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Use the following basic outline:

- 1) Chapter/Committee Name
- 2) Next 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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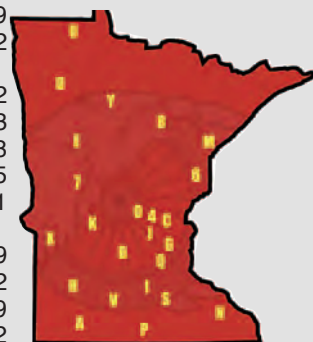
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Dear Fellow Motorcyclists:

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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What a wonderful weekend spent in Alexandria, MN for A.B.A.T.E. University! It was amazing having the opportunity to connect with past members who took on organizing A.B.A.T.E. of MN many years ago. Without them, we would not exist.

A huge thanks to everyone who stepped up at the last minute to help out. I truly appreciate you!

PLEASE - when contacting me for ANYTHING A.B.A.T.E. related - use my ZOHO email address!!! We have these email addresses for a reason. My personal email address is for personal messages, not business.

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Remember: Always greet new members - Support your Chapter officers - Work together - Share ideas - Have fun - Ride - Keep a watchful eye on your motorcycle rights!

Be safe and informed.

Jane



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Can you believe we're into June already? I hope you've got the dust dusted off your bike by now and are enjoying the nice dry, warm, weather.

I'm sure a lot of you are starting to get ready for the Freedom Rally in Iowa. Have you ever thought about taking a shift at the front gate and meeting a lot of people from other states at the Freedom Rally? Get ahold of April and I'm sure she will be able to set you up with a shift or two and maybe a free ticket for the following year. After the Freedom Rally, it's time to gear up

for our Rally. It's always a great time and where the people are great and you can always flip a coin to see what the weather is going to do. Hot and windy, cold, rainy and there was even a time we had to go to the high school because a tornado was coming through. But that's just the fun of it all.

And don't forget to sign up for a shift at our own Rally.

Also let's not forget about what's coming up in the future. (March 2026) Heartland STEAM is in Alexandria.

If you haven't become an MRF member yet, maybe it's time to join now and make it to Heartland Steam, when it's in our own backyard.

Till next time

Jim



WRITE TO RIDE

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By the time you read this the 2025 Regular session of the Minnesota Legislature will have ended. I don't know if they will convene a special session but time will tell. Here are some questions for you. Did items important to you get acted on? Did you lose any freedoms? Did they add any restrictions? Will you be able to take your motorcycle to your local shop for repair? Will the costs associated with riding a motorcycle increase due to state mandates? All of these are possibilities and if they do not happen this year, they may be in the future. Are you paying attention, staying involved, building relationships with your legislators? Are you doing your part?

I am still seeing some legislative letters come in, thank you. I am also happy to see some members have reached out to local officials to get motorcycle proclamations presented. Some Tri-County and Lake chapter members attended the Carver County commissioners meeting recently. Former Minnesota House member and current Chairman of the Carver County Commissioner presented a proclamation for motorcycle safety in Carver County. Thanks, Commissioner Workman.

My apologies, last month I wrote that write 2 Ride rockers and patches were distributed at A.B.A.T.E. U. I wrote that before I realized I could not find our 2025 rockers, my bad! We have members from many chapters waiting for their rockers and patches. Kari has been good enough to reorder rockers and as soon as I get them, I will get them to the appropriate chapters to distribute to our members. I am told they do not get here real fast after the order is placed.

The last item this month is to say that I will be heading to DC for Bikers in the Beltway. This will be the first time in a number of years I have made the trip to DC. For the most part I have been staying in contact with my congressman when he is back here in Minnesota. I have not had a great deal of success contacting our US Senators we will see if we do any better when we are at the Capitol.

