the HTF each year. Well, we did last summer what they have been preaching to us and did the unthinkable, bought less gas. It was
brought on by high gas prices, people out of work and the pretty little hybrids that have ultra high MPG’s. Less gas bought, means less taxes was paid and in of course means less money for the fund that is now broke from it. In fact the fund is so broke that congress is had to infuse $7 billion to keep the necessary funds to the state.

The current bill (PL109 59) is set to expirer at the end of September and has spent $256 billion in the last 4 years. The proposals on the table this time are suggesting that we need $550 billion to cover the next 6 years.

Let’s see, if no additional tax is put on fuel we can safely say the current income from the tax would be around $250 billion over the next 6 years. That’s translate to around $300 billion in revenue that needs to somehow appear from somewhere. (Remember the gizmo that records miles driven that I mention in my past post)

With the current administration efforts on healthcare, cap and trade legislation, plus all the bail out money that has been spent, coupled with fear of losing popularity, MRF has determined that they what to punt the half trillion bill past the 2010 elections.

There an 18 month extension that came out of a committee under the leadership of Barbara Boxer (D-CA) to the current law. I guess Obama and her agree that a year and a half of wait time is ok for the repairs of the crumbling bridges or bring up our aged and out dated roads. It has been stated that America transportation infrastructure, manly our roads helped earned the top spot amongst global supper power countries. This may or not may not be fact, but consider this: Afghanistan has only one paved road!

Simple put, Congress needs to get off there ass and do something fast. 18 months is not good enough, maybe 6 months is more reasonable. The last bill needed 12 extensions and took over a year and a half over the expiration date of the previous law, so don’t look for any thing to happen for awhile. Government’s view of the economy could be summed up in a few short phrases: If it moves, tax it. If it keeps moving, regulate it. And if it stops moving, subsidize it.

- Ronald Reagan

I’m out of time. Government still sucks and I need a beer.

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Birthday Greetings - If you want to be recognized in the Newsletter Birthday greetings contact Karin with your information.

I’m writing this before the September Birthday Party @ the Texas Rose Saloon and will update everyone in the next newsletter. I hope every one of you had a great time. Thanks to Rob and the staff for the cake, music and service.

The Birthday Party for Oct. 2009 will be at Luke’s on Oct 10th, the band is “Hat Trick”.
The cake will be provided by Kathleen and Royce, there will also be free food, which is an added pleasure since it happens to be Royce’s Birthday too. We’ll meet at the same time as always between 7-8pm and for directions listen to the hotline please.
I hope to see everybody there and have a wonderful Birthday to everyone below!

Bob Anz
Kate Hermann “Opal”
John “Key”
Gordan (Skip) Holley “Bandit”
Alfredo Acevedo “Newcomer”
Charissa Meuerle
Sonni Joyner “Thumper”
Harry Ness
Vicky Woynar “Spin Girl “
Linda Sadoff “Boots”
John “Lefty”
Royce Taylor
Brett
Barry Reaves

Remember if you name is not included please contact me. The e-mail on our web site is down so please send info to karin.rylands@att.net or call 954-430-0487
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Live Music, Food, Raffles

4PM SAT. OCTOBER 24th
WOTR'S 10TH ANNIVERSARY PARTY!!!
Free Food - Door prizes - Giveaways
See Color Flyer Page 3

FRIDAY OCT 30, HALLOWEEN PARTY
Food, Raffles, Costume Contest!
Prizes for Scariest and Sexiest!!!
Live Music by "Hat Trick"

Friday Nov. 20 7pm-? Grand Opening of Mr. Ed's
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**Tues:** Fresh Bike Nite  
**Wed/Sat/Sun:** Texas Rose  
**Thu:** Cafe 27, Toad  
**Sat:** Anytime: Blue Jays, Lukes

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SAFETY DIRECTOR’S REPORT
“Geo” Bograkos

This month, I’d like to use this space to discuss a topic of great importance: New riders.

We were all new riders at one time. Remember the excitement of your first few rides? Here are a few key points:

**Riding with others is great fun:** Having new or beginning riders join our group or your club is also fun. Sharing the joy of the open road is one of the best things that makes us a community of bikers. Let’s give some thought and consideration to that new rider….how can we best help them have a comfortable, fun, and SAFE time while they get used to riding with the group?

