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- 1) Chapter/Committee Name
- 2) Upcoming Chapter/Committee Meetings/Time, Place
- 3) Upcoming Events; What, Where, When
- 4) Meeting Updates, Important News, Comments,

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Feel free to call me with questions, concerns, and inquiries 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm, or leave a message and I will return your call ASAP.

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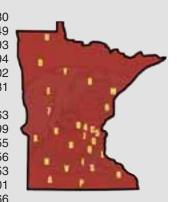
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Dear Fellow Motorcyclists:

American Bikers for Awareness, Training, and Education (A.B.A.T.E.) of Minnesota is a not for profit, grass roots organization that is committed to educating motorcyclists and the general public about motorcycling. A.B.A.T.E. members ride many different types and brands of motorcycles. We are all people with a common interest in a common activity. The fact that we share an interest in motorcycling is more important than the type of motorcycle we ride.

There are chapters of A.B.A.T.E. located throughout Minnesota. Each of these chapters is represented on the A.B.A.T.E. Board of Directors (B.O.D.). The B.O.D. also includes the A.B.A.T.E. state officers. The B.O.D. meets once each quarter to discuss the operation of the organization. In addition, each chapter holds a monthly meeting in their area of the state. A.B.A.T.E. is a member driven organization. Members are encouraged to participate in any of these meetings.

A.B.A.T.E. seeks to promote the positive aspects of motorcycling and strives to

protect the rights of motorcyclists by being involved in the local, state and national political process. Safer motorcycling, reducing accidents and fatalities can be best accomplished by education and training of both the motorcyclists and the general public, not necessarily through additional legislation.

Our ability to enjoy many freedoms while riding motorcycles in Minnesota is the direct result of the work done by motorcyclists in our state. These people have joined together to fight for our rights and freedoms.

The efforts of these people have made Minnesota a leader in motorcycle safety. We have one of the toughest licensing standards in the nation, the best public awareness programs, and the most comprehensive rider education programs in the nation. These efforts have helped reduce motorcycle accidents, injuries, and fatalities in spite of the growing number of licensed motorcyclists in Minnesota.

To continue these efforts we need your support and participation. Show

your commitment to protecting and preserving your rights as a motorcyclist in Minnesota. Participate in the meetings, rides, and the fundraising activities. You will be informed about the motorcycle activities in the state by receiving Road Noise, the A.B.A.T.E. monthly news publication. A.B.A.T.E. is fun, educational and a great way to meet people and make new friends with similar interests.

With your help, we can continue to promote the positive image of motorcyclists. If you want more information about A.B.A.T.E., please attend any of our meetings, meet other members, and ask questions.

We are pleased that you have decided your rights are worth protecting, that the positive aspects of motorcycling are worth promoting, that education is important, and that the cost of an A.B.A.T.E. membership is a small price to pay to preserve and promote these principles.

Members are the most important thing that A.B.A.T.E. has, so Thank You for becoming a member and we look forward to seeing you at our events.

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Hello everyone! It's disappointing to see all of our events getting cancelled. I share your frustration, and hope things return to somewhat normal soon. These are tough times for everyone. It's very difficult to predict what's going to happen next. With business's starting to open again, maybe we can start holding fundraisers again soon. I noticed that some chapters have managed to have meetings. It's good to hear that we have found ways to keep communicating with each other.

Cross your fingers - the July Board of Directors meeting, and A.B.A.T.E. U. are scheduled for July 17th-19 th at the Holiday Inn in Alexandria.

Let's get out there and do some riding! I miss spending time with all of you!

— Jane



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I hope all of you and your family are safe and well. When it hits close to home that's when it really sinks in on what is happening. My wife and family are doing well, but I have heard from some people I know that has been affected by the pandemic and I wish them the best!

As for A.B.A.T.E, we are moving along, holding ZOOM meetings. I know one chapter that held a meeting in person meeting in a member's shed (there was more space to spread out than in Wal-Mart). I feel it worked out well, if someone didn't feel safe to attend, it was streamed live on Facebook. It will be fun to see how creative everyone gets with events, bike runs, fund raisers, etc.

Moving forward it will be interesting on what we will be able to do for the rest of the summer. There's always one thing, we can ride and ride free, (thank you A.B.A.T.E.) & without a face mask (unlike Menards!).

If you can tell I'm getting a little fed up with all of this, just like all of you. . .but let's just make the best of it and ride free

— Till next time, Jim



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As I write this our state is still on "Stay At Home" orders from the Governor. Due to these orders and the COVID 19 virus, our annual conference, A.B.A.T.E. University, did not happen. Other chapter fundraisers also did not happen. My hope is that as you are reading this we are starting to get back to normal. But I think it will be a strange normal for a while.

Since we are not able to do normal fundraising, our finances are going to take a hit. The longer this goes on, the worse it will be. One of our members has pledged to donate \$100 per month until chapters can get back to fundraising and membership drives. What a great gesture! You have our thanks.

We can still ride motorcycles and keep the social distancing asked of us. So as you are out and about, let people know we still have membership options available online and any donations will be accepted.

Take care and stay safe.

- Mitch



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Like most meetings last month, our Task Force meeting was cancelled for May. We were going to have the "Stop the Bleed" class. First, the presenter cancelled due to concerns about the virus. Then our whole meeting was cancelled. Hopefully, the world will get back to normal someday and this class will be rescheduled.

I saw the "Stop the Bleed" class presented at the Meeting of the Minds in Denver. There was a lot of useful information that would be good to know if we happen upon an accident. Pressure on a wound or even a tourniquet to stop blood loss becomes very important as a person can bleed to death from losing half to two-thirds of their blood, which is two and a half to four liters.

We learned that it would be a good idea to carry a tourniquet and first aid kit with us as we ride. If a major artery is cut, every second counts in saving a life. While you can improvise a tourniquet, time would be saved if you had one ready to go in an emergency.

Task force members were contacted by e-mail to look over ideas for Motorcycle Impaired Campaign sent by our contracted advertising agency. We were asked to choose our favorite video campaign, favorite audio campaign, and our top four slogans out of over 20 to choose from. The one that impressed me most shows a crashed motorcycle and says,

"OUR SPORT CAN'T AFFORD TO LOSE ANOTHER RIDER."

As I am writing this, the last report that I have received is that six motorcycle crash fatalities have occurred this year. The last five crashes involved a rider negotiating a curve. Two riders were wearing helmets and four were not.

Our next meeting is scheduled for July 16th at Dakota County Technical College in Rosemount at 5:00 pm. Task Force members are to meet at 2:00 pm at the driving course parking lot for our cornering training event. Hopefully this event can take place.

Ride smart. Ride safe. Remember STUFF happens. Motorcycle accidents don't need to.

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Last month I reported we will not hold the annual NCOM convention scheduled for Mother's Day weekend in Indianapolis on the date scheduled. I stated it is still planned to hold the convention but the date will be moved and I do not have a firm date yet but I expect it will be the middle to

late August 2020.

