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ABATE of CA Bills at a Glance
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CHP Lane Splitting Guidelines (FOR):

- ☐ ABATE's Lobbyist, The Lombardo Group, delivered our response to CHP Commissioner on proposed guidelines - We are a Voting member of this Committee.
- ☐ California Motorcyclists Safety Program Meeting to be held last week of October. Check Social Media Sites Facebook, Instagram-Twitter @ [abatecalifornia](https://www.facebook.com/abatecalifornia), ABATE Email Alerts and December Bailing Wire for Updates

AB 1027 Acosta Motorcycle Driver's licenses examinations (SIGNED into Law by Governor 9/1/17):

- ☐ ABATE's sponsored Bill received no "no" Votes.
- ☐ This allows CHP Commissioner to Approve 1-Day Intermediate Course from Current 3 Day CMSP Premier Program. It allows a demonstrated experience rider may get the DMV motorcycle road test waived with a cert from the 1-day intermediate class instead of the 3-day beginner course.

SB 672 Fuller Traffic-actuated signals - motorcycles & bicycles (SIGNED into Law by Governor 10/2/17):

- ☐ ABATE's sponsored Bill has received no "no" Votes
- ☐ Removes Sunset expiration; now PERMANENT Existing law, requires the placement and maintenance of the loop detector of a traffic-actuated signal, as to detect lawful bicycle or motorcycle traffic on the roadway.
- ☐ **Call – Email your LOCAL City Engineer if a Traffic Light is INOPERABLE**

SB 249 & 159 Allen OHV Program (SIGNED into Law by Governor 10/3/17):

- ☐ After Months of Negotiation and 4 Decades worth of 5 & 10 year Extensions our Lobbyist along with a United Coalition of User Groups agreed to a Permanent Program!
- ☐ We and the OHV User Groups came to a Livable Solution with the Environmentalists. More to come in the following Months and Years. The OHV Commission makeup has the next 5 Years to sort each Category of Representation out, we'll continue to Monitor this as well as all Off-Road Issues.
- ☐ ABATE'S Lobbyist was Integral in this Success; 1 of 3 Lobbyists from 25 User Groups

California Air Resource Board (CARB) Red Sticker Program & Motorcycle On-Road Emissions (AGAINST):

- ☐ The Red sticker program established in 1998 states that beginning with the 2003 model year, OHRVs that do not meet emissions standards receive a red registration sticker from the DMV. During peak



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What is ABATE?

ABATE is a motorcyclists' rights organization (not a club) dedicated to preserving freedom of choice and freedom of the road, with emphasis on education and safety. Our members are active in programs for public awareness and motorcycle safety, and in supporting many types of charity events.

There are no special requirements for joining aside from an interest in promoting motorcyclists' rights and safety with payment of the appropriate fees.

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ozone season, the red sticker limits operation at certain off-highway recreational vehicle parks.

- CARB is discussing getting rid of this program and Banning Red Sticker Bikes all together. They will be looking at this sometime in 2018, we are Monitoring.

SB 660 Newman Vehicle exhaust systems: exemption (FOR – TWO YEAR BILL):

- This bill would amend the existing law that allows CARB to regulate pollution control devices. The amendment would create the Aftermarket Parts Account in which monies deposited would be used for the purpose of hiring additional staff for the implementation of approved devices.
- This would get aftermarket parts approved quicker for sale.
- Stakeholder Meetings taking Place at Capitol, ABATE's Lobbyist is Attending/Monitoring

California Motorcycle Safety Program (CMSP) Hi-Vis Subcommittee (CHP) (AGAINST):

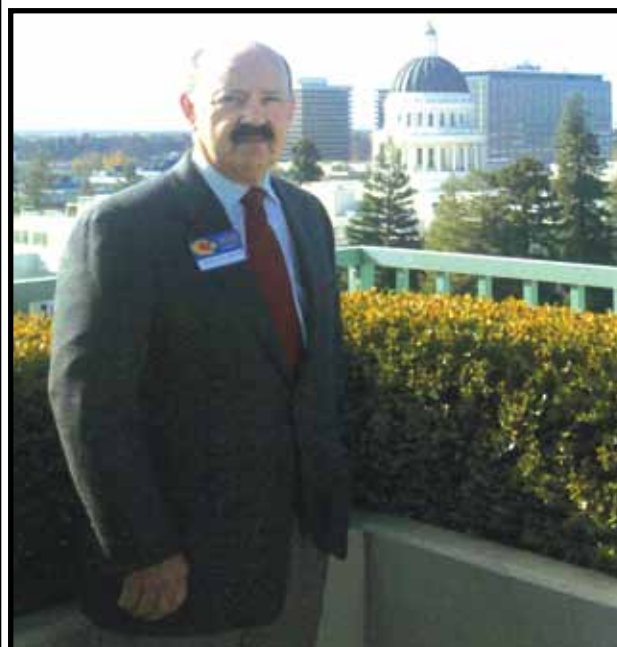
- The committee is recommending that all riders wear Hi-Vis vests. ABATE's Lobbyist has emphatically voiced that we are against this and is a waste of the CMSP Fee that Motorcyclists pay during Registration.

Want more details on a bill?

<http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/>

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Lobbyist's Legislative Report



by James Lombardo, Lobbyist

The Legislature adjourned on September 16th at 2:00 am - Governor Brown signed and vetoed his last bills on October 15th. One such Bill passed by the Legislature moved up California's Primary Election to the first week in March 2018 – it will be a **LONG and BUSY** year for us! The General Elections are only a year away to select a New Governor, State Office holders & all 80 Assembly Members plus 20 State Senators and one U.S. Senator.

We attended the SHSP (Strategic Highway Safety Plan) consisting of DMV, CHP and Caltrans representatives regarding motorcycle issues. The "Novelty" Helmet Exchange Action Item is no longer moving forward within this Committee as we advised them to allocate funds elsewhere, for better use. However, those advocating for it are trying to secure

funds from the Office of Traffic Safety and the CMSP (California Motorcycle Safety Program) which, as voting members on the Committee, we are monitoring. During the last week of October, the next CMSP Advisory Committee meeting is scheduled; expect a report in next month's *Bailing Wire*, as well as possible future legislation discussed during the Board Meeting in Fresno on October 21st. For updates in between, follow our Social Media Sites: twitter.com/ABATECalifornia & www.instagram.com/abatecalifornia

Now that the Legislature has recessed, meetings are being held for Two-year Bills, meaning they were either postponed by Author (Assemblymember or Senator) due to Opposition or Defeated in Committee and asked for reconsideration:

Assembly Bill by 342 David Chiu (D – San Francisco) **Vehicles: automated speed enforcement: five-year pilot program** (Transportation - Not Voted on, Testimony Only)

Cameras may issue camera sensed speeding tickets in San Francisco & San Jose. It would not be a point on a driving record, just a \$100 Fine. Cities like Los Angeles & San Diego have asked to be included.

Senate Bill 805 by Nancy Skinner (D – Berkeley) **Emerging vehicle technology: advisory study group** (Appropriations – Held in Committee)

Limited to only Government Departments Advisory Committee, not Public Interest Groups (Public Transportation Groups, State Motorcyclists Rights Organization, Deaf/Blind Community)

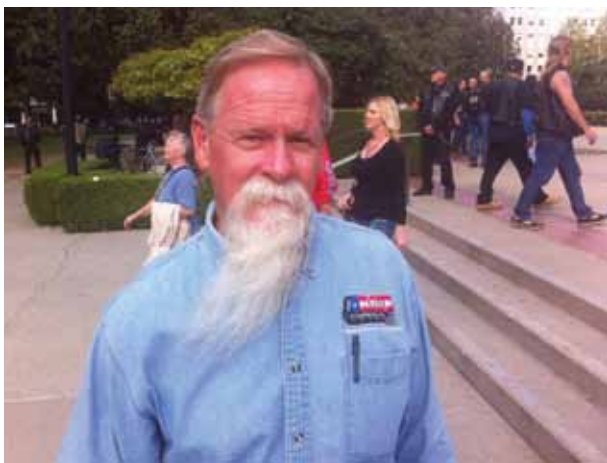
We'll be attending Stakeholder Meetings at the State Capitol from here until the start of session, networking to maintain ABATE of California as the premier Motorcyclists Rights Organization while connecting with Committees, Staff and Members of the Legislature on all Motorcycle and Motorcycle Related Issues to either Support or Oppose for next year.

Thanks to all for the continuing contributions to the Dedicated Lobbyist Fund - keeping us up in Sacramento fighting for your Rights!

Mission Statement

ABATE of California is committed to protect and promote the interests of the Motorcycle community. ABATE exists to preserve and safeguard the individual rights and liberties of all riders thru political and legislative action. ABATE promotes motorcycle safety through education, training and public awareness.

Executive Director's Report



by Dave Hastings, Executive Director

Fresno's Local 24 hosted the 4th quarter Board of Directors meeting on October 21st and we had 12 of our 19 ABATE Locals represented. After opening the meeting with everyone standing up proud and loud for our "Pledge of Allegiance" (followed by a soft "God Save the Queen" from someone in the audience for Spike), Glenn Phillips began conducting the routine business listed on our meeting agenda.

We presented a "Lifetime Achievement Award" to Joe Biniskiewich, more commonly referred to simply as Joe B., for his years of service to ABATE of California as our computer guru. Joe is one of those indispensable people silently working in the background for ABATE that most of our members have never met or seen. He was here before me, (I've been a member for 26 years and have only seen him four or five times), and he still, to this day, helps us every time we need any technical advice. A very small gesture on our part to someone who definitely deserves it!

Glenn then asked for a "Moment of Silence" for "Deacon" David Phillips, the founder of ABATE of California, and Pastor Tom Longbrake and Loren Love - both members of Local 20. Our condolences to their families and close friends and may they never be forgotten by their ABATE family, too.