**What does the new rider need?:** Well, if they managed to get to the start point of the ride, they have at least some basic skills. What they need is group riding practice and experience in the company of experienced riders with plenty of space and without pressure.

If they need more work on the basics, you can encourage them to take a Basic or Advanced MTII Course, which I highly recommend. Their website is: [http://www.mtii.com/](http://www.mtii.com/)

**Ride your own ride:** We’ve all heard this and most of us have said this. But what does it mean when we are with a new rider? Never push them to “keep up” because as soon as a rider is pushing beyond their comfort level their physical skills become less smooth and mental attention is diverted away from what’s going on around them. The stress of wanting to keep up with the rest of the group takes over and judgment suffers. The peer pressure can be very strong. Consider what happens if and when they fall behind and they have been encouraged to keep up. Not only do they have to ride as fast and hard as the rest of the group, but if they are behind, they actually have to ride faster and harder than the group in order to catch up. This is a recipe for disaster.

**Plan the ride:** Here is how to create a successful, fun and more importantly, SAFE experience for everyone. With newer riders, plan shorter rides with frequent stops. Check with them frequently as to how are they feeling, is their bike running OK, are they comfortable, do they need to clean their glasses windshield or helmet visor, are they getting tired, hungry or thirsty, etc. Please don’t make it an endurance contest or some kind of grueling “right of passage” for them.

**Be a mentor:** I am sure that each and every one of you experienced riders remembers that one person who was your biggest influence, who mentored you, who taught you about riding. I know who mine was all those years ago and I will never forget him and what he did for me. I will always respect him.

These new riders are looking to all of us who are experienced riders, for the same guidance, mentoring and feedback. Help them to be successful. Remember, they are looking UP to you, so don’t let them DOWN.

Our new MSAP program is almost ready to roll out. We will be, once again, contributing to the Drivers Ed programs in Broward County as well as homeowners associations, membership groups, etc. Anyone who drives cars can benefit from seeing this presentation and seeing it just might save a life. If you are a member of any such organization, please see if this presentation would be welcomed by and appropriate for your group and let us know.

If you are interested in becoming a certified MSAP Instructor, please call, email or see me at a meeting or event. My contact information is on the inside front cover of this newsletter.

Meanwhile, please ride safe. We still need you.

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SEPTEMBER
12 - Outcast MC Party
13 - States Pompano MC 16th Key West Tuneup Party
18-20 - Phil Peterson’s 37th Annual Key West Poker Run
27 - Southern MC Teddy Bear Run & Party

OCTOBER
4 – Mystic Seven MC Annual
11 - AOA MC Treasure Coast Party
15-18 - Daytona Biketoberfest
18 - Keltics MC Miami Party
24 - WOTR 10th Anniversary Party at Mickey’s
25 - SE ABATE 29th Annual Motorcyclists Rights Rally
31 - Wheels of Man MC 36th Annual Halloween Party

NOVEMBER
*1 - Alternative Ft. Laud MC Annual
8 - USSIV MC National 22nd Annual
16 - Soldiers for Jesus MC West Palm Beach Party
15 - Wings of Gold MC Palm Beach Party
22 - CMA Memorial Event
22 - Heaven Cycles 32nd Anniversary Party

DECEMBER
6 - 22nd Annual SFPC Christmas Toys in the Sun Run
12 - Drawing for the Toy Run bike at H-D of Miami
13 - ABATE West Palm Beach Party
19 - SFLOCOC Christmas Dinner Party
20 - Calvary Chapel 10th Annual Christmas Service

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Abate of Florida, Inc.
Abate of Florida is currently tracking these proposed bills:

HM 19  Limiting the scope and exercise of Federal power. (Urges Congress to honor provisions of U. S. Constitution & U. S. Supreme Court case law which limit scope & exercise of federal power.)

HB 21    Regulation of firearms (Creates Florida Firearms Freedom Act; provides legislative findings & definitions; provides that specified firearms, firearm accessories, & ammunition for personal use manufactured in state are not subject to federal law or regulation; provides that importation into state of specified parts & incorporation of such parts into firearm, firearm accessory, or ammunition manufactured in state does not subject firearm, firearm accessory, or ammunition to federal regulation; provides that certain basic materials are not subject to federal regulation of firearms, firearm accessories, or ammunition under interstate commerce; provides that specified firearm accessories imported into state from another state do not subject firearm to federal regulation under interstate commerce; provides legislative findings with respect thereto; provides exceptions; provides applicability; requires that firearms manufactured & sold in state must bear indicia of manufacture by specified date.)