Another event I had not considered is planned for August, 23, 2020 in Indianapolis, the 104th running of the Indianapolis 500 will take place. It would be hard to work around the Indy 500, meals, lodging, meeting facilities I am sure will all be in high demand so the date will move again.

It looks like the 2020 NCOM convention may be held in October or could possibly be canceled. Stay tuned I will keep you posted if I learn more.

Until then stay vigilant.

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Hello fellow bikers,

With the uncertainty of the world today, please contact me for any of your State Products needs. I am still working on the catalog and hope to have it finished shortly.

Also, I am willing to travel to your event, as scheduling permits, to set up some of the products currently available for purchase.

Name badges have been ordered and as soon as they are ready, I will pick them up and get them distributed as quickly as possible.

Business cards are becoming an issue as the print shops near me are closed currently due to COVID 19. As soon as I can get them ordered, I will, so I can get them out to you.



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The 2020 Minnesota legislative session adjourned on May 18th. Like everything else this year, COVID-19 caused a major disruption to the law-making process. All A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota sponsored bills were essentially put on the "back burner." I did try to get our motorcycle safety training protection bill attached to another transportation bill, but decided not to. There simply would not be enough time to fully describe why this legislation is so important. Without a thorough explanation, it faced a likely no vote in committee. It is better to stay alive and fight another day than to have your bill shot down for good. There is talk about bringing the senators and representatives back to St. Paul for a special session this summer. If this happens A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota will be back at the Capitol fighting hard for our issues.

For almost twenty years A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota has asked the Governor of Minnesota to proclaim May as Motorcycle Awareness Month. And for almost twenty years the Minnesota Governor has done so. Until this year. We submitted our request on March 3rd, seven weeks before May. On April 17th we received a notification from the governor's office stating "We are limited in our capacity and

unfortunately are unable to fulfill the request." Between receiving this on April 17th and writing this on May 10th the Governor has signed 19 proclamations, including one proclaiming April 24th to be Arbor Day in the State of Minnesota. I reached out to the Governor's office through many channels and have not received a response to date. I ask each and every one of you to contact the Governor's office by phone, email, or letter and politely ask why the Walz administration considers motorcycle safety less important than Arbor Day.

In April I received a check from my insurance company. Seems that with the greatly reduced miles travelled during the stay at home order, they also have greatly reduced claims to process. As a goodwill effort rebates were being issued for all automotive policies. We received a check for our two cars and one pick-up truck. But not our four motorcycles! I lodged a formal complaint with our insurance company asking that street motorcycles be included in the program. A short while later I received a letter stating that motorcycles could not be included because they based their findings on their Know Your Drive usage-based tracking program and they have no data for motorcycles.

Folks, this is another case of motorcycles not being considered an equal part of the road use mix. When this happens it has to be called to people's attention. If your insurance company is offering rebates that do not include street motorcycles, ask them why not. Let me know what you find out.

— Yours in freedom, Mack



Typically W2R patches and or rockers are given to Chapter Representatives at the quarterly Board of Directors meetings so they can take them to their chapter members and distribute them. Because we did not hold a Board meeting in April I mailed patches and rockers to members that had submitted requests for the first quarter 2020. If you submitted a request for a patch or rocker in this time frame and have not received it yet please notify me so I can try to find the problem. The following members have submitted copies of correspondence with legislators and will be receiving rockers and or patches in the mail.

- Shelly Martin Flatlanders, 2019 rocker
- Scannell Michelle E Central, 2020 rocker
- Leanne Chisholm Freedom First, 2020 rocker
- Jeff Beattie Freedom First, Patch & 2020 rocker
- Dawn Riba Lake, 2020 rocker
- Scott Steinhoff Tri County 2020 rocker
- Dale Peterson Up North, 2020 rocker
- Leann Stone Ruby Way West, 2020 rocker
- Joe Ruby Way West, Patch & 2020 rocker

This is an election year many legislators are seeking re-election and new candidates are working to be elected. These are all people we need to communicate with, reach out, and talk to them about our issues. If they don't understand why our issues are important explain it to them, then ask them for their support. A reminder take some time to be informed, know how you are you going to explain the importance of our issues. Know if the issue you are talking about is State or Federal? Are you talking to the correct legislator or candidate? Taking time to be informed is important if we want to convince these legislators or candidates that supporting our position is the right thing to do.

The next thing to do is to help elect people that support our position, volunteer to help them if you can and be sure to help them financially. Don't forget to use the Minnesota Political Contribution Refund Program. You can request a Political Contribution Refund if you contribute money to a qualified candidates for the Minnesota House, Minnesota Senate, Minnesota Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, Minnesota Secretary of State, Minnesota State Auditor or a qualified Political party. You can donate \$50.00 individually or \$100.00 husband and wife, submit a request for a refund and get your donation back. In 2020 it took me eighteen days from the time I submitted my donation refund request until the time I had it back. Please take advantage of this opportunity to help candidates you support and that support our issues get elected.

Instructions on how to submit a request for a W2R patch and or rocker can be found on the ABATE of MN web page under the Legislation tab. Candidates will ask you to vote for them and to help them get elected. Ask them for their support to help with our issues.

Thanks for all you do

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Hello all, are you out 'n about?

Did you get your tabs before the shutdown order? I did but have not had much of a chance to ride yet. Getting a new back tire tomorrow then I can get to riding!

Do you have any rides scheduled yet? Make sure to load your vest pockets and saddle bags with tri-folds or tear-offs! I just received a new shipment of tri-folds, I will bring to the July B.O.D. meeting. If you need some before then, let me know.

If you're interested in working the membership table in Algona or the State Rally, PLEASE contact me ASAP!

Keep on keepin' on!

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Upcoming Event(s): June 20th, American Legion, Litchfield, 10:00 am

Well what strange times we find ourselves in right now. I'm hoping and praying this will get back to normal and we can meet in person rather than doing ZOOM meetings, which have worked out as best as they can. I miss the camaraderie and hugs and handshakes that go along with live meetings and hanging out with my A.B.A.T.E. friends.

For right now there are NO plans to cancel our Rally. We have made some decisions regarding entertainment; as of this time there will be no national act on Saturday night. We will be having a local big-name act instead, with your suggestions for the remaining five spots. We will have posters available soon.

We ask again, if you got Sponsors for last year's Rally, please contact them again and see if they'll be willing to sponsor again this year. Please let them know if something happens with the Rally and it is canceled we will continue to run their ads throughout the year and honor the sponsorship for the 2021 A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota State Motorcycle Rally (fingers crossed this won't happen).

Advance tickets are available through the A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota website; please buy early and buy often. If you can't make the Rally, please buy an advance ticket and give it to a friend who has never come, or it's a great way to support the Rally in these times of uncertainty.

We will be having our next meeting at the Litchfield American Legion on Saturday, June 20th at 10:00 am. Please join us for this meeting and remember, if they don't know we can't grow.

As always, I can be reached at 19smoker69@gmail.com or (612) 703-5755.

The best form of social distancing is with two wheels between your legs.