After these items it was back to routine business and reports from the various department chairs. It was a pleasure to announce that Local 33 is up and running again with a new slate of Officers and an optimistic outlook for their future. We received an update on our new social media sites that have been recently set up and we were apprised of the activity on our Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram accounts along with the successful startup of the "Join" and "Donate" functions on all three accounts and our ABATE of California website, too! We are trying to modernize and make all of our sites more user friendly for both our computer and smart phone users. Please check the sites and give us a "like" because we will be monitoring usage and updating information on a regular basis. Social media is the newspaper of choice in today's world and we are going to try to make our sites informative and useful to those of you who visit them. So, visit and comment on a regular basis, and we will use your input to help guide us in our quest to better inform and educate our members and the other social media users who take the time to check us out!

If you haven't already done so, please get your vote in for our annual "Freedom Fighter of the Year" award. We have three very deserving individuals on the 2017 ballot and we are awaiting your vote to declare the winner of this year's award. The announcement will be made publicly and the award presented at our January Board of

Directors meeting.

After riding cross country and back, Keith Johnston brought us up to date on the MRF happenings and the "Meeting of the Minds" in the Washington, D.C. area and presented ABATE of California with a beautiful "State Legislative Award" from the MRF for our successful passage of AB51 (our lane splitting bill). Keith and his wife have agreed to make a power point presentation that will be made available to all of our Locals statewide as soon as they have it completed. I'm not going into the specifics at this time because I don't want to steal their thunder, but I will say they gave a very informative and interesting presentation to those of us in attendance and I know you will feel the same when you get your chance to see the presentation.

Our next Board of Directors meeting is tentatively scheduled for January 13, 2018, but the date and southern California location has not been officially confirmed at this time. We will release the information as quickly as we can, but until then hold that date open if possible.

We are still seeking applicants for two additional 2018 Board of Director member positions. If you have a desire to accept a position on our Board of Directors please contact me or any other member of the Board of Directors and we will present your application to our other Board members for consideration. In addition, if you have any questions regarding the position, we will be happy to answer them also. As usual, if you need help or guidance with the position, we will gladly assist in making you feel comfortable with your required duties. Please think about the openings and get back to us soon so we can start January 2018 with a full slate of State Officers!

Thank you, Dave H.

Pac/Treasurer's Report

by Dave Hastings, PAC Treasurer

We received a wealth of information during our last scheduled PAC meeting of 2017 from Chuck Petersen, our Legislative Director, and Jim Lombardo, our Lobbyist. Chuck brought us up to date on the on-going anti-profiling project and the working groups' effort to get this legislation ready. Many individuals and groups are gathering info, making contact with our elected officials and their staff members, and trying very hard to bring about passage of anti-profiling legislation in California. Everyone is doing their best to gather, sort, and prepare the documentation needed to present undeniable proof of profiling in California and the specific need for our legislative action.

In addition, everyone is working together to find a political sponsor and champion to carry a bill through both legislative houses and onto our governor's desk for a signature. They have all quietly put untold hours of hard work into this effort and ABATE is proud to be a contributing partner in this endeavor.

Hopefully we will see continued progress, and ultimately, success in next year's legislative session. Either way, we are determined to bring this issue to the governor's desk as soon as possible and we will continue to address the profiling of motorcycle riders here in California and throughout the country.

Jim Lombardo gave us updates on the motorcycle related bills that we helped get to Governor Brown's desk in 2017 for a signature. We had success with AB 1027 - Acosta (motorcycle driver license modification), SB672 - Fuller (permanent traffic signal light actuation repair) SB 249 - Allen (off-highway vehicle program policy) and SB 159 - Allen (permanent off-highway vehicle program funding) and all were signed into law by Governor Brown.

In addition, Jim is still monitoring closely many other pieces of legislation that are still active or being proposed for next year. Some good, some bad, all being closely watched and ABATE will be ready to support or oppose these bills when they come back up for discussion or a vote.

That is what we do, and we do a damn good job of it! So why aren't you helping in our battle to preserve motorcycle rights in California?

Next year will start a new election cycle here in California and we will have an opportunity to help elect motorcycle friendly candidates and de-

feat those we must oppose. Join us in protecting California from the people who would, and will, make your motorcycle riding lifestyle miserable.

Do something to protect your right to ride. If you don't have the time or desire to actively participate with us then go to our website or social media sites and push the "DONATE" button and at least help us and yourself with a financial donation for your "freedom of the road".

We are all unpaid volunteers of ABATE of California, so your money gets spent on one thing only - your right to ride! Think about that statement for a moment, then either join or donate. We need your help one way or the other and we need it now - don't delay another day!

**"THANKS TO THOSE THAT DO,
AND TO THOSE THAT DON'T,
PLEASE TRY TO!"**



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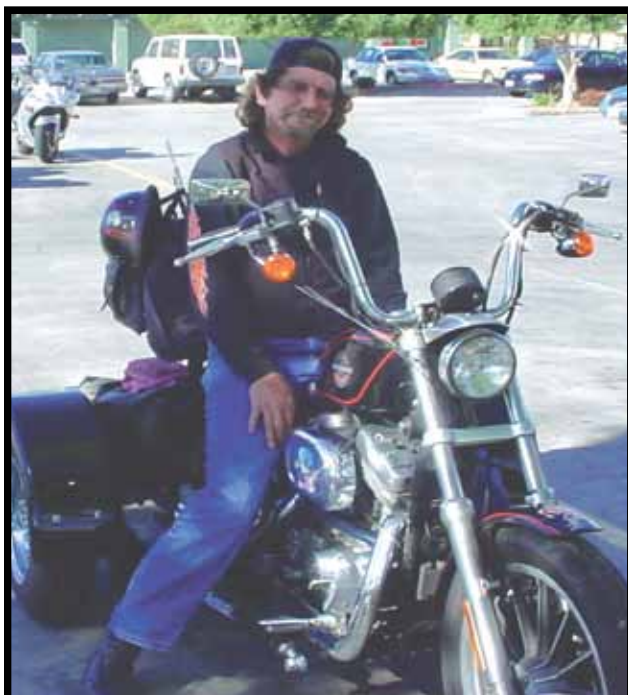
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MEMBERSHIP REPORT



by Sporty Milligan, Membership Chairman

Hello all! There is not much to say this month that has not been said in my previous columns. I will just remind you of a few of things. The 2017 membership drive ends December 31st. I hope you're continuing to look for new members. Next year's Membership drive starts January 1st, 2018.

Work to keep your members renewing. Keep your members informed, even if they don't show up for meetings. Keeping them interested in the doings of ABATE will encourage them to renew

when the time comes.

When members come to your Local's meetings, make them feel welcome. Encourage your members to support your Business members.

At upcoming events, try to get a membership booth so you can tell folks about ABATE and ask them to become members.

Finally, if you have ideas to help improve the way we do memberships, or just have an idea on how we can keep or increase our memberships, send your idea to me at williammilligan285@yahoo.com

Remember there is unity and strength in numbers of members.

Membership Chairman Sporty Milligan reporting



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LOCAL REPORTS

Local #01 Los Angeles



Hi all! This report is not my usual “what will happen” report because we had our October meeting before this report was due for the Bailing Wire.

Folks that attended are the following: Teacher aka David Duarte. Robbie Freeman, Shelia Lindsey, Kathy Edwards, Glen Cheslock, Vince Alvarez and his son Robert Nadler, Sporty Milligan, Lonnie Bliss and Richard Wagner. As usual we started with the Pledge of Allegiance - no knee dropping in this group!

I gave the treasurer report - we have enough money to cover our expenses. Most of the information this month was from the Bailing Wire. I gave the PAC report and talked about the bills that we have been following that were signed into law, SB 672 and AB 1047

Richard Wagner talked about the LA Toy run on December 10th, which will support the Ronald McDonald house this year. Please volunteer to work the run, you will get a Run patch!

We also talked about various runs: Local 3/13's Trivia run on October 22nd - group ride to this run, the 4th quarterly Board of Directors meeting in Fresno on October 21st, Shaggers' Toy run on November 10th, and Pomona HOG & Local 19's Toy run on December 3rd. We also started the ball rolling on what to do about our 31st annual Polar Bear run - more on that at the next meeting, which is on November 19th.

Glen gave his membership report. He has sent out the final years' quarterly renewal notices. Long time member, Thomas Chappell who lives in Arizona, sent his renewal in! Thank you for supporting ABATE of CA!

We also talked about the Deacon David Phillips' final ride that took place October 14th. (More about that in the Sporty's Rides column.) Shelia brought up the Glendale HOG Chapter Christmas dance that will be in December.

We closed the meeting with the raffle that helps supplement the monthly contribution for the Lobbyists fund – groovy! The winner was Richard Wagner. He won \$35. Pretty good! Missing in action was VP Jim Nickla who is still recovering from his recent accident on his 2002 duce. Feel better my friend.

When the meeting was over some of the members ate breakfast, which the great cooks at the Elks Lodge make, and some of us scrambled to Paramount Ranch in Agoura Hills for the Exile Riders' Round-up. ABATE Local 3/13 had a booth at the event that we helped out with. (More on that in Sporty's Rides column.)

Regards, Sporty Milligan, ABATE Local 1 President

Local #02 Simi Valley



I could smell the BBQ from the parking lot as I came to our meeting tonight. The sun was setting and the lure of fresh cooked burgers and hot dogs was very alluring. We serve a great \$4.00 BBQ meal of burgers/footlong hotdogs and all the fixin's you could want. A great big thanks to our volunteer cook's Jim and Scott! We start serving this fantastic deal at 6:45 pm until 7:20 pm and you can freshen up your pallet with drinks from the bar as well. You can't go wrong with this combo! Our meal is for ABATE and we do generate money! So the food you eat benefits you and ABATE! We meet on the second Tuesday of the month and our meeting starts promptly at 7:30 pm. We meet at VFW POST 10049, 4242 East Los Angeles Street in Simi Valley.

Pres Guy opened up our meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance (no one kneeled) and introduced one of our guests, Local 13's Keith. He talked about his meeting/event with the MRF on the east coast. Keith talked about their workshops/classes and their process of acquiring new members. He learned the political process about how Washington handles new bills, laws etc. We were very thankful for his interest in motorcycle laws and what we represent as concerned motorcyclists.