HJR 37  Healthcare services (Proposes creation of s. 28, Art. X of State Constitution to prohibit laws or rules from compelling any person, employer, or health care provider to participate in any health care system; permit person or employer to purchase lawful health care services directly from health care provider; permit health care provider to accept direct payment from person or employer for lawful health care services; exempt persons, employers, & health care providers from penalties & fines for paying or accepting direct payment for lawful health care services; permit purchase or sale of health insurance in private health care systems; & specifies what amendment does not affect or prohibit.)

HB 41  Use of an electronic wireless comm. device while driving. (Prohibits operation of moving motor vehicle while reading, manually writing or typing, or sending message on electronic wireless communications device; provides exceptions & penalties.)

HB 71  Dept of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles. (Decreases fees & charges for reinstatement of driver license, certificates of title, registration of motor vehicle, license plates, validation decals, & mobile home stickers, initial registration application for certain vehicles, driver’s license examinations, services & documents, driver’s licenses, return of license suspended, & DUI program enrollment; removes fee & service charge for publication & delivery of notice given by certain licensed dealers, lists of motor vehicle & vessel records, & hearing on or review of certain actions; decreases annual license taxes for operation of certain vehicles.)

HB 97  Street Racing  (Creates “Luis Rivera Ortega Street Racing Act”; revises Penalties for violating provisions prohibiting certain speed competitions & exhibitions.)

HB 99 - Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles  (Decreases fees & charges for reinstatement of driver license, certificates of title, registration of motor vehicle, license plates, validation decals, & mobile Will Rogers
home stickers, initial registration application for certain vehicles, driver’s license examinations, services & documents, driver’s licenses, return of license suspended, & DUI program enrollment; removes fee & service charge for publication & delivery of notice given by certain licensed dealers, lists of motor vehicle & vessel records, & hearing on or review of certain actions; decreases annual license taxes for operation of certain vehicles.

I was asked about the Gun Bill is a little more on it with the link:


I found this paragraph to be one of many that had interesting wording.

(d) The Second Amendment to the United States Constitution reserves to the people the right to keep and bear arms as that right was understood at the time that Florida was admitted to statehood in 1845. The guaranty of that right is a matter of contract between the State of Florida and its citizens and the United States as of the time that the compact with the United States was agreed upon and adopted by Florida and the United States in 1845.

On the nation level MRF is looking at
Right to repair Act HR 2057.
It has been reintroduce again this year and would make it illegal for vehicle manufactures to withhold information necessary to diagnose service or repair motor vehicles.
We need to support this to keep our local shops open

Senate Bill 1248
A tit for tat bill that wills inclusion of Motorcycles into the cash for clunkers program, (CARS) only difference is that it is proposed to last till 2011. This manly brought on by the sponsors of the bill who happen to be in states where lay offs at motorcycle plants have caused a hardship in the communities.
There are things happing all the time with the up coming State session and I will try to keep you up to date.

“This country has come to feel the same when Congress is in session as when the baby gets hold of a hammer.”
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ROAD CAPTAIN

October is finally here! Dry cooler weather is once again in sight now that the autumn season has again arrived. This past summer was hot, wet and wild with lots of activities for us all to take part in and enjoy. In the not to distant horizon comes the long awaited holiday season and once again as in all years past the eyes of all children will twinkle in anticipation for what awaits them when that special holiday hits. And its also the season that earns all bikers a special respect that is well deserved and deeply appreciated by not only the charities we all respectably contribute to but also that suspicious general public. Its this general public that at most times fear or disrespect the biker and its community, there colors and or etc. Remember its is also the period for favorable media attention to all the local MC Clubs and MC Organizations through out South Florida. During this special season I ask all to please be courteous and friendly to all on the roadways these days. When the opportunity presents itself to you at a stop light look for curious little eyes sitting in the back seat of there cage staring at you, give them a thumbs up or a peace sign, trust me they will remember the kind gesture for the rest of there lives. I also believe it will lead to an overall motorcycle roadway respect when they “our future” join us all too soon sitting in the drivers seat of there own cage. Say hello, ride safe and see you out there on the road!