— Til next month, thank you, SMOKER

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MRF REPORT

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Upcoming Event(s): September 24th-27th, Meeting of the Minds, Indianapolis, Indiana

Motorcycle Fatalities Decline for the Third Year

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) released the "Early Estimate of Motor Vehicle Traffic Fatalities in 2019," where the preliminary numbers show that motorcycle fatalities decreased 1% from 2018 to 2019. The early estimate from the Fatality Analysis Reporting System (FARS) shows that 36,120 people died on our nation's roadways in 2019. Overall, this represents a 1.2% decrease from 2018, while Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) increased by 0.9% during this time. Fatalities decreased in most major traffic safety categories: Drivers (down 3%),

Passengers (down 4%), Motorcyclists (down 1%), Pedestrians (down 2%), and Pedal cyclists (down 3%).

The Motorcycle Riders Foundation is continuing to engage with Congress about the priorities of motorcyclists for the next Highway authorization. The FAST Act is set to expire in 146 days, and as of today, neither chamber of Congress has drafted legislation for the next five-year authorization.

Membership

With COVID-19 happening this year, your MRF team will be working harder than ever to get members signed up. We need your help, with the lack of fundraisers, having new members is more important than ever. If you have it in your budget please consider joining.

The MRF needs you. Please consider signing up or renewing your membership today.

— Gary Goracke, MRF State Rep.

GAMBLING REPORT

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Well at least the Governor has allowed us to go out for joy rides and I hope everyone has been taking advantage of it.

As for A.B.A.T.E. Gambling this has been a real bummer. We have had to postpone two raffles, the A.B.A.T.E. U. Raffle and Freedom First Riders Bike Show 50/50 Raffle. We have the A.B.A.T.E. U. Raffle rescheduled for September 5th at the State Rally and at the time of this writing they have not announced a new date for the Freedom First Riders Bike Show.

I have understandably heard a few concerns regarding the postponement of the A.B.A.T.E. U. Raffle. Unfortunately, it is impossible to make a decision that makes everyone happy. With that in mind we had to look at what makes the most sense taking into consideration that we are a non-profit trying to raise funds to sustain our mission and give help to other worthy organizations and events. We also must be accountable to the Gambling Control Board and weigh in the unpredictability of COVID-19 with ever changing rules coming from St. Paul. So, a lot of thought and discussion went into choosing the new date. But if you do have any other feedback please let us know and if nothing else it will help us with future events.

Thanks to everyone who has sent me your sold tickets and please keep them coming. Remember, Chapter credit has been extended until August 1st.

- Dan Matzdorff

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No Report received.



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Upcoming Event(s): July 17th - 19th, Holiday Inn, Alexandria

There are a limited number of rooms available so book now. Consider bunking with a friend to save money and room. The deadline to book a room is June 26^{th} .

The A.B.A.T.E. University Committee will be having a couple meetings to improvise the schedule with the room availability.

Keep selling those raffle tickets. You have until August 1st to turn everything into Gambling for chapter credit. The drawing will be held at the State Rally!

Hope to see everyone there!!

- Stephanie



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Another Month has come and gone staying close to home for me being I am one of those people with Asthma and Autoimmune issues, but I have made sure the other half has been able to get out and social distance.

I keep reading reports from the Motorcycle Safety Center and on the news feeds about Motorcycle accidents and deaths. We are losing way too many family and friends to soon. People are still available to do pickups--just make a call and we will get someone out to get you.

Speaking of calls, if you do a pickup remember to send me an email with where, when, and how many to johlrogge@hotmail.com. It's just that easy.

Have a great day!

— Jodi





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Howdy Folks,

Praying you're getting along well in this crazy world right now. It's trying to snow as I'm writing this. Not a good day for outside activity. When the sun comes out life will get on as usual.

Keep a positive attitude and push forth. Words well spoken and very accurate. Even though the world is trying to shut our Freedoms down, Now is the time to push even Harder. Help out those around you if they need it. By standing Tall and Staying positive YOU can Keep the community Together. Shop Local and buy AMERICAN!! This is the best way we can help our local businesses right now.

Hope to see you all next month at the New A.B.A.T.E. U. in Alexandria.

— TAKE CARE and RIDE FREE, Edgar

BORDERLAND

Next Meeting(s):

TBA

Welcome new members, returning members, and renewed members!

Since I write this before our May ride-in meeting, I can't tell you what happened at it. But one thing I do know is that we set up our ride-in meeting schedule. These will be posted on Facebook or if you have any questions call: Prez - Lee Heaton at 218-689-4121.

That's about all I got this time and hopefully by now all businesses will be called essential.

Have a fun and safe riding season.

— Twistin' da Wick, Tim.

NORTH STAR

No Report Received

— Double G

FREEDOM FIRST RIDERS



Next Meeting(s):

June TBD – Check Facebook page for updates

Well it seems like all the fun stuff is cancelled so far. It is defiantly going to be an interesting summer. As you all know by now the bike show has been postponed. Hopefully when the Governor lifts the restrictions we can reschedule sometime this fall.

Keep tuned in with the Facebook page for updates.

That's all I have for now, stay safe out there and keep well. I don't need to lose any friends to the COVID-19 crap.

See you on the road, Expect the Unexpected.

HEART OF THE LAKES



Next Meeting(s):

June 14th, Matt and Lindsay Wedde's 46166 525th Ave, Perham, 5:00 PM

Upcoming Event(s):

Motorcycle training course is rescheduled to August 22nd @ MinState College, Detroit Lakes. July 17th-19th A.B.A.T.E. U. and Board of Directors A.B.A.T.E. U. Raffle will be at the State Rally.

Hello friends in freedom,

Well, as I write this today we are still not experiencing total freedom as we are still under the "shelter in place" directive. This thing is not over, but I hope by the time you read this we are back to getting around in a normal fashion.

There have been some real nice days for riding. I hope that you are able to get out and take advantage of the sunshine. I won't be out today, since it is snowing pretty hard as I write this. It will be gone

very quickly though I am sure.

It looks like A.B.A.T.E. U. is now moved to July 17th to the 19th. Let's pray things are normal again by then. One of my sons asked if we were still going on our yearly bike trip in August. I told him unless the places we would go are closed......YES. If they are... then we go elsewhere, but we go! Some things just need to be done.

We will see what this month brings us. Stay Strong, Stay Healthy, Ride Free!

— Til then....Little Bear

NORTHWEST

Next Meeting(s):

June 6th, Broadway Station, St. Hilaire, 11:00 AM July 11th, The Duce, Erskine, 11:00 AM

I would like to thank all that came out for the social distancing ditch pick, it needed it, Thanks.

Hopefully we can get back to normal. Hope you and your families are healthy.

— Ride safe, Greg

BIKE OF THE MONTH 2008 105th Anniversary Deluxe

This bike is my pride and joy. It was my first Harley and I bought it brand new. Every year I put a little more into it every winter.

But as they all say, "I'm almost done customizing," lol.



Darryl A. Holman • North Star Chapter





SOUTHEAST DISTRICT DIRECTOR

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Greetings Southeast District,

I didn't have a report last month on account I spaced it off with all the other stuff going on in the world.