Pres Guy talked about Local 2's new winter run, called the Chili Buns run, with the possibilities of us partnering with the VFW. This would be great for both ABATE and the VFW. We will have a grand prize raffle and something about eating chili along with the VFW's bar. We are going to do this very soon and are in the final planning stages. So please come to our meetings and see what you can do, besides we miss all who couldn't attend our meeting.

No VP report, Jane, our secretary, read the minutes and Pat, our treasurer, gave us our report on our funds, PR Norm stressed reading the Bailing Wire for all current information on ABATE and other information as well, Jane did the membership report for Frank, Pigface Bob talked about the surprise run last month and our next run coming up.

We had our elections and pretty much all officers renewed their term for 2018, Yay! We had a really good meeting and talked about a lot of issues that we are going to face in the future. Great comradery! Pres Guy won our membership drawing and donated \$50.00 to ABATE state general fund! Great thanks from all of us!

Ride safer, period! PTL norm e.

Local 03/13 Thousand Oaks & Ventura



Our focus this month is elections of our Local 3/13 officers. During our monthly membership meeting, on Thursday, November 16th, 7 pm, at the Elks Lodge, T. O., we will elect the board of officers who will lead us through the next year. We hope to see ALL members at this meeting. Member participation is key! Each member's voice is important. Our Local 3/13 continues to grow and evolve.

We've been riding and making new friends in other clubs and groups. Spreading the word that ABATE's legislative activities helps ALL riders. It's all about motorcyclists' rights across all clubs, groups and organizations! Supporting ABATE makes a statement and sends money to work towards fair treatment of motorcyclists. Whether you ride with ABATE or ride with another group, being a member of ABATE and/or just participating in these events, contributes to the

work we do protecting your motorcycle riding rights. The comradery and the interest in our mission is contagious!

Our past President, and ABATE's California State Legislative Director, Chuck “Chief” Pedersen, and MRF Rep. Keith “Solo” Johnston, along with some of our officers, continue to network with various other groups, building alliances to assemble a formidable voice in Sacramento. Issues we are working on include a new “Anti-Profilng” bill.

Our Local 3/13 is always welcoming new members. Bike nights are held the 1st Thursday of each month, 7 pm, at Azar's Sports Bar & Grill in Newbury Park. General Membership meetings are on the 3rd Thursdays, 7 pm, at the Elks Lodge, 158 N. Conejo School Road in Thousand Oaks, and Sunday rides every third Sunday.

Come join us to any or all of these events and bring your friends. Check us out on Facebook at www.Facebook/ABATE313 to follow our events and issues. It's all about motorcyclists' rights across all clubs, groups & organizations!

Ride Free! Kathleen “MamaBear” B. P.R., Local 3/13

Local #08 Orange County



A few bills that were signed by the Governor are desk SB 672 Fuller Traffic-actuated signals – motorcycles and bicycles and SB 249 and SB 159 Allen OHV Program (from cover of October 2017 Bailing Wire).

Upcoming is ABATE Local 8's annual Local officers elections, so come and vote! If you want to become an officer, we can fill you in on how to do so and explain the positions.

The ABATE of California Harley raffle will be held at Hot Rods and Harley Davidson on June 3rd, 2018, so get your tickets! Who knows? You could be riding around on a new bike.

It's time to vote for Freedom Fighter of the year, you can see the three individuals' articles in the Bailing Wire. Send in your ballot no later than December 9th.

The annual Totally Kids run set up by Honda Ray and others is on November 12th. If you haven't gone yet, you should. I went many times over the years and it's a great experience every time being around the kids, nurses and staff. When you leave after the event you will have a smile on your face and in turn you will put one on their faces. Oh yah, there is a mystery ride at the end of the day.

Coming up on December 11th Local 8 will be holding its annual Christmas party at our meeting place at 7:30 pm. At our next meeting we will be discussing the details. So come join in the discussion. We will be talking about whether we want a potluck? Or something else? How we are going to do the gifts exchanges? And the rules? Does anyone have any other ideas?

On November 16th-19th is the International Motorcycle Show at the Long Beach Convention Center. At our last meeting we talked about getting a group together and riding to the show - so keep posted. Keep in mind you can test ride many brands of bikes at the show!

If anyone has any ideas of fun activities for the Local to do, come to the next meeting and share them

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with the group - everyone is welcome. Ryan won the opportunity drawing last month, he donated it back to Local 8 – thanks!

Daniel

Local #17 Alameda, Contra Costa, Solano & Napa Counties

Greetings from Local 17! So much has been hap-



pening lately, it seems that time is passing quickly.

With devastating fires in our area filling the skies with heavy smoke, many of our members stepped up and contributed much needed supplies to the evacuees. Our prayers go out to those who have suffered losses.

A reminder to everyone - be especially aware at intersections when riding. Several local riders have been killed or severely injured at intersections in the past few weeks when cars failed to yield the right of way, or turned into the path of the rider.

We are continuing to sell tickets for our 2017-2018 Bike Raffle! We have procured a new 2017 Road Glide Standard from Iron Steed HD and will be an-

nouncing our winner at the annual ABATE Hot Rod & Harley show on June 3rd, 2018 at Iron Steed HD. Tickets are available through Locals 1, 8, 17, 20 and 24 with more Locals joining soon. We have plenty of time to make a worthy donation to the ABATE of California Mothership. Please contact us for more details and we will gladly get tickets sent to you!

Nominations for next year's officers are coming up soon. Thanks to those who have helped this year!

Our annual Holiday party is coming up on December 2nd and tickets will be on sale soon.

Our Local is joining forces with the COC and other motorcycle groups for the Toy run this year, so the date has been changed to December 9th.

Ride Safe and Free and I will see you around the next corner.

Local #20 Orange County

Alright! Listen up and uncover for the Pledge of Allegiance. God Save the Queen. 25 members and 5 guests were in attendance. Spike covered what's going on in Waco. The women attorneys are working their hearts out for the biker community and working outside the box. We have a wide unification of bikers across the nation. You can follow at www.wacotrib.com.

The Governor signed the left turn green light bill. If you wait 2 lights and the light doesn't change, you may proceed when safe.

A third 2017-2018 Motorcycle Profiling survey will be sent out to you once Gill gets it. It only takes a few minutes to fill out and doesn't ask for any personal information.

We had a moment of silence for Scott Van Reenen (Grumpy's Hog Shop) who passed away on October

1st. He leaves behind 2 children.

Frank Janicke lost the \$35 – he wasn't present for the membership drawing.

Non Politically Correct Gill
Secretary Squirt

Local #38 Imperial Valley

Hello ABATE Members! I start with sad news that most of you know, the founder of ABATE, Deacon Phillips, went on his final ride. I had the privilege to meet him at various ABATE runs over the years and bought his book at the last Southern Regional Rally. He will be greatly missed.

Donations for Local 38's Turkey run are slowly coming in. I went to the ABATE Local 6 meeting and they made a donation – thank you! We have received donations from the Law Tigers, El Cajon Harley, and the Biker Shack in Alpine. In Yuma, AZ, Bobby's Territorial Harley-Davidson and the Yuma HOG Chapter have made donations. Yuma HOG usually has 25 to 30 riders attend our event every year – thank you for your support! Local businesses have also donated, such as Bob and Alicia Brown Rentals, Mitosinka Barros & Sharp, and AutoZone stores. After the Turkey run I will have a list of the sponsors in my monthly report.

Once again the 20th annual ABATE Local 38 Turkey run will be on November 18th, 2017. Registration at 8:30 am to 10:00 am. After we collect the frozen birds, we go out to deliver them to the charities on our list and end up at the St. Mary's Parrish hall where there will be turkey dinner with all the trimmings for the participants. Then we'll do our raffle drawing.

Our monthly meeting for November will be the Thursday before the Turkey run. For more info on the run, check the flyer in this issue of the Bailing Wire, or call me (760)-554-8843. Please donate, attend and volunteer if possible.

Our monthly meeting for December will be the Thursday before our Toy run. The Los Ninos Toy run will be December 16th, 2017. We donate toys and money to the Betty-Jo McNeece Receiving Home for Abused and Abandoned Children. We appreciate any support for both runs.

Well it's starting to cool off now. I'm seeing a lot more motorcycles on the road, so be safe out there and have a happy Thanksgiving.

Ed Aranda, President ABATE Local #38, Imperial Valley

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Statement of Intent: Board of Directors 2-Year Term 2018-2019 - Even

Candidate - Mark "Dogman" Castillero



I have been an ABATE member of Local 11 since July 2009. I am currently the Local's PAC representative, a member of the ABATE Board of Directors and the ABATE State Treasurer.

I am active with a lot of other motorcyclist's groups including the AMA, and was a member of the MMA and the MRF.

My goals for ABATE of California are:

1] To promote our Motorcycle Rights by legislatively working with our State lobbyist to accomplish our legislative goals.

2] To put the word out to all motorcyclists to get involved, to speak out and join ABATE.

3] To work towards motorcyclists uniting to become a strong political voice.

Thank you, Dogman

Candidate - Glenn Phillips



I have been a member of ABATE for 11 years and am a current member of the Board of Directors. I have served as President of ABATE Local 17 for 6 terms and have volunteered to run for a 7th term and have also served as Local 17's Run and Event Coordinator.

Coming into the Local 17 presidency under difficult circumstances, I brought the Local back to a strong and striving organization. My leadership has met the challenges I was faced with and turned the Local into the largest Local in California.

I have signed up the most new members in the 2013, 2014, 2015 and 2016 Membership Drives and am in line to win again for 2017. I was chosen by the members of ABATE for the 2014 Freedom Fighter of the year.

I have worked tirelessly planning and organizing Local 17 events. This has proven to be very successful and substantial amounts of money have been donated to the ABATE treasury.