I am also looking forward to an experience I have never had before. We have made reservations Wednesday morning to take the White House tour. Tours are typically available through our Congressional offices and need to be scheduled well in advance. In addition to this tour Vicki has made arrangements for us to tour the West Wing on Tuesday evening/night. Tours of the west wing are very difficult to get and typically need to be arranged through a connection with White House Staff. Of course, it goes without saying either of these tours could be cancelled on a moment's notice if a security or other issue arise. I am really looking forward to both tours so I hope they go on as planned. If so, I will give you a little more information next month. How cool is it that the people can get the opportunity to tour the office of our nation's leader, we are very fortunate to be in America.

That's all for now, are you thinking about some rider training in 2025?

— *frank*

To all, my MCHSI e mail address will be going away very soon. So If you are contacting me using that address, please change my contact information in your directory to frankdennisernt@gmail.com

Thank you!



STATE RALLY REPORT

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Next Meeting(s)

July 18th, B.O.D. Location, 8:00 pm

August 24th, Litchfield Fairground, Litchfield, 1:00 pm

The State Rally is only two months away, are you ready?

Entertainment:

Friday 7:00 – 9:00 pm Rouge Royal,
10:00 pm – 12:00 am The HYPE,

Saturday 7:00 – 9:00 pm B Nasty,
10:00 pm – 12:00 am Country Roads w/Cat Perkins,

Sunday 7:00 pm – 11:00 pm Hericane Alice.
We will need volunteers again this year to help set up the stage, please sign up for a shift.

Volunteers: Call or text Ingrid Cohen at (763) 516-7029 to sign up for volunteer shifts. Spots are still available in all categories. It will be the Vice President's responsibility to help make sure that their chapter's volunteers show up for their shifts. If your VP will not be available at the Rally, please provide Ingrid with the name of someone else who can do this for your Chapter. VPs can view the volunteer signup sheets at the Rally to know who is volunteering and when, from their Chapter.

Advanced Rally Tickets: your Chapter may be selling them or ordering them at the online store at abatemn.org. Online advanced tickets will be kept at will-call (registration) for you.

Rally Flyer & Sponsor Forms: your Chapter Rep has copies, or you can download them at abatemn.org from the Links/Resources tab under 2025 A.B.A.T.E. State Rally. Please help us get sponsors and hang up flyers!!

Chapter Campsite Decoration Contest: talk with your chapter about how to decorate your campsite, you can pick your own theme. Non-chapter judges will vote, and the winning Chapter receives a traveling trophy!

Chapter Social Hours: talk with your chapter about hosting a Chapter social hour at your campsite. You pick the times and the details. You could have games and donate your proceeds to A.B.A.T.E. If you want to have your social hour listed in the Rally program book, get your info to Tammie Black (763) 486-3827 by the July B.O.D.

Bike Wash Hours: \$10.00, will be Friday 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm, Saturday 11:00 am – 1:00 pm.

Memorial Program: A complete list of our fallen will be shared at the Bike Blessing-Memorial Ride. If you have names to share, please contact Gaida Trout at (320) 291-6975.

Rally Yearbook: talk with your chapter about who to nominate for your "most likely to" category that was received at A.B.A.T.E. U. Submit your Chapter nomination at the July B.O.D. or contact Gaida Trout at (320) 291-6975. At the Rally, rally goers can pick up a Rally yearbook at registration and go get signatures from the "most likely to" for each category. If you get all the names signed, turn in your yearbook at registration by Saturday 4:00 pm to be entered into a drawing to receive a trophy.

Registration: A new registration slip will be used at the registration table and will be available at the July B.O.D. You can even fill it out ahead of time if you want to and bring it to the registration table at the Rally.

Swap Meet: we will hold a Swap Meet on Saturday from 10:00 am – 5:00 pm. If you would like to be a Swap Meet vendor email Deb Kviz at debkviz@outlook.com.

Pageant: talk with your chapter about who to nominate for the Rally king and queen, turn in your nominations by August 15th to Deb Kviz at debkviz@outlook.com.