I don't have much this month either. This pandemic is screwing up all our lives in different ways, but we will come out the other end with, hopefully, minimal changes to our routines.

An abbreviated A.B.A.T.E. U. will take place with the July B.O.D. meeting at the Holiday Inn in Alexandria.

Also, as of my writing this, our State Rally is still a go for Labor Day weekend.

Be careful out there, practice social safety, and ride, because that's what we do.

— Virgil

FLATLANDERS

Next Meeting(s):

June 27th, Tom Buffington's residence, 70994 325th Street, Hartland (9.6 miles west of Geneva, north side of the road), 1:00 pm

Greetings, Flatlanders.

Belated congratulations to the 2020-21 team of Chapter Officers. Thank you for offering your time and talents for the coming year!

Spring has sprung and temperatures have warmed enough to ride, but some things are missing.

Winter's isolation turned into COVID-19 isolation and brought one cancellation after another of the things we look forward to and plan for all winter. Seems like the only thing that started on time was road construction. A.B.A.T.E. U. was cancelled, and with it, postponement of the drawing for the raffle. The drawing will be held Labor Day weekend instead. Tickets are still available from the Chapter Gambling Manager and President, Dan Bye. Call Dan or come to a meeting to get yours before they're sold out.

May's Washout was cancelled. Schools were closed. Independence Day celebrations, county fairs, and so many other events have been cancelled. The list seems endless. One wonders about Sturgis. As of this writing, the July B.O.D. meeting and the State Rally are still on. Cross your fingers.

Fundraisers the Chapter would normally be planning are up in the air or out the window, so new ideas would be welcome.

Check out the Flatlanders Facebook page for the most current updates. Call president Dan Bye at (507) 475-3020 with comments, questions, or concerns.

Stay safe. United we stand.

— Linda Peak

MISSISSIPPI VALLEY

No Report Received

STRAIGHT RIVER

No Report Received

RIVER VALLEY



I'm starting this month's article with news of a dear member's mother passing. Today is Mother's Day. I can't help but think of Erin Fredricks and the Fredricks family this day. Erin Fredricks mother, Marlene Fredricks, passed away

peacefully at her home after a long battle with an illness. Marlene was an A.B.A.T.E. member for many years. Erin made the most difficult decision to bring her mom home from the hospital so she could take care of her full time in her final days. Many A.B.A.T.E. members did many things for Marlene to bring a smile to her face. It may have been a visit to her home, or some brought their bikes there for her to hear them from her bedroom one more time. I know Erin and the Fredricks family appreciated every kind word, every hug given and r eceived, as well as all the support through this difficult time. Marlene, may you forever ride with the angels. We all know here in earth Erin has earned her wings when it's her time to go.

Thank you to everyone who was able to attend and help out doing the ditch pick up.

As always, together we ride free.

— Nita

SOUTHEAST LC

Next Meeting(s):

June 14th, Bear Cave Park, Stewartville, 11:00 am (tentative) July 12th (TBD)

Hello Southeast LC

"Postponed," "cancelled," "no action taken." When will this crap come to an end? On the national scene, the Motorcyclist Profiling Resolution, HR 255, has seen no action since February. Here at the state level, HF 1995/SF 2177, Vehicle Platooning has seen no action taken since March.

The Chapter does have a tentative plan for an outdoor meeting at Bear Cave Park in Stewartville on June 14th at 11:00 am. The park is west of Strikers, on the south side of the road, past the cemetery.

June 14th is Flag Day, a fine day for A.B.A.T.E. freedom fighters to meet. Flag Day commemorates the adoption of the US flag by the Second Continental Congress in 1777. The day also marks the birthday of the United States Army. Congress adopted "the American continental army" on June 14th, 1775. So, the country had an army before it had a flag, or the army rallied around the flag to form a country? Either way, happy birthday to our army vets and always fly our flag proudly and respectfully.

We welcome 13 new members to the Chapter, and we thank the 15 members that renewed in March. That's the kind of action we're looking for!



to all the Nurses, Doctors,
Clerks, Truckers, Teachers,
Police/Fire Departments
and Everyone Else
that's out there holding us
together as we make it
through this difficult time!



TRI COUNTY



Next Meeting(s): June 4th, Memorial Park, Shakopee, 7:00 pm

Upcoming Event(s):

June 13th, Rider Training Course, Hennepin Technical College, Eden Prairie, 8:00 am-1:00 pm

Hello everybody, I hope this report makes it in on time. I've been having phone calendar reminder issues.

Upcoming Chapter meetings are at Cy's Bar and Grill, 500 Pine Street, Chaska. Fundraiser Committee meetings will start at 6:30 pm. Meetings start at 7:00 pm. Come out early and have some dinner. We meet in the back room by the pool tables. Fundraiser committee meetings will start at 6:30 pm.

I would like to thank those who fought the COVID-19 storm to make it to our last meeting...the show must go on.

Also, a shout out to Lake Chapter members and some of our own members who rode their own version of the Tri-County Carver Bike Run on the same

day it was supposed to take place. Kristy and I were honored that you chose our driveway as the last stop.
We took the opportunity to dig in a new sump line through the driveway instead of riding and glad you all stopped.

Hopefully by the time you are reading this we are all closer to being back to business as usual.

Get out and ride and stay vigilant.

— Big Jon







SOUTHWEST DISTRICT DIRECTOR

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This one will be rather short with not a lot going on, apart from everything getting cancelled by our Governor. The Passport booklets are ready if your Chapter has not talked about it get in

touch with me. There are stops throughout the state. If Chapters ask for them and sell them the money is split between the Chapters and the State. I know currently not all of them are open but a lot of them are still open for food to go. Which means you just call before you go. But eventually they will all open. They paid to be in this booklet to help A.B.A.T.E. Now we can help them by stopping by and supporting them.

— Jon Trashy Smith

ROLLING PRAIRIE

Next Meeting(s):

June 7th, Thunder Bar, Good Thunder, 1:00 pm committee meets, 2:00 pm monthly meeting July 3^{trd}, Meeting will follow cleanup of shelter at Voss Park

Upcoming Event(s):

July 3rd, Clean up Shelter at Voss Park beginning at 4:00 pm

July 4th, Summer Sizzler Fundraising Event, 11:00 am - ?

July 17th – 19th, A.B.A.T.E. University, Holiday Inn Alexandria

Greeting fellow bikers,

I trust this finds all of you enjoying the wonderful weather and getting plenty of miles on your bikes.

Since I don't know for sure if we've been able to have any of our events yet, I want to stress that when a Chapter has an event, we need everyone to show up and support the host chapter. Without your support the Chapters will not generate any income thus making it harder for the State to operate normally.

Please watch our Facebook page Rolling Prairie for

any changes to our meetings and or events. We will try to update as soon as possible when there is a change that needs to be passed along.

— Shiny side up, Giggles

GLACIAL RIDGE

Next Meeting(s):

June 6th, Rooney's Bar, Sedan, 6:00 pm July, No meeting August 1st, Rooney's Bar, Sedan, 6:00 pm

Upcoming Event(s):

July 17th – 19th, A.B.A.T.E. University, Holiday Inn Alexandria

Hello fellow riders. Here it is mid-summer already, and hopefully the Governor has lifted the lockdown, and this COVID-19 thing is over. Get out and ride, if not in a group, then by yourself. Enjoy the summer, it doesn't last long enough. Be safe. Keep your knees in the breeze.