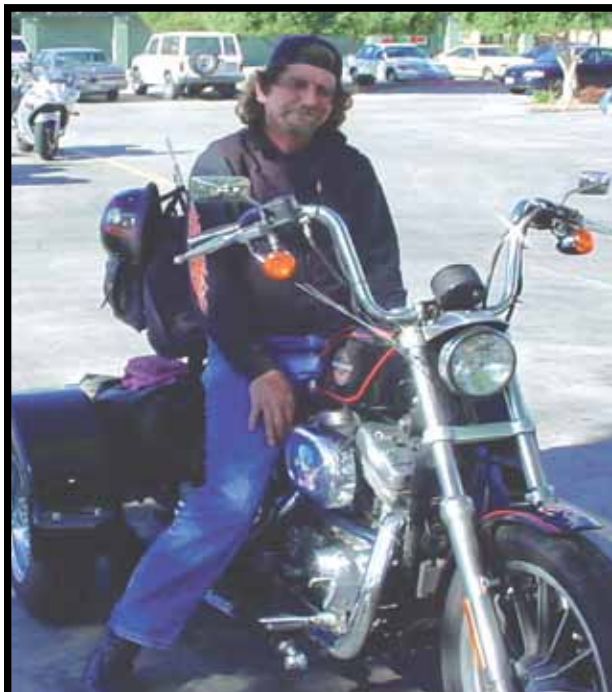
Thank you for your consideration, Glenn.

Candidate - Yet to be Announced



WANTED – a passionate person who wants to work hard to protect our motorcycle rights. If you are that person and want to have a say in the direction of our organization send your name, a short bio and a picture to bailing.wire@abate.org

Candidate - Sporty Milligan



Hi all! This is Sporty Milligan current ABATE Board of Directors member. You know where I stand on the issues that affect your right to ride.

With that said, I am again asking you to support me as a Board member with your vote. We can accomplish much and need leaders to guide the membership. I feel that I can bring that leadership to guide us into the future.

You get no bull pucky from me, just the ability to do whatever it takes to protect your right to ride. I stand by my words. So consider electing me to the Board once again.

Sincere regards, Sporty Milligan, Current Board member.

Candidate - Yet to be Announced



WANTED – a person committed to our rights and protecting them. If you have the passion and can give a little of your time please send your name, a short bio and a picture to bailing.wire@abate.org

Candidate - Daniel "Boomer" Humber

My name is Daniel B. Humber aka "Boomer". I am the Vice President of ABATE Local 20 and a current member of the Board of Directors and a member of the IW M/C.

I have been a Union Ironworker for the last 35 years and have worked my way up to management, which I've been doing for over 25 years. I have a good understanding on how to deal with people in the workplace and manage large projects. I have a valid California Driver's license and I'm in good standing with my local community. I was born in California and have lived here all my life.

I have grown up around the motorcycle community. I have four Harley Davidson motorcycles and counting. I put a lot of miles on them every year.

I'm very interested in what ABATE does for the motorcycle community and biker rights. I feel that it's working for biker rights and that's why I'm a part of it.

I love being a biker and I love the United States of America, the Constitution and the right to be an American. What I don't like is people trying to enact laws to take away our freedoms. That's why we have to keep fighting for our rights in the motorcycle community.

Who knows what the future might bring. As long as I'm around, I will work hard to keep what we have in the motorcycle community. I like what we have right now, for the most part, but I would like to see it get better rather than worse. That's why I'm involved.

I hope this information will be helpful to the members of ABATE of California and if they decide to re-elect me as a Board member, I will do my best for ABATE and our motorcycle rights.

Thank you Daniel B. Humber

Candidate - Yet to be Announced



WANTED – Devoted person to take seat for last year of 2-Year 2017-2018 term

This seat is vacant due to Mark Loudermilk relocating out of state. There is 1 year left to this seat so you would serve for the 2018 term only. If interested please send your name, a brief bio and a pic to bailing.wire@abate.org

To ABATE Members:

The 4 candidates above are the only Members that submitted their 'statement of intent.' Thank you for Volunteering to serve the ABATE Members!

Your ABATE of California Board of Director's (BOD) is comprised of (11) members. Because the election ballot was not filled by the September 15th deadline these (4) will be accepted and instated as "walkover candidates" without a vote from the general membership. The above (4) candidates as well as the (4) board members from the Odd term will ensure the BOD has a quorum when they take office in January of 2018. Having this quorum enables them to perform their designated duties for ABATE of California.

We currently have (2) open seats for the 2018-2019 BOD, (1) open seat for the remainder of the 2017-2018 BOD and are accepting applications for those positions.

Please consider running for one of these positions by submitting a short BIO and a picture of yourself to bailing.wire@abate.org ASAP. Any ABATE Member that has been a member for at least one year is eligible for a BOD position. Those eligible for appointment to the Board will be voted on at our BOD meeting in January. The BOD will also retain any additional candidate applications received and place those candidates in the "alternate" BOD member selection pool for the 2018-2019 terms.

Your 2018-2019 ABATE Board Members so far will be: Mark "Dogman" Castillero, Dave Hastings, Gill Mellen, Lee "Sporty" Milligan, Glenn Phillips, Daniel "Boomer" Humber, Robert Nadler and Spike.

Thank you to the outgoing Board Members: Adam "The Lion" Sheldon, Ed Rogers and Mark Loudermilk. We truly appreciate the time that you gave to ABATE as Board Members. You will be missed and we do expect to see you in October at the last ABATE Board meeting of this year!

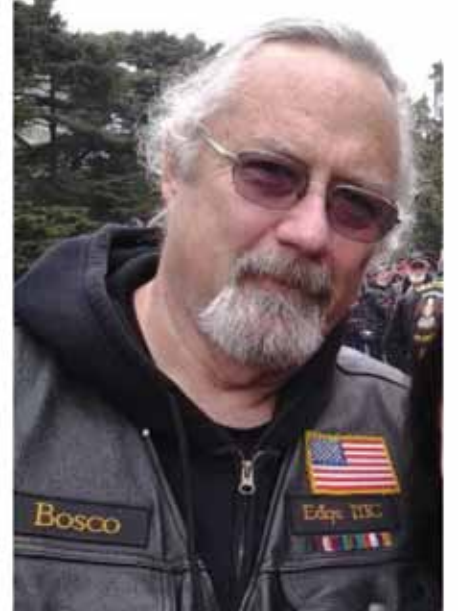
Sincerely,
Dave Hastings
Executive Director
ABATE of California, Inc.

2017 Freedom Fighter Nominations

**Nomination of Steve Howe, Local #08,
by Dan & Linda Kelly**

**Nomination of Jim Schlachter, Local
#17, by Glenn Phillips**

**Nomination of Mark Loudermilk,
Local #23/27, by Dave Hastings**



Steve Howe has been an ABATE of California member for 7 years, and has shown his determination and commitment to spreading awareness of ABATE's mission and ideals.

Steve first joined ABATE as a member of Local 22. With his relocation to the Buena Park area he attended Local 8's meeting in October 2013 where he became involved and jumped in, attending Board meetings and rallies and continued to demonstrate his leadership capabilities by being elected Local 8's President the following year.

By his attendance at the state quarterly meetings he is also a PAC member.

Increasing membership and promoting awareness of issues relevant to the motorcycling community, he galvanized Local 8's members to reach out and develop a forward-thinking, inclusive atmosphere by engaging local and state politicians, business partners and other diverse riding groups. Adhering to the ideas of donating "a penny a mile" ridden and "found money" make him a consistent contributor to ABATE's funding.

Freedom Fighters are those individuals who are on the front line. That is Steve Howe.

It gives me great pleasure to nominate Jim for the 2017 Freedom Fighter award. Jim has been a dedicated member of ABATE for over 14 years, serving not only as a Local Officer but on the State Board for a time. Jim is currently serving as the Merchandise Officer for our Local and has served as Vice President and Treasurer in the past. He has been an inspiration to me and continues to do so. He is a great example of what being a member is all about-PARTICIPATION.

Jim gives 110 percent. He was a driving leader in our 2013 Bike Raffle serving as Chairman for the process. The work required, along with the stress, was tremendous. He ran a tight ship and the result was a huge success for the entire organization of ABATE! He set the platform which we are using for our upcoming bike raffle. Jim volunteers when he can at anything we ask.

Jim was also instrumental in restoring our Local after a mismanagement period and gaining back our membership as the largest Local in California. He is a dear friend and riding partner to many throughout the Local. Please support me and vote for Jim Schlachter for ABATE of California Freedom Fighter of the Year.

I would like to nominate Mark Loudermilk of Local 23/27 for Freedom Fighter of the Year. Mark has been a member of ABATE since 2009. Many members wear multiple hats with ABATE and Mark has taken many roles. In 2014 seeing a vacancy in the Board and Region 9, his region, he volunteered and filled those positions.

Having a computer degree, in 2015 he approached Carol Cromwell about assisting with the webpage and eventually took over as the webmaster and still does that job. He also setup and administers, with others, the Facebook pages for both Locals 23 and 27.

In 2015 he became Vice president of Local 23 and Treasurer of Local 27 and in 2016 Membership Officer of Local 27. He is also PAC Rep and Safety Officer for both Locals.

In 2016 he worked with Nick Benson and Chuck Pederson in distributing and tabulating the questionnaires sent to candidates and is currently preparing the database for the 2018 election. Recently he was made Assistant to the Legislative Director to aid with communications.

Lastly, when we learned that Deacon was seriously ill and Kay was hoping to find a last ride for him, Mark reached out to people and organizations in Oregon and at this time has two people committed to giving that ride and others offering to visit in support.

He still does ALL 9 jobs, helping to keep the ABATE wheels turning.

2017 Freedom Fighter Ballot

Local # _____ Member # _____

Name #1 _____

Name #2 _____
(If couple)

Vote #1

Vote #2
(If couple)

Steve Howe

Mark Loudermilk

Jim Schlachter

Ballots will NOT be counted if

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ABATE Events for 2017

You can also go to our website www.abate.org and Events Calendar to download available flyers.