Chris

Chris has a new cell number: 954-512-9951 and his e-mail address: brennanelectricsvc@bellsouth.net
As always, check the hotline for updates. 943-310-4636.
WEEKLY SPECIALS

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TUESDAY——— 6.00 DOM PITCHERS
WEDNESDAY——— 2.00 DOM DRAFTS AND JAM NITE- OPEN MIC.
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Thanks go the eleven chapter members of ABATE SE (*the 2 percenters of total membership) who showed up on Saturday, Sep 26 and walked for two hours in the sprinkling liquid sunshine along both sides of Griffin Road from 441 to Davie Road. The ABATE SE members collected over 225 lbs of rubbish thrown out of cars traveling along this portion of Griffin Road.

Our appreciation also goes to VFW 9697 Post Commander Stu McLees who, once again opened the post doors early Saturday morning to ABATE to serve us much needed eye-opening coffee and belly filling Sausage Egg McMuffins!

LET’S get motivated and have more members next time to participate in collecting rubbish on our portion of Griffin Road again in Mid January. Bring your family and friends too!

My best to all!

Louie “Commander” Subirats.

305-297-1651 or trashmasterabatese@gmail.com
ORANGE ENACTS MANDATORY TRAINING FOR NEW MOTORCYCLISTS

Oregon has become the third state to pass a law requiring all new motorcyclists regardless of age to pass a rigorous training course, in hopes of reducing accidents and fatalities. Current law requires such course completion for prospective riders under age 21.

The new law, Senate Bill 546, passed by the state legislature this year will phase in the requirement for all first-time bikers over the next six years. Lawmakers also voted to double the fine for riders caught without the proper license, increasing the penalty to $720 starting in January.

Team Oregon trained about ten-thousand riders last year, and the majority of them were older than 21. More than 4,400 people bypassed the class in favor of a free skills test at the DMV, but soon all first-time riders will have to shell out about $150 to take the Team Oregon course, which is administered by Oregon State University.

Executive Director of BikePAC says he’s been riding for 35 years and he thinks the new requirement will save lives: “A trained rider is a safe rider. And we’re trying to cut down the deaths, especially the unnecessary deaths of people that are making stupid mistakes because they don’t know what to do.”

A similar mandatory training bill was recently passed in North Carolina, but was amended to require rider education courses only for those under 18. Senate Bill 64, which also limits learners permits to 12 months with one 6 month renewal, was signed into law August 26th by Governor Mike Easley and goes into effect January 1, 2011.

NOISE LAWS DEFEATED

The Massachusetts Motorcycle Association has announced that a proposed noise ordinance in North Reading, MA that would have required an EPA Stamp
on motorcycle exhaust systems and stricter noise controls has been defeated.

Prior to a recent meeting of town Selectmen, MMA Chairman Dave Condon met with MMA Member Bill McGarry, a local resident, to review the warrant and the pertinent Massachusetts laws. During an earlier town meeting, the legality of the EPA stamp requirement was discussed in detail and ultimately dropped, but an alternative proposal was amended into the Warrant which would have made noise levels and testing requirements stricter than those currently in Massachusetts General Law (MGL).

With significant support from McGarry, who attended both public hearings and spoke on behalf of the MMA and motorcyclists across Massachusetts, the Selectmen and North Reading Chief of Police recognized that the town cannot impose laws stricter than the Commonwealth — instead, the town acknowledged that enforcement of the existing MGL coupled with appropriate education could be a far more effective tool, and by vote of the selectmen the warrant was removed from the town agenda.

Meanwhile, following much lobbying and testimony from local bikers, a hotly debated noise ordinance in Portland, Maine was unanimously rejected by the City Council and sent back to the Public Safety Committee for more work.

The proposal would have enforced the federal law that all motorcycles made after Dec. 31, 1982 must have mufflers with an EPA label certifying the exhaust system meets EPA standards. A biker riding a motorcycle within city limits without an EPA sticker on the muffler would have been fined $50. The ordinance would have been the first of its kind in Maine, and supporters said its adoption would have made it easier to pass a similar state law.

Opponents, including the United Bikers of Maine (UBM), said the measure would discriminate against motorcyclists and could cost the city tourism dollars by discouraging motorcyclists from visiting Portland.