— Hives



Remember when?

LAKE

Next Meeting(s): June 6th, VFW, Monticello, 3:00 pm

Upcoming Event(s):

June 6th, Ditch pick up, St. Bonifacius, 12:00 pm June 13th, Spring Run, watch online for details June 27th – 28th, Motorcycle Training, Brooklyn Park July 17th – 19th, A.B.A.T.E. University, Holiday Inn Alexandria

February 13th, 2021 Grounded Hogs fundraiser, Rockford Township Hall

We had another ZOOM meeting on May $3^{\rm rd}$. Thanks Smoker, for keeping us together. It was nice to visit, even if it was through the internet.

We talked about upcoming events in June and made plans for the Memorial Run. It's not hard to go for a ride and still social distance, so hopefully everything went well. We have lots to do in June, so get ready to be busy. It's about time!!

I don't have much else to say. We don't know if the bike shows this summer will still go on. I will let you know more next month.

Take care and be safe. Celebrate Flag Day on June 14th!

— Later, Mitch'n

WAY WEST

Next Meeting(s):

Due to COVID-19, to be determined yet. We are also looking for a place to have meetings.

Upcoming Events:

July 2nd – 5th, Algona Freedom Rally, Algona July 17th – 19th, A.B.A.T.E. University, Holiday Inn Alexandria

September 4th – 6th, A.B.A.T.E. of MN State Rally, Litchfield Fairgrounds, Litchfield

Greetings everyone!

Sorry I messed up last month getting the Road Noise article submitted. My laptop had some issues, so I used my phone and I thought I sent it off, but it was in my drafts. Oh well, here we are still hanging in there with this virus and still on quarantine as I write this. Hopefully, things will all open soon. At least we can ride!!!

Thank you to everyone who helped with the ditch pick up!

Get your rooms for A.B.A.T.E. U. in July! This was rescheduled from April. Our State Rally is coming up Labor Day weekend. This is always a great time. I hope to see you all there!

I MISS my biker community!!!! This COVID-19 virus has dampened a lot of meetings, fundraisers etc. It sure put things in perspective for me, as far as what I really appreciate in life, that is for sure. I hope you all have remained healthy throughout it all as well.

The Checkered Flag closed its doors for good, so if you see Rob and Nancy, please thank them for all their support for the Chapter that they have given us. Several places have contacted us about holding our meetings at their business, so expect a phone call or text from the President soon, if you haven't already. We will need to discuss and vote how, when and where our meetings will be.

That is all I got folks. Keep your knees in the breeze,

— LeAnn

SOUTH CENTRAL

Next Meeting(s):

June 3rd, Handlebar, Atwater, 7:00 pm July 8th, Cheers, Raymond, 7:00 pm August 5th, Red Goat, Watkins, 7:00 pm *Watch Facebook for location changes due to COVID-19*

Upcoming Event(s):

July 17th – 19th, A.B.A.T.E. University, Holiday Inn Alexandria

While you are reading this, I hope that the State is back open and we are on the road to getting back to normal. My hope is we are all out doing what we love the most and enjoying it with our family and friends. I hope by now we are on Passport Run rides and supporting all our stops and sponsors. Like other Chapters we have had to cancel some of our events and fundraisers. This will be a hard hit to both the Chapters and State accounts. We will recover, both financially and mentally as families do.

By now there should be information out about our annual Membership Fun Ride. A.B.A.T.E. U. has been rescheduled for July $17^{th} - 19^{th}$ at the Holiday Inn, Alexandria.

Please frequently visit the Chapters Facebook pages, the Road Noise and the A.B.A.T.E. of MN website for current and future events. Please try to get out and support as many A.B.A.T.E. fundraisers as possible. Ride Free, Ride Safe and Ride for Your Mental Stability -there is no better therapy than Wind Therapy. So, Kickstands Up and Throttles Down my A.B.A.T.E. family!!!

"After Every Storm There Is A Rainbow... Sometimes It Just Takes Longer to Appear"

— Dougie Cohen, Vice President



BUFFALO RIDGE

Next Meeting(s):

June 6th, Bitton's Roadhouse, Garvin, 2:00 pm

Upcoming Event(s):

July 17th – 19th, A.B.A.T.E. University, Holiday Inn Alexandria

Hello Fellow Riders,

Sadly, we have fallen on some very strange times and a lot of uncertainty of what is going to happen. We will attempt to have a meeting on Saturday, June 6th at Bitton's. If the bars are not open by then, we can have a short meeting in the parking lot. If you do not feel safe or comfortable coming out, it is not necessary and do not feel that you absolutely must.

If nothing else, try to enjoy the beautiful weather and get out and do some riding. It'll be the best way to get out of the house and enjoy the outdoors. All we can hope for is that things will start getting back to normal soon.

— Marie Trierweiler, Secretary

SOUTHWEST

Next Meeting(s):

Future meetings to be announced via phone or text, all depending on Governors ruling.

Upcoming Event(s):

July 17th – 19th, A.B.A.T.E. University, Holiday Inn Alexandria

Our meetings are on first Friday of every month, at The Rushmore Tavern in Rushmore. We have no burger nights or other events planned at this time. All of us are patiently and safely waiting for COVID-19 to move on out.

Stay well, stay safe. Keep our military and their families in your thoughts and prayers. Be kind to others, we are all struggling through this, the best we can to make it out alive and well. Ride Safe.

— BAM





NORTHEAST DISTRICT DIRECTOR

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I hope everyone is staying healthy and safe during this pandemic. This is going to take some time to adjust to the new norm.

I would like to start off by Thanking my Mentor, Dale Peterson, for his years of service to the NE District. Also, a BIG THANK YOU to all the new incoming and the outgoing officers for your service.

I was reluctant at first to answer the call. Anyone who knows me, I do not always have a filter. But my intentions are always from the heart. I wanted to start taking smaller steps in my volunteering role with A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota.

We all get a little bit nervous, when being asked to volunteer for something and that's OK. I have realized when someone approaches you, it means they see something in you. I would take it as a compliment, see how far and where it takes you in your next level of volunteering.

Someone once told me the meaning of the three E's. Encourage, Entertain and Enjoy. Your responsibilities as a Director are entertaining those chapters by encouraging them to enjoy why and what they do.

I want to leave a little famous quote by former President JFK, with my own added twist.

"And so, my fellow A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota members, ask not what A.B.A.T.E. can do you for you; ask what you can do for your chapter."

— Mickey

NORTH EAST

Next Meeting(s): Yet to be determined

Hello all.

Weather's finally starting to warm up. I saw a few bikes out the days before writing this!

Traffic has been much lighter due the stay at home order, yet the state is almost on the same pace for motorcycle accidents as last year. Most of the accidents were single vehicle and had to do with sand on the road or excessive speed. This goes to show that you can't let your guard down even in these times and rider education and training are as relevant now as

they've ever been.