- October 7** – ABATE Local 17 – Fall Bingo
- October 21** – ABATE of CA. 4th Quarterly Meetings – Fresno – Piccadilly Inn Airport
- October 22** – ABATE Local 3/13 – Trivia Run (see flyer this issue)
- November 4** – ABATE Local 24 - 27th Annual Turkey Run (see flyer this issue)
- November 12** – Totally For Kids, Just a nice thing to do
- November 18** – ABATE Local 38 – Turkey Run (see flyer this issue)
- December 2** – ABATE Local 17 – Christmas Party
- December 3** – ABATE Local 19 – 30th Annual Toy Run (see flyer this issue)
- December 10** – ABATE Local 1 – Toy Run (see flyer this issue)
- June 3** – ABATE Local 17 – Bike Raffle (see flyer this issue)

Bike Nites:
 ABATE Local 3/13 – 1st Thursday of the month (See flyer in this issue for details.)
 If you have a date for your event, and no details or flyer yet, you may still submit your dates so others can pencil it in on their social calendar. Then submit your flyer in time for the Bailing Wire and to be posted on ABATE's website.
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 Sporty Milligan
 Bob Warren

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 Patti Bock
 Scott & Pat Burton

ABATE Local 3/13
 Chris Hodapp
 Keith & Sharon Johnston
 Mike & Mary Osborn

ABATE Local #06
 Bart & Wendy Perry

ABATE Local #08
 Steve Howe
 Tim Sr. & Yvonne Tennimon

ABATE Local #11
 Dick & Sherry Beckton

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 Robert Martin

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 Ron Tibbetts

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 Jeff & Nina Ozanne

ABATE Local #52
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Meeting of the Minds

by Keith Johnston, MRF Liaison

Greetings ABATE members! California has been represented at the Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF) "Meeting of the Minds" event this year. The event was held in Williamsburg, Virginia.

If you are not familiar with the event, here is a brief description: It is a four-day conference and workshop held for all MRF members that provides "nuts and bolts" training to assist motorcyclists in defending, building and strengthening their grassroots organizations. During the event the legislative agenda is also determined for the next year.

The first day of the event, Thursday, was registration followed that evening with a general welcoming by the MRF leaders and then, much to my surprise, a presentation by each of the states that were represented. There were thirty states represented this year. We all had to talk a bit about what was going on in our states as far as legislation concerning motorcyclists. I did not know I was going to have to speak to an auditorium full of people that evening. I managed to pull it off though. After that was over a friendly hospitality room had been set up where drinks were free and the conversations lasted well into the night.

Each morning would start out with "General Sessions" which are lectures on things like legislative updates, effective lobbying, and "State of the MRF". After lunch there was a series of breakout sections that would cover everything from membership retention, rider education, women in motorcycling to legislative planning and how to meet with your elective representatives.

Since there were so many different breakout sessions and I was accompanied by my wife, Sharon, we decided to split up and cover as many of the different subject as we could. I had two sessions that I had to attend. One on the 2018 legislative agenda and the second was a required session for each state representative. I also was able to cover the session for Executive Directors Town Hall meeting which talked about how to handle a state motorcycle rights organization (SMRO). Sharon was able to cover sessions on Women in Motorcycling, Membership Retention and How to Approach Congressional Staffers. We both attended a lecture presented by a twenty-nine year seasoned lobbyist from the NRA. The lecture was quite informative and I think we all know how powerful and effective the NRA has become over the years.

The legislative agenda that was decided upon for 2018 is very similar to the 2017 agenda. At the top of the list is still a national Anti-Profiling Bill followed by modification to existing legislation concerning the Renewable Fuel Source. The MRF is actively involved in trying to pass legislation to reduce the amount of ethanol in the current fuel supply and has been successful in keeping the amount of ethanol at its current level. Also at the top of the list is Autonomous Vehicles (Driverless Cars). We are still watching this issue as it still doesn't seem to take motorcycles into account when testing the intelligence used in the cars.

High on the list is the governments push to make "safer crashes". The MRF position is to educate towards crash avoidance completely. Wouldn't you much rather have no crash than be involved in a "safe crash? Whatever that may be. We discussed many other items such as the

Motorcycle Advisory Council, Distracted Drivers, the RPM Act and the Federal definition of a motorcycle.

All items were prioritized and will be watched to the extent that seems appropriate determined by the activity and impact. One thing that we are being very vigilant of is the inclusion of some of these issues in an Infrastructure Bill. Given the failure of the current administration to accomplish much so far, we are not too concerned, but you never know. They could sneak High Visibility Vests into a highway bill and we wouldn't see it if we aren't watching. And "yes" that is really something we are concerned about. There is a push from the NCSL (National Conference of State Legislatures) for them.

On the final evening when rewards were handed out, I was summoned again to the front to receive an award for ABATE of California for

successfully passing AB51, the Lane Splitting bill. I also received a Certificate of Appreciation for House of Representatives member Julia Brownley for co-sponsoring the House Resolution HR 318 regarding Anti-Profiling. I will be presenting that to her.

Next year the event will be held in Denver, Colorado. That is a short ride from California (compared to Virginia), so if you are an MRF member and interested in learning how to be more effective shaping the legislation that affects you as a rider please attend.

Feel free to go to the following link and sign up for MRF Alerts. It costs nothing, there are no ads sent to your email and it is a good way to keep informed of what is happening in Washington DC regarding your rights as a motorcyclist: <http://mrf.org/alerts/>
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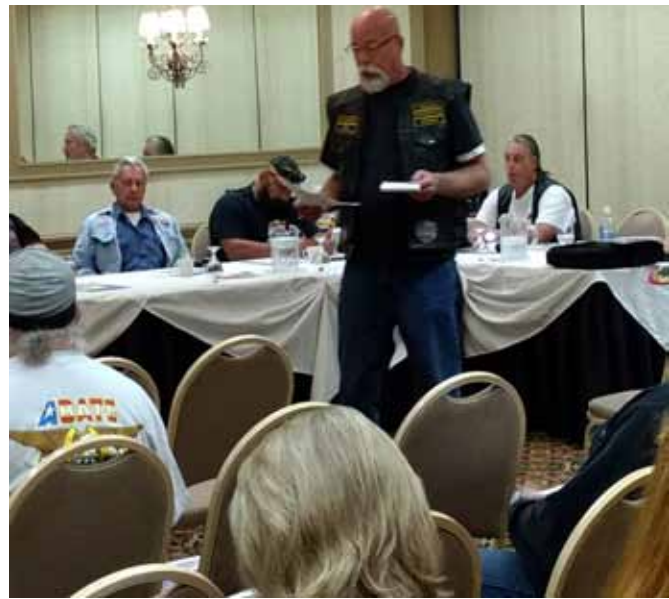
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FIRST TWIN PEAKS CASE GOES TO TRIAL IN WACO

Following more than two years of examining trials, hearings, motions to recuse judges and to disqualify prosecutors, appeals court rulings and a host of speedy trial demands, the first case in the Twin Peaks melee has finally gone to trial in Waco, Texas.

Jacob Carrizal, President of the Dallas chapter of the Bandidos, appears before Judge Matt Johnson of Waco's 54th State District Court on charges of directing the activities of a criminal street gang and two counts of engaging in organized criminal activity.

Carrizal is the first to stand trial of the 154 bikers indicted in the Twin Peaks shootout that left nine bikers dead and dozens injured while attending a Saturday, May 17, 2015 meeting of the Coalition of Clubs and Independents, an affiliation of motorcycle groups.

Many questions will hopefully be answered, at long last, including how much of the bloodshed was due to a biker turf war and how much resulted from law enforcement actions.

Authorities tightened security measures around the McLennan County Courthouse, including a metal fence around the 115-year old building, and black curtains over the windows, while attorneys have whittled down a jury pool from nearly 150 prospective jurors to 11 men and three women, with two serving as alternates.

"LOWEST FIGURES ON RECORD" FOR U.K. MOTORCYCLE FATALITIES

In a promising message for motorcyclists, statistics recently released by England's Department for Transport (DfT) show that U.K. motorcycle deaths are down by 13%, the lowest figure since records began in 2006, despite an overall increase in motorcycle traffic last year and amidst the highest total of overall road deaths since 2011.

In fact, statistics from the DfT's "Reported road casualties in Great Britain: 2016 annual report" reveal that motorcyclists were the only road user to see a decrease in fatalities from 2015-16, even though they rode 2% more to cover 2.8 billion miles.

AAA CLAIMS BABY BOOMERS AT HIGHER RISK ON A BIKE

A new report from AAA claims that the baby boomer generation that made motorcycles cool are now more likely to sustain life-threatening or fatal injuries in a crash than younger riders.

The organization, analyzing federal crash data from the

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), says older riders make up a disproportionate number of motorcycle fatalities. The mortality rate for riders who are 60 or older is more than four times the overall increase in motorcycle deaths for 2015-16, says AAA, with motorcycle fatalities rising 5.1% while deaths among older baby boomers increased 22%.

Important to note, the increase in overall motorcycle fatalities is partially the byproduct of a corresponding rise in the number of motorcycles on the road, increasing to 8.6 million motorcycles in 2015 compared with 8.4 million in 2014, according to Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) data cited by the organization.

LIFE SENTENCES PROPOSED FOR KILLER DRIVERS

U.K. drivers or riders convicted of causing death by dangerous driving could face life imprisonment if new Government proposals are adopted to increase maximum penalties.

The move follows a public consultation in which 70% of respondents believed that the maximum penalty for causing death by dangerous driving should be increased to life -- the top penalty that British law offers.

Under the same proposal, the crime of causing death by careless driving while under the influence of alcohol or drugs will also be increased to life. Currently, both offenses carry a maximum term of 14 years imprisonment, while the average sentence imposed is four years.

The Government also proposes the creation of a new offense of causing serious injury by careless driving, with a prison sentence up to five years, a measure supported by 90% of those surveyed.

The punishment for cases that involve mobile phones, street racing or speeding would carry a sentence equivalent to manslaughter.

THE FUTURE OF THE ENGINE IN QUESTION

Some world governments are already acting to curtail or eliminate gasoline-powered engines, and now the Governor of California, Jerry Brown, has announced that he is also considering ways to ban the sale of vehicles with internal combustion engines.

During a recent public meeting on U.S. Climate Alliance in New York, Brown stated; "We're doing something in the face of inaction."