Motorcycle noise continues to be a contentious and controversial issue across the country, with places like Boston and New York contemplating stricter laws.

U.S. SENATE PASSES AMENDMENT PROTECTING KNIFE OWNERS
In response to a U.S. Customs proposal that would outlaw one-handed assisted opening knives by redefining them as switchblades, on July 9th the U.S. Senate unanimously passed an amendment to the Federal Switchblade Act as part of the Homeland Security appropriations bill to protect by law 35 million Americans who own pocketknives.

The bipartisan measure would exempt assisted-opening knives that can only be opened with “exertion applied to the blade by hand, wrist or arm” from a federal law that criminalizes commerce in switchblades. Assisted opening knives are highly desired by hunters, anglers, farmers, ranchers, firefighters, law enforcement and emergency personnel and others who may need to open a knife with only one hand.

Senator Orrin Hatch (R-Utah) said, “Without this amendment, there is a real danger that 80 percent of the pocketknives sold in the U.S. could be classified as illegal switchblades, which would hurt knife and tool manufacturers across the nation.”

The measure is now under consideration in a House-Senate Conference Committee.

AUSTRALIAN BIKER GROUPS ANGRY OVER TOUGH LAW PROPOSALS
Biker organizations in Australia say that introducing a zero alcohol tolerance for motorcycle riders in Queensland would be discriminatory. The State...
Government is considering the option in an attempt to reduce the road toll.

Lindsay Granger from Motorcycling Queensland says riders should not be singled out. “The only other groups that have zero alcohol content are drivers who are responsible for the safety of others or drivers who are inexperienced,” Granger said. “There doesn’t appear to be any clear logic why experienced motorcyclists should be treated any differently from experienced motorists in any other type of vehicle.”

The zero tolerance effort is also under critique by members of the United Motorcycle Council of Queensland, a newly formed organization comprised of 17 clubs ranging from outlaw patch holders to church groups united to fight efforts of law enforcement from enacting discriminatory legislation aimed at clubs.

BILLY LANE SENTENCED TO PRISON FOR FATAL CRASH
On August 14th, a Florida judge sentenced celebrity bike builder Billy Lane to six years in prison in connection with the Sept. 4, 2006 crash that killed scooter rider Gerald Morelock. Judge Robert Burger also ordered Lane’s drivers license suspended for life and that he undergo random drug and alcohol testing upon his release from prison.

Lane, 39, faced up to nine years in prison after a judge in June OK’d a plea deal in which prosecutors agreed to drop a charge of DUI manslaughter in connection with the Labor Day 2006 accident.

Lane, who was led from the courtroom in handcuffs, choked back tears as he took full responsibility for the rider’s death. “I was very careless. I was a less-responsible citizen,” Lane told the court. “I’m not looking for pity on myself. I drive by the spot where I killed Jerry Morelock every day. I pray to God for his soul and for his family.” Police said Lane’s blood-alcohol level was more than twice the legal limit when he crossed a double-yellow line to speed at 68 mph past three cars on State Road A1A south of Melbourne Beach. He crashed his Dodge pickup head on into 56-year-old Morelock’s small Yamaha motorcycle.

WEIRD NEWS: BEWARE DRUNKARDS CROSSING
A German court ruled on September 14 that a motorcyclist who collided with a drunken pedestrian during a beer fest shared blame for the accident because she should have expected the road to be full of party-goers.

The female biker, who was driving at a legal speed of 25-31 mph hit a man who was crossing the road against a red light during the Munich beer festival which attracts millions of revelers every year.

The court held her “50 percent responsible” for the accident. “During the October (beer) festival there are, it is well known to the authorities, a large number of drunk people on the streets at night, who can not always be trusted to observe the rules of the road,” the court said. “The motorcyclist should have adjusted her speed to be able to avoid these people,” added the statement.

The woman was ordered to pay half of the damages, estimated at 2,500 euros ($3,600 US), and her bid for 1,000 euros compensation for minor injuries sustained in the accident was refused.

QUOTABLE QUOTE: “Be as beneficent as the sun or the sea, but if your rights as a rational being are trenched on, die on the first inch of your territory.” Ralph Waldo Emerson (1803–82) American poet and philosopher
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To promote voter registration and motivate members to write their legislators.
To promote safe riding habits without infringing on individual rights.
To educate the public about motorcycle awareness.

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