Campsites: Rally campsites are available on a first-come, first-serve basis. It is your Chapter's responsibility to rope off your Chapter campsite area if you want to save the same spots for your Chapter. Please mark only the size of area that you will need based on who is coming from your chapter, as now general attendance may increase every year. You can come as early as 3:00 pm on Sunday, August 24th to mark your campsites. Do not attempt to enter the fairgrounds before 3:00 pm that day. We need to meet our contract obligations before we can take over the fairgrounds.

Wood Sales: Wood will still be available for sale at \$10/ bundle. Any wood brought to the Rally must be certified wood.

We are looking for the following business vendors for the Rally, please email Deb Kviz at debkviz@outlook.com: Tattoo Vendor, Motorcycle Dealership Vendor, and Leather Sales.

We are excited to have rallygoers visit the different Chapters during these new Rally events, and to grow your A.B.A.T.E. family. A lot of these new ideas came from YOUR suggestions, so keep them coming and email them to rally@abatemn.org.

If you would like to be involved in the Rally meetings, but cannot attend, contact Ingrid Cohen at (763) 516-7029 to have you added to the Rally group chat on Facebook Messenger. An audio call is placed to the group chat five minutes before the meeting starts. See meeting times at the top of this article. All VPs are required to attend (in person or over messenger) or provide a replacement.

Thank you for helping to make the A.B.A.T.E. of MN State Rally great again!

— Dougie



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Delivery Information

Buddy Bears have all been delivered, and sorted, please count your bears when you get them to be sure you received number of bears ordered, remember to report the number of bears you received for state inventory. Please do this, we have one chapter that has three more bears than they were supposed to, I told them to give the bears to Frank and if you are short Frank will have them.

Receipt Forms

At the time of delivery, you will also be provided with "Buddy Bear Receipt Forms." It is crucial to keep these forms with your bears, as they will be necessary when you deliver the bears to their final destinations. These can be emailed to gambling-manager@abatemn.org and buddy-bear@abatemn.org. You will also notice that the emails are gambling and buddy bear as we are getting a new gambling person and at this time Dan and Angie will both get the information. Keep your original receipt for delivery, if needed later for confirmation of delivery.

Delinquent chapters

Chapters need to update their inventory of bears received. Overall total inventory is 210 bears with 942 bears not reported. North Star, Up North and Tri-county are all in compliance.

Ride safe travels and enjoy the rest of your summer.

— *Mama Bear*
aka Sharon Polman

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Hope you are getting out and enjoying the Minnesota weather. It is nice to be through with winter.

There are lots of Chapter fundraisers and rides going on and that brotherhood is what we are about.

Remember to list at the bottom of your posters; "Donations to A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota are not tax deductible". This is a requirement to keep our tax exempt status.

See you on the road, — *Mitch*



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Next Meeting(s):

July 17th, location TBD, 5:00 pm-7:00 pm

With the next task force meeting being held a week after this report's deadline, there isn't a whole lot to share. The exception to this is that I just received the first motorcycle crash fatality report for this year. So far there has been at least one fatality in every month of 2025. As of May 9th, there have been a total of eight fatalities this year. Please keep in mind that it is early in the season and these statistics will most likely paint a different picture further into the riding season. Four were wearing a helmet, three were not, while one is unknown. Two were single vehicle crashes and six were with another vehicle. Two had a valid endorsement or permit, while four were not legally allowed to operate a motorcycle. Two were in a rural area and the other six were in an urban environment.

The task force will be holding it's annual rider training event just before our July meeting. Stay safe out there folks and perhaps consider taking a rider training course. And remember, make your own choices and keep your head on a swivel.

— *Jon*



MEMBERSHIP & RETENTION

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We are over a month into Membership 2025. Do you have any specific requirements or needs? Please share your progress or ways in which I can provide support.