We've had many events that have been cancelled due to the COVID-19 outbreak as have many other chapters. We will continue to keep chapter members as well as A.B.A.T.E. members statewide up to date on what our plans are and how we're doing through e-mail and Facebook updates.

Everyone stay safe and hopefully we'll weather these trying times and get back to normal life very soon.

— Thanks, Ed

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No Report Received

EAST CENTRAL

Next Meeting(s):

June 7th, American Legion, on the patio, St. Francis, 11:00 am

Upcoming Event(s):

June 14th, Advanced Motorcycle Safety course, Hennepin-Tech, Brooklyn Park June 26th-28th, Buddy Bear Brat Stand, Cub Foods, 12900 River Dale Drive NW, Coon Rapids July 25th, Summer Thunder Annual ride, American Legion, St. Francis, kickstands up @ 11:00 am

Hello Everyone!

Well, this pandemic is really putting a wrench in the start of Motorcycle season, right? Keeping fingers crossed for no more future bike event cancellations.

FYI: Buddy Bear deliveries are on hold until further notice. It's not a great way to start off last month's motorcycle awareness. Remember, the chapter is looking for someone to take over the Buddy Bear project for next year, Michelle Scannell will be happy to mentor the incoming person.

Jim and Kelly Pierson, have taken over chapter products and chapter fundraising. Please do not hesitate to contact them, they will have great new items for sale!

The Summer Thunder Annual ride, has pre-sale \$10.00 wristbands (Blue & Black) for the ride participants and/or to support the fundraiser. For more details look for the ad in the upcoming issues of Road Noise and the chapter's Facebook page.

There are still openings for the Buddy Bear Brat Stand and the Advanced Motorcycle Safety course has four spots. Please contact our Chapter President, Bob McChesney, by phone or email to participate.

Keep yourself up to date for any changes within the State and Chapter by using the State's website and our chapter emails /Facebook page.

Try to sign up a friend or someone new to motorcycling.

— E.C.V.P. Jim LaSpisa

UP NORTH

Next Meeting(s):

June 14th, Knuckleheads, Hill City, 4:00 pm July 12th, MJ's, Pengilly, 4:00 pm

Upcoming Event(s):

June 13th, Up North Membership Ride, Grand Rapids Eagles July 17th-18th, A.B.A.T.E. University B.O.D, Alexandria

Hello,

I hope everyone is doing well. Riding season is in full swing now so I hope you are getting miles on those rides. The officers have been thinking hard as to how to hold meetings with everything going on. We tried having one in May at the Pokegama Dam, but unfortunately only the officers showed up. I will take blame for this as we were still on shutdown and not everyone has Facebook to see that we did change where the meeting was held. At this time, we have talked with the owner of Knuckleheads in Hill City and he is welcoming us to have a meeting at their establishment whether it be inside or outside on the deck. We need to get back to some sort of normalcy, and having meetings is the easiest way. Our July meeting is in the same planning. The owners of MJ's have moved picnic tables to accommodate an outside meeting if necessary.

We are planning and scheduling our membership ride again this year. The ride will be June 13th. We will be leaving the Eagles in Grand Rapids. Registration starts at 11:00 am and kickstands up at noon. This is a great way to get new riders signed up as members of A.B.A.T.E. or to renew/extend your own membership.

As businesses reopen please remember those that support us. When out for a ride with your friends please stop into these establishments and thank them. It is going to take a while for them to get back on their feet and anything can help. Also remember that we will have to think outside the box when it comes to fundraising efforts for the Winter Fever Reliever. Some businesses may not be able to support in the same ways they have in years past. So, any support we can give them will be greatly appreciated.

Stay safe and hope to see you at the next meeting.

— Farmer Jay Pres.



SAND DUNES

Next Meeting(s):

June 6th, Tootsies Bar, Big Lake, 12:30 pm July 11th, Tootsies Bar, Big Lake, 12:30 pm August 8th, Tootsies Bar, Big Lake, 12:30 pm

Hello everyone,

We here at Sand Dunes Chapter have been busy doing our part in growing this chapter and getting new members. We have also been doing a lot of birthday parades for the kids in our community. Thanks to Central Chapter and BACCA members for spending time on these kids' birthday parades.

— Chuckles, Sgt @ Arms





CENTRAL

No Report Received

RIVER RIDERS

No Report Received





Jack Pine Riders May Awareness Ride - the first one of 2020.

JACK PINE RIDERS

Next Meeting(s):

June 21st, Rich's Bar, Sandstone, 2:00 pm July 12th, Shakedown site, 10:00 am August 16th, Horseshoe Lake Inn, Near McGregor, 10:00 am

September 20th, Village, Pine City, 2:00 pm October 18th, Doc's, Sturgeon Lake, 2:00 pm November 15th, Squirrel Cage, Willow River, 2:00 pm

December 20th, Cricket, Rock creek, 2:00 pm

Upcoming Event(s):

Due to COVID-19 regulations, all the following events are subject to change. Updates will be posted on Jack Pine Riders website and Facebook page.

July 2nd-4th, A.B.A.T.E. of Iowa Freedom Rally, Algona, Iowa

July 10th-12th, Jack Pine Riders Upper Kettle River Shakedown, Finlayson

Last call for any changes to our 15th Annual "Upper Kettle River Shakedown." Now is the time to bring your thoughts and ideas to the chapter meeting and discuss what you would like to see at this year's event. Bands for the 2020 event are Renna Starr, My Famous Friends, Bad Jack, Bjerke and the Ripsters,

and Chain Lightning. For more information look for the advertisement in this issue of Road Noise. Advance tickets are now available. For tickets or information call Duane at (320) 515-0232.

The A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota, A.B.A.T.E. "U" motorcycle raffle has been postponed due to the COVID-19 madness. The date of the drawing has yet to be determined. If you bought tickets, the tickets are still valid. For those that have not bought a raffle ticket there is still time. Call Bill at (651) 587-7625 or contact any J.P.R. officer.

Many of you have the ultimate in social distancing sitting right there in your garage. No doubt we are living through some crazy times. What better way to escape the daily "news" than to go for a ride? Almost every county park is open, gas stations are open, bars and restaurants serving carry out. It's still a beautiful world out there on the open road. Don't let the talking heads, all-star pundits, and media blues machine keep you from enjoying it.... Just ride.

For updated chapter/events and information, log on to our website: http://www.jackpineriders.org
Or check out the Jack Pine Riders Facebook page.

— Respectfully, The Grapevine jesus

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MEMBER OF THE MONTH

Ingrid Cohen South Central Chapter

Meet Ingrid Cohen. Ingrid has been a member of South Central Chapter since 2016. Ingrid brings her sparkling personality and contagious laugh to every chapter event. Ingrid can be seen at A.B.A.T.E. events throughout the state. She is not only the South Central Chapter Secretary, but the Co-chair for our Annual Spring Fling Bike show and the Co-chair for the A.B.A.T.E. Passport Run. Ingrid really gives her all, she keeps our chapter organized and informed . She dedicated a lot of time to enhancing the passport run booklet that will benefit all of A.B.A.T.E. Wait until you see it, she has done a nice job organizing it. It will knock your socks off! Ingrid is an excellent communicator, she sends a monthly email, keeps our Facebook page up-to-date and is on top of everything we do as a Chapter, we would not be able to operate without her support. In her spare time, Ingrid enjoys riding with her husband Dougie, South Central's Vice President.