"Eventually, Washington will join with us, because you can't deny science forever, you can't deny reality. And the reality is climate change is occurring."

With a zero-emissions mandate currently in place, California is one of the U.S. states that is fully committed to carrying out the objectives of the Paris Agreement -- which is an ambitious project from the United Nations aiming to tackle the problems caused global climate change.

Gov. Brown's announcement follows a similar diktat from the British and French Governments, reflecting plans to move to electrically-powered vehicles within the next few decades.

SELF-DRIVING CARS CLOSER TO HOME

The U.S. House of Representatives unanimously approved a bipartisan bill called the SELF-DRIVE act, the first of its kind to drive the unmanned market forward by putting federal regulators in charge and barring states from blocking autonomous vehicles or setting performance standards.

This legislation would supersede state-by-state rules, making it possible for autonomous testing to proceed on a level playing field across the U.S.

If it becomes law (which still requires it to pass the Senate), then it would make it possible for companies working on self-driving to field a lot more vehicles per year -- as many as 100,000 autonomous test cars annually, in fact.

The proposal would make it possible for car companies such as Ford, GM and others to bypass certain safety stan-

dards that currently apply to human piloted cars, including equipment and controls.

The Senate has also been working on its own self-driving bill, which may cover trucking as well.

CALIFORNIA MEASURE WILL ENSURE TRAFFIC LIGHTS DETECT CYCLES

Two-wheelers will be detected by all newly installed and replacement traffic signals throughout California, as recently passed Senate Bill 672 will "ensure that local transportation agencies will replace current traffic-actuated signals during the course of regular maintenance and upgrade cycles to adopt motorcycle-and bicycle-sensitive signals."

Existing law due to sunset provides that, in due course of maintaining or replacing traffic control devices, local governments ensure that the systems are set at a level to that can detect cyclists and motorcycles, thus this bill indefinitely extends these provisions without a specific mandate from Sacramento.

"Since I authored the original law ten years ago, this common sense measure has proven to be effective at making our roads safer," said Senator Jean Fuller (R-Bakersfield).

Signed by Governor Jerry Brown on October 3, 2017, SB 672 specifies that "Upon the first placement of a traffic-actuated signal or replacement of the loop detector of a traffic-actuated signal [responding to the presence of traffic detected by mechanical, visual, electrical, or other means], the traffic-actuated signal shall, to the extent feasible and in conformance with professional traffic engineering practice, be installed and maintained so as to detect lawful bicycle or motorcycle traffic on the roadway."

Advanced by ABATE of California, the motorcycle rights organization says of the legislation; "Thanks to Governor Brown for signing this permanent extension," stated Chairman of the Board Glenn Phillips, adding that "With over a Million Motorcyclists in our state, this legislation is imperative to protect riders on California roads."

NEW YORK MEASURE WOULD BAN CHILDREN FROM RIDING

Assembly Bill 8700 would prohibit children under the age of twelve from riding on a motorcycle. Introduced by Assemblymember Aileen M. Gunther (D-Dist.100), the bill states; "No person shall operate or ride a motorcycle on a public highway, road or street in this state with a child under the age of twelve on such motorcycle."

A8700 has been referred to the Assembly Transportation Committee.

HELP "LEMON LAW" PASS FOR RIDERS IN PENNSYLVANIA

ABATE of Pennsylvania has issued a Legislative Call To Action regarding House Bill 74, a bill introduced by Representative Pam Snyder that would include motorcycles in the current PA Automobile Lemon Law. HB 74 was introduced and referred to the House Consumer Affairs Committee. On June 12 the House Consumer Affairs Committee approved HB 74, and the measure is now facing consideration by the full House.

"Contact House of Representative members and ask them to support HB 74 to include motorcycles in the state's "Automobile Lemon Law," urges the state office of ABATE of PA. "You can call them, email them or visit them. But you have to do something if we are to have success in having HB 74 pass the House and be sent to the Senate for their consideration."

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MOTORCYCLE THEFTS ARE ON THE RISE

The annual theft report from the National Insurance Crime Bureau shows bike thefts rose 2% nationally across the U.S. in 2016, with a total of 46,467 motorcycles were reported stolen, up from 45,555 in 2015. For the second year in a row, California is the top state for stolen bikes, where 7,506 motorcycles were reported taken -- compared with 4,482 stolen in Florida and 3,692 in Texas, the next most troublesome territories. Vermont had only 24 motorcycle thefts in 2016, the least amount of all the states. New York was the most-plagued city, followed by San Diego, Las Vegas and Los Angeles, while Los Angeles County was the top county. The NICB study reveals that the bulk of motorcycle thefts predictably occur during the summer months, when more bikes are on the street. August was the top month, when almost twice as many motorcycles disappeared than in December or January. Some bikes are more popular targets than others or are simply easier to steal, and a disproportionate number are Japanese models top the theft list: Honda (9052 thefts), Yamaha (7,723), Suzuki (6,229), Kawasaki (5,221), Harley-Davidson (4,963). The recovery rate for stolen bikes isn't encouraging, according to the NICB report, with only 17,463 of the 46,467 motorcycles reported stolen in 2016 being returned to their owners, about a 40% nationwide rate of recovery. The recovery rate in Hawaii was highest at 94%, while the New York rate, at 19%, was the lowest in the nation. By brand, Honda owners had about twice as good a chance of getting their bikes back than owners of Ducatis, which had only a 29% chance of coming home. On a more positive note, bike thievery is down considerably -- about 30% -- from what it was a decade ago. PHILIPPINE GOVERNMENT SEEKS STRICT HELMET LAW ENFORCEMENT The Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG) in the Philippines is seeking to strengthen enforcement of the Mandatory Helmet Law (RA 10054) nationwide. In a Memorandum issued Sept 6 to all governors, mayors and others, the DILG directs local officials "to implement said (Helmet Law) Act, and ensure that the provisions are strictly complied with." Congressman Cesar V. Sarmiento directly addressed DILG during the department's budget hearing in Congress and said he observed that several motorbike riders and drivers forget to use their helmet resulting in road accidents and deaths. The Subject of the memo calls for the "Observance of the provisions of Republic Act No. 10054; an Act Mandating All Motorcycle Riders to Wear Standard Protective Motorcycle Helmets While Driving and Providing Penalties Therefor (sic)." QUOTABLE QUOTE: "A man wearing a helmet defending our country is more valuable than a man in a helmet defending a football."~ Seen on a T-Shirt

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We are getting a better start on sales this time by about 4 months, so we have plenty of time to make a worthy donation to the ABATE of California Mothership.

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Sporty's Rides

The next day I did not have to leave the room till mid-morning as the event in Grass Valley was not to start till noon. It was a really nice day, sunny, not too hot and the ride to hwy 49 was pleasant. I got off the hwy 49 exit and headed on to my destination, the Dew Drop Inn. This was going to be a fun afternoon, enjoying good music fellowship, a good burger and friends. I even ran into Glenn Phillips, ABATE Board of Directors' chairman and got several more bike raffle posters to put up around the state.

Craig Griswold, President of Local 52 and owner of Two Gunners Custom Iron in Pen Valley, put on a real nice event. The band played good tunes that I liked. I won a bike inner tube and rim bead cover and sold three bike raffle tickets. I said I would keep in touch and was off at 3:30 pm on the journey to Atascadero to spend the night at my brother's house.

The ride to my brother's house was long, about 340 miles. Interstate 80 to the I5 to the 41 at Kettleman City and then to 101. During the ride, lucky for me, it was not too windy. The bike was doing its thing running well for a sporty with over 109 thousand miles on the speedo. I wound up doing hwy 41 from Kettleman at 9 pm at night so it was kinda hairy. I arrived at my brother's house about 10:30 pm, tired but safe. The next morning ate breakfast and was checking my bike out when I discovered that my license plate had fallen off or it was stolen. My brother Jim suggested that I would have to get a police report at my home town police station to report that it was lost or stolen. That was the plate that Deacon gave me with "ABATE 1" on it. I had gone round and round with the DMV to get it transferred to me.

Well I packed up and left to go home. I was going to stop at several HD dealerships to put up bike raffle posters. However Atascadero HD, owned by Gary Bang, was not open any more. It was said that the area did not support an HD dealership, so it closed for good. Ok, so I figured that I would put up a poster at Santa Maria HD - wrong - the dealership was also closed up. So when I got to Ventura HD I figured I would put one there. No. They had to ask the manager who wasn't there, so no poster. Maybe later. Disappointed I figured I would stop at Simi Valley HD to put one there. Yes! They let me put a poster up. Good deal! Even sold a bike raffle ticket to a customer.

Before getting home I had a police report made out on the missing license plate at San Fernando PD. Monday went to the Auto Club to inquire about getting another "ABATE 1" plate for the bike. I was devastated when they said that they would not reissue the plate because someone could use the plate in the commission of a crime. Well that's when my wife, Renee, said that I can tell people that the plate is now in heaven on Deacon's beloved 49 Pan Head. So I had been just borrowing it.

Wednesday, October 27th was Local 19's meeting at 7 pm. After my AA meeting at noon I went to Laidlaw's HD and Pomona Valley HD and put bike raffle posters at their shops. Gotta cover the area so we can sell tickets or at least let them know we got tickets. Local 19's meeting was good as usual. I look forward to attending the Local 19 & Pomona Valley HD Toy run on December 3rd at Pomona Valley HD..

On the afternoon of September 30th I wound up at Bartels HD to put up a poster for the bike raffle. When I arrived, there was a lot of bikers from a club called the Gunslingers. It was fun. I sold a few bike raffle tickets. Stayed there for a few hours having a few cups of joe.

HOG Chapter meeting was on October 7th. We had a demonstration at the end by CHP Officer Danny. Today's lesson was doing a U turn. Several of the members practiced, including me. Gotta keep my head up when I make the turn. This is important stuff that makes an old dog like me learn some new safety tips. Thanks Officer Danny and the HOG Chapter for keeping us safe on the road.