Let us talk about collaboration this month. What groups, organizations, riding clubs and motorcycle clubs are in your area? Building relationships with these entities can foster collaboration and attract new members. Multiple approaches can be employed to establish these relationships and many of these entities are A.B.A.T.E. friendly, with some even requiring their members to have A.B.A.T.E. memberships

1. Familiarize yourself with your audience to ensure appropriate respect. Identify who their contact person is?
2. Ask if their venue is available to host a meeting.
3. Ask if you can start, end, or stop during a Chapter run at their venue.
4. Invite them to your events/fundraisers. Offer advanced tickets to them.
5. Ask how you can support them.
- 6 If invited to their meetings/events. Go!
7. Invite them to your meetings.

Until Next Month Friends -
Together We Are Stronger!

— April



WAYS & MEANS REPORT

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Next Meeting(s):

June 29th, Ugly Bar, Montrose at 12:00 pm
Hope to see you there. Until then, happy riding.

— Kristy



MRF REPORT

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There have been call to actions that need your support.

Stop CARB Acts (Stop California From Advancing Regulatory Burden). The Clean Air Act was passed by Congress in 1970. This created a process that California can seek a waiver from the EPA to enact it's own emissions standards. Additionally other states are allowed to tie their emissions standards to those enacted by California.

Many in Congress think it's time for this special power to end. Bills have been introduced in the U.S House and U.S. Senate that would eliminate the waiver process and prevent from adapting California standards.

Congressional Review Act H.J. Res 87 and H.J. Res 88. These bills were crafted to help protect the internal combustion engine by overturning regulations allowing California to mandate more electric cars and trucks to sold in the state.

Repair Act 1379 and H.R. 1566. The repair Act ensures that vehicle owners and repair shops can access the information, software and tools needed to work on vehicles.

The Choice in Automobile Retail Sales (cars) Act 2025. This bill focuses on protecting the internal combustion engine. The bill prohibits using authority under the Clean Air Act to issue regulations that mandate the use of any specific technology or limit the availability of new motor vehicles based on the engine type. It also requires the EPA to update any regulations that result in the limited availability of new vehicles based on the engine.

This would overturn a 2024 EPA, if not revoked would cause about 56% of new vehicles sold between 2030 and 2032 to require electric motors.

We ask that you contact your Representatives and Legislature and ask them to support and cosponsor these call to actions. You can find these call to actions on the MRF webpage at www.mrf.org

— Shadow



NCOM LIASON

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40th Annual National Coalition of Motorcyclists Convention is taking place in Biloxi, Mississippi.

Bikers from across the country came together to learn and discuss issues related to motorcyclists. The groups represented included: Motorcycle Clubs, SMRO's (State Motorcycle Rights Organizations), the MRF (Motorcycle Riders Foundation), COIR (Coalition of Informed Riders), NCOM Legislative Task Force, Automotive Industry, and PROC (representing minorities).

We spent 2 days in sessions, learning about motorcycle issues across the United States. The group talked, listened and shared ideas. It's great to see all of these groups uniting. Together we can accomplish so much.

More to come next month. Today is the deadline for this report, and right now I need to get ready for the banquet.

Learn more about PROC at www.proconvention.com

— Jane



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The tote refills were given out at the B.O.D. A.B.A.T.E. University. If you did not get something in it, or need more, contact me. Trifolds for Memberships and for Young Riders can go in the mail, or if you are close to me, (Glenwood area) or want a ride, let me know. I am a good destination to ride to. I am doing the Constant Contact along with Mack, if you want to sign up for that email, marketing@abatemn.org.

Please use your Zoho emails, and if you need help getting into it, I can help. Check with your chapter member if they have the password. Every email has only one password. Please use the password sheet to put into the manual binder. It was given out at the B.O.D. That way the passwords and other important information can be passed to the next member.

Always make sure you have more than one Admin on your Facebook page with FULL access, so if someone leaves the Chapter for whatever reason, someone still has access to it to add another Admin.

— Harmony



EDUCATION

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Next Meeting (s):

June 17th, via Zoom, 6:00 pm

Warm weather has returned along with the beginning of rider training season. Do you have any plans to take a course this year? If you never have and you are apprehensive about it, perhaps consider watching one to witness what exercises are involved in taking the course. With passage of our budget, the District Rider Training funds are now available to use. The Southwest District has sent in their request with documentation, and I have been informed that the Northwest District will be using their DRT funds. I am just waiting on their documentation. It is a short one this time, I will catch you next month.