Thank you Ingrid for everything you do for South Central and A.B.A.T.E. of MN, we appreciate you!



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Date	Chapter	Location	Time
3-Jun	South Central Chapter Meeting	Handlebars, Atwater	7:00 PM
4-Jun	Tri-County Chapter Meeting	Memorial Park, Shakopee	TBD
5-Jun	Southwest Chapter Meeting	Rushmore Tavern, Rushmore	
5-Jun	Northwest Chapter Meeting	Spring-ride, St. Hilaire	TBD
7-Jun	Rolling Prairie Chapter Meeting	The Thunder Bar, Good Thunder	1:00 PM
6-Jun	Buffalo Ridge Chapter Meeting	Bitton's Roadhouse	2:00 PM
6-Jun	Glacial Ridge Chapter Meeting	Rooney's Bar, Sedan	6:00 PM
6-Jun	Sand Dunes Chapter Meeting	Tootsies, Big Lake	12:30 PM
6-Jun	Northwest Chapter Meeting	Broadway Station, Erskin	11:00 AM
6-Jun	Lake Chapter Ditch Pick-up	St. Boni	12:00 PM
6-Jun	Lake Chapter Meeting	VFW, Monticello	3:00 PM
7-Jun	East Central Chapter Meeting	American Legion Patio, St.Francis	11:00 AM
7-Jun	Rolling Prairie Chapter Meeting	Thunder Bar in Good Thunder	1:00 pm Committee 2:00 pm Regular
7-Jun	Publication Meeting	via Phone	11:30 AM
9-Jun	Gambling Meeting Dates	Jim and Kristie's House Kimball	6:00 PM
9-Jun	Metro Chapter Meeting	VFW, Coon Rapids	7:00 PM
13-Jun	Up North Membership Ride	Eagles, Grand Rapids	11:00 AM
13-Jun	Straight River Chapter Meeting	Medford Muni, Medford	1:00 PM
13-Jun	Central Chapter - Annual Ride for Heroes	to benefit Upsala Fire Dept.	1,001141
13-Jun	Rider Training course	Hennepin Tech College, Eden Prairie	8 AM - 1 PM
13-Jun	Sand Dunes Chapter Meeting	Tootsies, Big Lake	12:30 PM
13-Jun	Lake Chapter	Spring Run, Watch on-line for Details	TBD
14-Jun	South East LC Chapter Meeting	Bear Cave Park, Stewartville	11:00 AM
14-Jun	Up North Chapter Meeting	Knuckleheads, Hill City	4:00 PM
14-Jun	Advanced Motorcycle Safety Course	Hennepin-Tech, Brooklyn Park	TBD
14-Jun	Heart of The Lakes Chapter Meeting	Matt and Lindsey's, 46166 525th Ave, Perham	5:00 PM
20-Jun	Rally Committee Meeting	American Legion, Litchfield	11:00 AM
21-Jun	Jack Pine Riders Chapter Meeting	Rich's Bar, Sandstone	2:00 PM
26-Jun	Buddy Bear Brat Stand	Cub Foods, 12900 Riverdale Dr	TBD
27.1		NW, Coon Rapids, MN	TDD
27-Jun	Freedom First Chapter Meeting	TBD Follow Facebook	TBD
27-Jun	Buddy Bear Brat Stand	Cub Foods, 12900 Riverdale Dr NW, Coon Rapids, MN	TBD
27-Jun	Motorcycle Training	Brooklyn Park	TBD
27-Jun	Flatlanders Chapter Meeting	Tom Buffington's, 70994 325th St, Hartford	1:00 PM
28-Jun	Buddy Bear Brat Stand	Cub Foods, 12900 Riverdale Dr NW, Coon Rapids, MN	TBD
28-Jun	Motorcycle Training	Brooklyn Park	TBD
3-Jul	Rolling Prairie Clean Up	Shelter at Voss Park - Meeting Will Follow Clean up	4:00 PM
4-Jul	Iowa ABATE Rally	Algona	
4-Jul	Rolling Prairie Summer Sizzler Fundraise		11:00 AM
8-Jul	South Central Chapter Meeting	Cheers, Raymond	7:00 PM
11-Jul	Sand Dunes Chapter Meeting	Tootsies, Big Lake	12:30 PM
11-Jul	Northwest Chapter Meeting	The Duce, Erskine	11:00 AM

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12-Jul	Jack Pine Riders Chapter Meeting	Shakedown Site	10:00 AM	
12-Jul	South East LC Chapter Meeting	TBD	TBD	
12-Jul	Up North Chapter Meeting	MJ's, Pengilly	4:00 PM	
17-Jul	A.B.A.T.E. University	Holiday Inn, Alexandria		
18-Jul	A.B.A.T.E. University	Holiday Inn, Alexandria		
19-Jul	A.B.A.T.E. University	Holiday Inn, Alexandria		
25 11	East Central -Summer Thunder Annual	American Legion Patio, St.Francis	11.00 AM	
25-Jul	Ride	Kickstands up	11:00 AM	
1-Aug	Glacial Ridge Chapter Meeting	Rooney's Bar, Sedan	6:00 PM	
5-Aug	South Central Chapter Meeting	Red Goat, Watkins	7:00 PM	
8-Aug	Sand Dunes Chapter Meeting	Tooties, Big Lake	12:30 PM	
16-Aug	Jack Pine Riders Chapter Meeting	Horseshoe Lake Inn, Near	10:00 AM	
		McGRegor	10:00 AM	
22-Aug	Motorcycle Training Course rescheduled	Detroit Lakes	TBD	