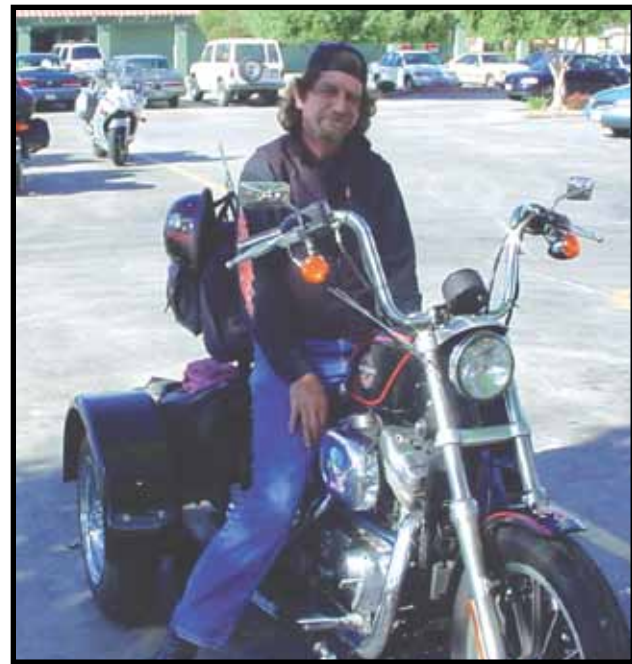
On October 8th I had breakfast with the Glendale HOG Chapter at the Burbank Elks Lodge. Glen Cheslock ABATE Local 1 member, was there for breakfast, too. Yummy food and I get to speak about the bike raffle and political stuff regarding the ABATE bills that we support. ABATE Local 1 has members at each HOG Chapter, so I bring Bailing Wires when it's a hard copy month, saves me on postage. I am considering going to their Christmas party this year.

October 14th was a very emotional day for me. This was the Deacon David Phillips' Memorial ride. It started out at Local 1's meeting place, the Elks Lodge in Tujunga. At least 50 folks from ABATE and his friends showed up with the Patriot Guard performing the ride that was their mission. I was asked to carry Deacon's urn on my bike. What a great honor. Ran into folks that I have not seen in a long time. What a touching ceremony and ride. We rode up the Angeles Crest hwy to a big open safe area where we had the final tribute to our founder David Deacon Phillips. Lady Kay spread the ashes and we all saluted Deacon. I have heavy emotions as I write this portion of my column. To all who were able to honor Deacon's memory by participating on the ride, a heartfelt thanks from this old political biker. Afterwards those that were so inclined rode to Newcomb's Ranch for lunch. After lunch we said our goodbyes and went home.

On October 15th ABATE Local 1 held their meeting at the Elks Lodge in Tujunga. Directly after the meeting we went to the Exile Riders' Round-Up at the Paramount Ranch in Agoura Hills. Riding with us were Vince Alvarez and his son, Robert Nadler. Robert owns an 883 sporty iron and rides pretty good for a new rider. He learned his lessons well from his dad - and that is a good thing in my book. Also riding with us was Local 1 member, Lonnie Bliss. We made it to the event by 10:45 am and met up with ABATE Local 3/13. Our booth was in the shade and I had a good time pushing our ABATE agenda. Hopefully my pitch worked and we might have some new business members. I had fun with the members of Local 3/13 who worked the booth - thanks for letting me be my political self.

To all ABATE members that make ABATE events, thanks for stepping up. Well I will close this month's Sporty Rides, be good to yourselves and keep your bike mechanically sound so you can travel down the road to the next ABATE adventure.

ABATE Scribe Sporty



by Sporty Milligan

Hi all! Once again my report on the mad-cap adventures of me, Sporty Milligan. It is written in the morning from my computer at my house in San Fernando where I have been a resident for the last 30 years.

When the last column ended, I had been planning to take a ride up to Grass Valley for Local 52's Burger event. I like the group that's in Local 52 and I had attended their Mystery rides in the past. So Friday morning, September 22nd I was packed up and ready to go. However before I left town I had to visit my hearing aid man, Brian, for my monthly check of the aids. I go once a month and get the devices checked out free of charge. I told Brian where I was headed and he said the weather would be nice for the trip - he was right. So I am on my way to Grass Valley via Sacramento. Before heading up the Grape Vine I stopped in Castaic to get fuel.

As you know Local 17 is doing a bike raffle and I brought along my batch of tickets. On the way up to Sacramento on hwy 99 I will be stopping at Bakersfield HD and Visalia HD to put up the bike raffle posters. I got to Bakersfield HD, got a cup of joe, and got permission to put up the flyer for the bike raffle. They were pretty nice about it. Gave them a Bailing Wire as well. So I am now on the road again.

I got to Visalia and tried to get fuel at a Shell station but it was packed. So I got fuel at the mom and pop station just off the fwy. Gas prices were reasonable. After getting gas I went to Visalia HD where I got permission to put up a poster for the bike raffle. Stopped at the rest stop just a few minutes from the dealership to pee and took a picture of the rest stop. Moving right along I made another stop at the rest stop just before Turlock.

I am not good when confused, so I always take hwy 4 to the I5 when I am in Stockton so I can get a straight shot into Sacramento. I had made arrangements to stay at a Motel 6 in Old Sacramento - the one off Richards and Jibboom. This is in the area where we have ABATE Board meetings at the La Quinta Inn. I got a handicap room. Finally after all that mayhem I am at the Motel 6. The handicap room has no carpet. It is an ok room and the accommodations are ok.

I decided to have dinner at Denny's not far from my motel. In front of Denny's there were young homeless men hanging around. That seems to be the case all over progressive California. During my dinner there was a raucous in the back part of the restaurant where they cook the meals. After they calmed things down I finished my dinner. Sleep was the order of the night back at my motel room.

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Motorcycle Safety Report

by Norm e. Newiger,
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Say What, Again?

This is about our ears and the guts just inside your skull. It's been brought up to me several times recently, and because I couldn't remember what I'd written before to further my conversations to such said persons, I've decided to do a re-write of this article from an earlier publication.

We all have ears or hearing devices to help us hear. Some need no hearing device while others might need one device or two. Some ears are extra-large and some are tiny, then there's the average size - I hope I'm in that category. Most ears are like side scoops on your head, some are like a baloney cut exhaust system slicked back, some stick out like air brakes on an F15 fighter jet! The point is that no matter what size or type of ears you have we are all subjected to noise pollution, especially when we ride! The most dominating noise I hear is my pipes (and the person riding next to me, as well) and the wind. The wind noise I hear then dominates the noise my pipes make when I hit a certain speed. The pipes sure make a sweet noise and I tolerate them easily, but the wind creeps up and the sweet sound is drowned out - bummer.

There are many styles of helmets, from novelties to high cut, full face, and whatever you can get away with - hmmm no helmets! Most helmets we choose don't offer any protection for your ears, but some offer a somewhat low rating protection (just because they cover your ears). We get certain types of helmets for various reasons, we want to look cool or we don't like the confinement. It doesn't matter because we all have different opinions anyway. Besides we want to look as cool as our bikes, right! Then there's the geek looking type of helmet that we would never be caught wearing. They are usually worn by them goldwingers.

The full face helmet probably offers you the best protection as far as the noise levels when you are riding. The only setback is that your head weighs five pounds more and grew in size 15% - this is not a fact, just an observation, it could be more depending on the size of your head. We should never rely on any helmet for ear protection, even though some offer more than others, it's still not an excuse to not have any type of protection.

Have you ever been to some type of motorcycle event where you see multitudes of bikers and their passengers that don't use any type of ear protection? The number that doesn't will surprise you. What could be their excuse for not having any type of ear protection? When you think about it there aren't that many choices to make to protect your hearing.

Check this out; the pipes on your bike are loud let's say, but when you pass the 35 miles per hour speed the wind noise starts dominating your ears. The speed is approximate, but if you need to confirm this then get on your bike and test it out. Your test may differ because not all of us have the same hearing and some may already have some hearing loss, but do this to see for yourself.

Think about this: You were riding your bike all day, maybe stopping here or there for some refreshments etc. and you decide to go home. You ride from let's say a gentle cruise then to breakneck speeds, the sensation of riding and the speed in which you travel has your adrenaline pumped, you get home in record time. You've left your buds behind eating your dust and you get into your house and it's all quiet, except the noise you now hear, is it a buzzing or ringing sound? It's not the phone or doorbell. Here's a hint - it's inside your skull, maybe on both sides.

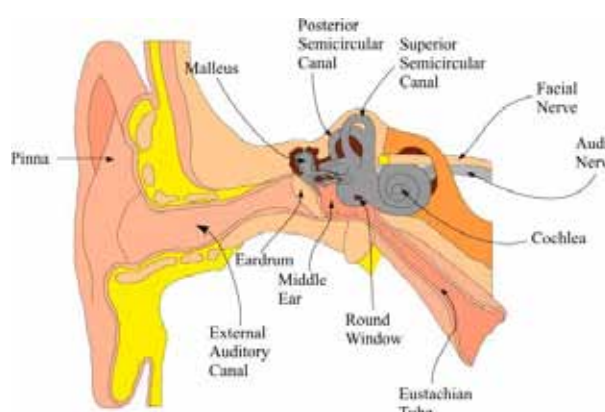
I would say with confidence that most people have



experienced this phenom; it's called TTS, Temporary Threshold Shift. This is a temporary shift in your hearing due to overexposure to loud noise. Has this happened to you before? I remember going to a rock concert in my youth and after enjoying the loud music I would be half deaf and my ears were ringing as I left. Do you remember doing this? It would eventually go away. I probably escaped damaging my ears permanently because I did it once in a great while, if I done this every other day I would probably be deaf right now! I would gamble on this and say we've all done this before. That effect is the same as riding without ear protection.

If you ride most of the time without any type of ear protection, you will start to see this Temporary Shift become a permanent one with the unpleasant side effect of a constant ringing or the good ole' buzzing of the ears. This condition is usually related to the beginning of hearing loss and I'll tell you like all the doctors would say, "It's not a good thing". For me I don't want a hearing aid just to hear my pipes blatin that sweet sound only a Harley makes, do you?