"Education is a better safeguard of liberty than a standing army."

— Jon

— Edward Everett

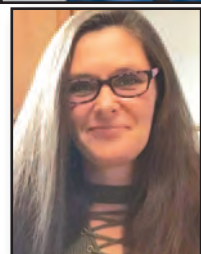


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I would like to thank everyone again for attending our History class at A.B.A.T.E U. And a huge shout out to Dick York, Rick Lewis, Jazz, Breezy, Coop and Jeanie Cooper, Bob and Sue Summer, Mack Backlund, Frank Ernst, and Jane Doyle for all making the trip to make this reunion a reality!

— Gaida Gator Trout



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Thank you to everyone for coming to A.B.A.T.E. U. Thank you to all the volunteers who helped put the classes on, helped with the Young Riders, helped with the fundraising, or helped behind the scenes with cleaning or helped getting things set up for the next event. This event can only work with volunteers helping and stepping up like that. We appreciate all of you!

Thank you to Tom Workman for joining us for the banquet dinner. Thank you to all our vendors this year! Next year if any vendor plans

on coming, they need to go through me months before so I can bring it to the committee, and we can make sure everyone has a decent spot to set up. There will be no last-minute show ups.

Thank you to Kent Verner for making and hauling the Human Foosball. If you would like to rent this for your event, please get a hold of Kent. Thank you, Jane Doyle, for making the jail. If you would like the panels for your event that can go on your pop-up tent please get a hold of Jane.

A big thank you to all our past and present State Coordinators/Founders of this great organization for making it to this event! This will be one to never forget!

Thank you,

— Stephanie



GAMBLING REPORT

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Hi everyone! I would like to introduce myself. I am Angie Morberg. I will be taking over the Gambling Committee starting June 1st. I am extremely excited to take over this role and cannot wait to watch all the Chapters fundraising and what creative ways to raise money for your Chapters.

I live in Deer River and belong to the Up North Chapter out of Grand Rapids. I have been a member since 2017 and a member of the North Star Chapter. I have four adult kids and a 13-year-old. I have two grandsons and five granddaughters with a baby due in July. I have worked at a dialysis clinic as an administrative assistant for the past three years. My hobbies include spending time with friends and family, riding motorcycles and going to Sturgis every year.

I look forward to working with all the Chapters during their fundraising efforts. I appreciate all the help and advice Dan has given me and wish him the best in the new chapter and adventures he takes on!

Ride safe and enjoy the wind therapy!

— Angie



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No Report Received



YOUNG RIDERS REPORT

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A.B.A.T.E. University was a lot of fun for our Young Riders that were able to make it. Dave "Breezy" K. came up from Colorado and he was the inspiration for this program back in the 90's. We just changed it and ramped it up a bit and now it's off and running. I am very thankful for him to have thought of this program, as it's going to help kids of all ages get outside, riding and/or exploring the state of Minnesota. Which brings me to our contest this year. We aren't just doing state parks, we are doing dirt bike tracks, camping, fishing, oddities in Minnesota, state parks, zoos, etc. We will have that figured out at our next meeting. I wanted to give a big thank you to Vickie for taking the time to talk to our Young Riders about human trafficking. Dark Knight for the tumblers, thank you. If your Young Rider was there, and didn't get one, please reach out. There were three on that list and that list was misplaced. Leann wants to get them to you.

I also did send out a list of the dirt bike tracks and would love to know when you can set up a Young Riders outing. I would like to have one chapter member from the chapters to be a Young Riders chair. Once you have one, can you let me know so I can email that person with information to bring back to the chapter? Thanks

A quick update on our 501(c)(3). We had to change the name to delete A.B.A.T.E. out of the name. Questions, contact Jon or Harmony.