NEW & RENEWALS FOR APRIL 2020

BORDERLAND	Chris Hocking R	Kris KarpenR
Bruce BergR	Milner Hystad/Nancy Moncrief R	Aaron McVenes R
DUFFALO DID CE	Brian Johnson Becki Johnson R	Tyler / Amanda Palmquist R
BUFFALO RIDGE Richard/ Kim Louwagie R	Kevin Johnson/ Laurel McChesneyR	ROLLING PRAIRIE
Chuck / Rolly MullerR	Larry Showers/Pennie Johnson N	Bill BrownR
Mark/ Carol Oakland R	Ed / Sharon Sokol R	Thomas / Kari Duncan R
Doug /Jan Loft Pilgrim R	Bob Swenson R	Todd OlsonR
Bill / Janelle Wellnitz R	Rick / Patty Volk R	John /Deanna Ranniger R
•	•	Darrell/ Linda SchultzeR
CENTRAL	LAKE	Karen Steinberg R
Thomas Fry R	Jeremy / Tammie Black R	Todd / Tammy Westman R
Josh Jacobs/ Jessica Grace R	Shon Brossard	Keith WillardR
Dan KoskiR Raymond/	Gina Eshelman	SAND DUNES
Donna Mae LehmeierR	David A Kilts R	Becky KarelN
Dan NordmannR	Pete / Lori Klein R	Decky Rulei
Josh Schwinghammer Bethany . R	Paul Lauer R	SOUTH CENTRAL
Michael Terwey R	Tim Lyrek R	Brian / Dawn Gillman R
Kevin Westerhoff	Dan Matzdorff R	Steve Kuehl R
Brittany HeimN	George McGown	Brad / Michelle Latham R
FACT CENTED AT	Tyler / Lindsay Prescott R	Tad Lothert R
EAST CENTRAL Shellee Collins	Rod Quist R	Clarence / Judy Schmitz R Donnie Wellbrock R
Shelice Collins	Jerry / Āmy SmithR	Domine Wendrock
FLATLANDERS	METRO	SOUTHEAST LC
David Fodness R	Jennifer Crill R	Brandon Andrews R
Kipp / Christine Fuller R	Mark "Zoom" / Brenda Foss R	Gary Hudson R
Steve / Susan Hondl	Dondee (Dee) Glover/	Lynn Wagner R
John Krell	Ashlee Belisle R	
Charlie / Linda Schmidt R	Adam / Jamie Glover R	SOUTHWEST Pete (Fox) Koep P
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Summer Thunder Run Membership Prive

Saturday, July 25th, 2020

Kickstands Up at 11:00am for an approximate 125 mile cruise!

Box Lunch Included Start and End of ride to be in the parking lot of the St. Francis American Legion

MUST BE AN A.B.A.T.E. MEMBER TO RIDE!

COVID-19 PRECAUTIONS A MUST!

\$50 PRIZE FOR THE BEST MASK

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A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota 2020 State Motorcycle Rally Sponsorship Program

A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota (American Bikers for Awareness, Training, and Education), a not for profit motorcycle rights organization (501(c)4), is seeking sponsors for our 2020 State Rally, to be held September 4th-September 7th at the Meeker County Fairgrounds in Litchfield, MN.

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

There are five levels of Sponsorship:

Diamond Sponsorship

The Diamond sponsorship is just \$3,000

It includes:

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

Gold Sponsorship

The Gold Level Sponsorship is \$1,000

It includes:

- Medium signage in the bar and band hub location
- Your Company name and logo published in the Road Noise magazine
- Waiver of vendor fees to set up at the Rally
- Your company name and a half page ad in our Rally program
- Your company name listed on our website
- Six free weekend passes to the Rally to use or distribute as you please

Silver Sponsorship

The Silver Sponsorship is \$500

It includes:

- Signage in the bar and band hub location
- Your company name published in the Road Noise magazine
- Your company name and a quarter page ad in our Rally program
- Your company name listed on our website
- Four free weekend passes to the Rally to use or distribute as you please

Chrome Sponsorship

The Chrome Sponsorship is \$250

It includes:

- Signage in the bar and band hub location
- Your company name published in the Road Noise magazine
- Your company name and business card ad printed in our Rally program
- Your company name listed on our website
- Two free weekend passes to the Rally to use or distribute as you please

Copper Sponsorship

The Copper Sponsorship is \$100

It includes:

- Signage in the bar and band hub location
- Your company name published in the Road Noise magazine
- Your company name and business card ad printed in our Rally program
- Your company name listed on our website
- One free weekend pass to the Rally to use or distribute as you please

Although A.B.A.T.E. is a not for profit organization and contributions are not tax deductible, you may be able to deduct this investment in your company's advertising budget. Check with your tax professional.

Partnering with us will make the 2020 A.B.A.T.E. State Rally the biggest and best ever. A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota is 3,500 members strong and our goal for attendance at the 2020 Rally is 1,500+.

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

For more information, please contact:

Michelle Backlund at (763) 263-1532 Email: statetreasurer@abatemn.org

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

A.B.A.T.E. OF Minnesota 2020 State Rally Sponsorship

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If you don't receive your tickets by July 31st, 2020 contact Michelle Backlund

Visit our website at: www.abatemn.org

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- Admission: Gate Price \$25
 Advance Sale Ticket: \$20
- All tickets include camping. (RV \$35 extra, No Hookups)
- Day Pass Available.
 No Refunds. Rain or Shine. All donations to A.B.A.T.E. of Mn. are not tax deductible.

DIRECTIONS:

Near Finlayson, MN. From the I-35 Banning Junction (exit 195) turn west go 1/2 mile to Old Hwy 61. then turn north, go 1/2 mile to Leese Rd. "Watch for Signs"

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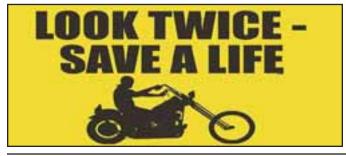
THE CLASSIFIED SECTION is open to all members of A.B.A.T.E. of MN. The ads are free of charge and run for a three month period.

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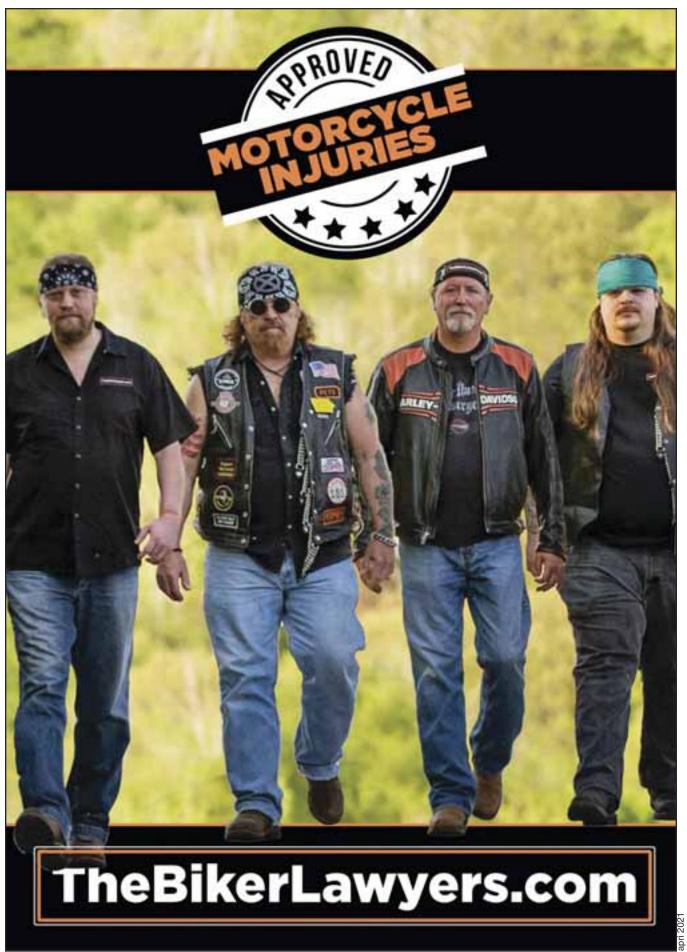
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