Is the ear just another organ in the body? Is your ear an organ that you're only concerned with, when it troubles you? We are just humans and we don't care about something unless it becomes a problem, i.e. tooth-ache, major gas, dysfunction and ear-ache! Check this out! You wear eye protection because you don't want to lose your eye or eyes, right? With all the cool looking shades you want to look just as cool as you can while riding your bike. God forbid, if you lose your eyesight, it makes it real hard to ride as far as I know. But you'll do whatever it takes to protect them, right? Just think about losing 50% of your hearing, maybe more or less. Hearing loss is permanent! Once it's gone you'll be wearing a hearing aid or you will be going around saying, "EH? Say what? I can't hear you! Speak louder!"



This is what we need to protect, both of them! Remember, constant exposure to loud noises is one of the leading causes of hearing loss. The tiny hair cells in the inner ear, the ones that convert sound to the electrical impulses that are sent via the auditory nerve to the brain, are permanently damaged by loud sounds, i.e. loud pipes, wind or the constant nagging

of you know who! One of the most important facts about hearing loss is that it is a gradual thing - excluding a freakish accident. As we get older and have been riding for years our hearing is not as good as it was in our youth. You will be increasing the volume level on your TV until eventually it's maxed out!

So you need protection? What you need is the good old fashion earplugs! There are many types of earplugs and the cost ranges from a few bucks to major bucks. If you're really desperate and need them you can use cigarette butts (I learned this in the Army!). I do recommend the one with the filters and make sure they are not still lit! First of all, you have the cheap foam ear plugs and I do mean they're cheap! They are okay, but it feels like I'm stuffing a marshmallow in my ears and they feel like they start working themselves out while riding. You can gravitate to the next level (around \$20 bucks) and buy nice earplugs from a music store, that's where I get mine. Being a hard core rocker at the time, my ears were ringing after every band practice and I couldn't hear myself think! I shopped until I found an earplug that lets you hear everything, but also protected your hearing.

The ones I use have a filter in them and they reduce the noise by more than 20%, allowing you to hear everything without compromising what you're hearing. The next level of earplugs are the silicone molded earplugs. I'm sure most of you have seen the multitudes of ads out there. I've seen these companies at events and they will make them for you on the spot as well (approximately \$ 30.00 and up). How cool is that? And for a few bucks more, probably a lot more, you can have molded in the ear monitor earplugs, the cream of the crop, especially if you have a killer stereo on your bike.

You have to be more than smart when you're wearing any type of ear protection. You can't relax thinking all is good because you've conquered one problem. Stuff happens! Maybe a certain noise you need to hear can prevent an accident or major motorcycle related problems. You don't want to notice all of a sudden, a trail of black smoke two miles long coming from your back end!

Do you know what NRR is? The answer is "Noise Reduction Rating". What does this mean? The answer is, all earplugs have a rating for reduction of noise to your ears. You have to figure out what works for you. You might have a wind shield or a faring setup or a full face helmet, so you might not want an earplug with a high rate of noise reduction. Shop around and get what's comfortable for you. Most companies that sell earplugs have websites that offer information about their products. Check all of them out and compare the information so you can make the right choice. You might end up buying a couple of sets before getting the ones you like. You can have multiple sets for different types of riding situations. It's good to have a backup set in case you lose yours.

There are many types of earplugs out there and the costs are practically free to big bucks. It's what you want that counts. Everyone is different, they may have their own philosophies about hearing loss etc. Being protected is what counts the most. You have to make a conscious effort in doing this, it should be as standard as putting on your sunglasses or helmet. If you think it's macho not wearing earplugs and or worried some people may laugh at you, well at least you'll be able to hear them! Just remember ear plugs help reduce the permanent effects of hearing loss.

To all of you older people, this is not a younger generation thing. The sooner you start protecting your ears, the longer you'll be able to hear more. It is better to be safe than sorry. I'll tell you, when you get older down the road and have used earplugs, you'll be happy when you don't have to say, "EH? Say what? Can you speak up? I'm hard of hearing!"

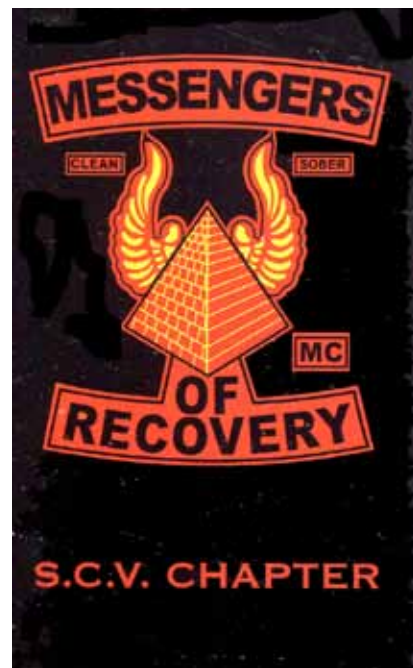
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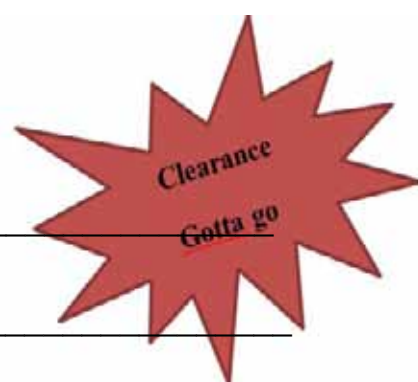
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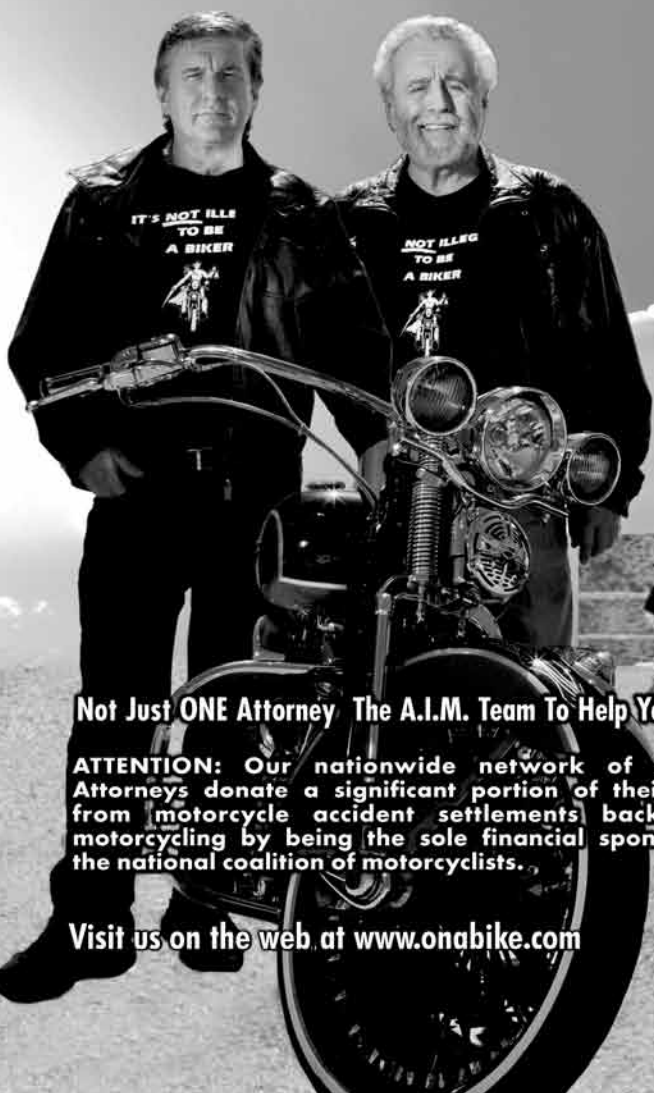
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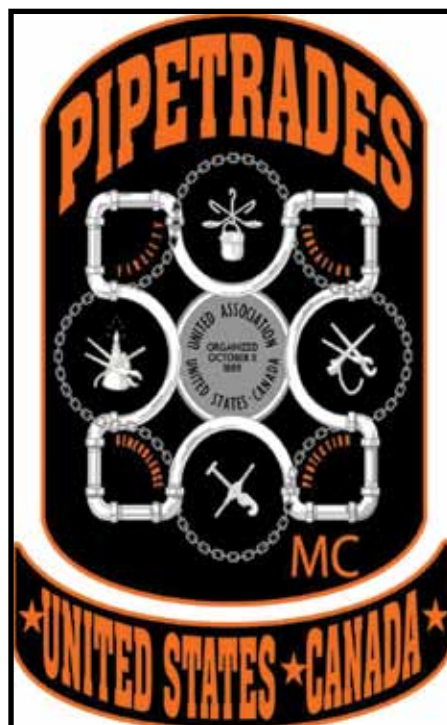
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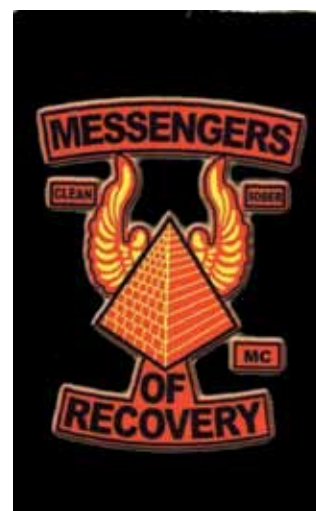


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818/ 361-8800 Tujunga, CA 91242

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4242 E Los Angeles Ave.
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Thousand Oaks Elks Lodge
805/587-6848 158 N Conejo School
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P O Box 501946 Pacific Beach
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91730 Ontario, CA 91729
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Sacramento 95821

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Riverside CA 92513 2979 Dexter Dr.
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Riverside, CA 92501

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Panighetti's
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Edward_A12@yahoo.com
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Kilroy16@yahoo.com Rusty's Pizza
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High Desert Local 44/47-Reg #13

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760/947-4700 Hesperia 92345

Grass Valley - Local#52-Reg#2

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