Jane, Stephanie, Em, thank you for everything at A.B.A.T.E. U. And all the older kids who helped the younger ones, that was awesome, thank you.

Let's get every chapter to be a sponsor, if YOU want to be a sponsor, personally, we would love that.

— Harmony

CURRENT PROUD SUPPORTERS OF YOUNG RIDERS

Jane Doyle	June 2023 - May 2025
Jon Fernholz	June 2023 - Nov., 2025
Jim & Kristie Orn	June 2023 - May, 2025
Alex & Kelly Erickson	June 2023 - May 2025
Vicki & frank Ernst	June 2023 - May, 2026
Tri-County chapter A.B.A.T.E. of MN	June 2023 - May 2027
Lake chapter A.B.A.T.E. of MN	Jan . 2024 - Dec. 2025
Rolling Prairie chapter A.B.A.T.E. of MN	June 2024-May 2025
East Central chapter A.B.A.T.E. of MN	June 2024- May 2025
Bob & Toni McChesney	August 2023-July 2025
Jim & Kelly Pierson	December 2024-May 2032



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Next Meeting(s):

June 8th, Deb's place, Isanti, 1:00 pm
July 13th, Zoom Meeting, 11:00 am
August 10th, Zoom Meeting, 11:00 am

Hello Summer! As you get out and about remember to take a picture of the businesses you stop at, get some info, and as with all articles send to roadnoise@abatemn.org. We need everyone's help to fill up the featured articles files. A HUGE thank you to those that have been!

Please remember to put all grapevines and reports in the body of your email no attachments.

Our committee is also looking for more proof-readers if you are interested, contact me or any committee member with questions.

Thanks!

— Tammy

A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota Legislative Team — No Report

Notice:

My MCHSI email address will be going way very soon. Please change my contact information to:

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— frank



PRODUCTS REPORT

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Hello Biker Family,

Morgan and I are hitting the road, hopefully heading to a town near you. If you need something brought to the next B.O.D., now is the time to email me, so I have a chance to get it ordered if I do not already have it. I am placing the orders from A.B.A.T.E. University next week, so if you have something to add, now is the time.

If you need something for your next Chapter event, please email me and I will do my best to get it to you before your event.

As always, ride safely.

— Kari



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Just a couple of reminders, when sending in your membership forms, **make them Legible!** Include the zip codes, and if you received the reminder postcards, if all the information on it is correct, just slip it in an envelope along with your payment and send it back to the office.

If you are calling the office & don't get a reply, feel free to call me on my cell (507)-227-4498.

If you have questions about your membership cards please call or e-mail me at the office, not the Membership Chair. If you need tri-folds or tear offs then you contact April.

Keep on Keepin on!

— Shelly

BIKE OF THE MONTH

2024 Harley Tri Glide Emerald Green

114 ci, six speed,
six gallon tank.
Traded my '11 Ultra
Limited and my '09
Rocker C as down
payment. Had to
go to the dark side
as my leg would
not allow me to
ride two wheels any
longer, 55 years on
two wheels.



Kent Verner

**FLAG
DAY
JUNE 14**

Veteran of the Month

Derrell Jensen

Derrell enlisted in the Army in 1970 and was stationed in Fort Lewis, Washington for 2 years. He joined the Army Reserves in 1974. He was stationed out of St Cloud with an engineering unit. In 2005 Derrell was activated to deploy to Iraq for 15 months. He volunteered in 2006 for a second 15 month tour in Iraq. Derrell was then stationed at Ft Knox and retired out in 2008 as a Sergeant 1st Class. Derrell has been the Bruno American Legion Commander for the last seven years and Commander of the Cloverdale DAV Chapter for 4 yrs.

Derrell is also a volunteer driver for the DAV van program. He's been a member of JPR since 2011.



Thank You For Your Service!

"Home of the Free, Because of the Brave"



We provide a service to pick up and deliver people to and from A.B.A.T.E. events to keep them safe.

If you have an event coming up and need a sober cab, call Kyla Baker at (218) 407-4005

with your request, and we will do what we can.

If your chapter provides this service, please let us know, as we would like to know how many people,

we have helped keep off the highways and get them home safely. Riding season is approaching so if you intervene with someone who can not get to their destination safely, please let us know.



NORTHWEST DISTRICT Chapter Grapevines

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Howdy Folks,

Lane Filtering/ Splitting Comes into effect July 1st!

- Know the Difference!
- Lane Splitting is Riding between moving traffic going the same direction.
- Lane Filtering is Riding between lanes of stopped traffic.
- 25 MPH Max speed
- 15 MPH over speed of traffic

It can be done safely. Use extreme caution when doing this.

World Record Bike Ride For Stop Human Trafficking: Stearns County man, Scott Gottschalk, a 70 yr old MN Native, is embarking on a 120,000 mile motorcycle journey to raise awareness for sex trafficking. Check out his web page. He will be coming through a lot of MN country. I talked with him at the State Rally, and he is welcoming people to join in at any point and ride with him. His schedule is on his web page. Check it out. This has never been done before!!

Take the word of A.B.A.T.E. with you on your travels. It's unbelievable that some bikers don't even know we exist.

TAKE CARE and RIDE FREE — *Edgar*

BORDERLAND

Next Meeting(s):

June 8th, The Hobbo, Newfolden,
3:00 pm

July 13th, Springsteel Resort, Warroad,
3:00 pm

Hello Borderland!

So, we had a great A.B.A.T.E. U. this year!
Thanks to Stephanie and that committee for their great work. Borderland did not sell any winning raffle tickets. But we did sell 170 raffle tickets. This means we will have more money in our gambling account to give to charities. Our membership drive and fundraiser were a success and we welcome all new members! Our membership is down a little, so recruit, recruit, recruit!

'Til next time, have a great summer and ride safe!

— Twistin' da Wick, Tim

NORTHWEST

Next Meeting(s):

June 7th, Side Street Bar N Grill, Fertile, 11:00 am
(ride to follow)

July 19th, Mentor Municipal, Mentor, 11:00 am
(ride to follow)

We held our 36th annual Ride-In May 30th - June 1st. Thank you to all who came out and made it such a fun event.

HEART OF THE LAKES

No Report Received

FREEDOM FIRST RIDERS

Next Meeting(s):

June 21st, Garfield City Park, Garfield,
10:00 am

Greetings FFR! Thank you everyone
that have been able to attend our last
meetings and the ditch cleanup in May.

At the last meeting, there was a
discussion about a possible fundraiser
to help with membership, fun games,
and a ride! If you are interested in
being a part of this, please contact
Gary.

Be safe, Ride Safe out there!!

"Expect the Unexpected"



NORTH STAR

Next Meeting(s):

June 7th, TBD

Upcoming Event(s):

June 7th, Meet and Greet Memorial Ride,
Camaton Beach, Bemidji, TBD

North Star is getting busy. We have a Meet and
Greet Memorial Ride coming up on June 7th, at
Cameron Beach in Bemidji. We will be honoring
two of our original founding members, Ken
Donahue, Fred Whelan, and other members
including Dale Kuchenmeister, John Clausen, just
to name a few. A flyer will be sent to all chapters.

A.B.A.T.E. U. was a blast and good to see so many
people.

– Respectfully submitted
by Sharon Polman (MA)

**Publications Committee
needs help
proofreading
Contact any one on
the committee.**

Meet and Greet Save the date June 7th 2025

Meet and Greet with Fellow ABATE members
Family Friendly Event

Starts time: 11Am
Kickstand up by 2Pm
\$25.00 Each Biker
\$10.00 Riders
\$30.00 Car load

Lunch hot dogs + brats
Silent auction
games for kids and adults

Location: Cameron Park Bemidji
2609 Birchmont Dr NE, Bemidji, MN
56601

Benefit ride for the ABATE members we lost.
Ride in there memory



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SOUTHEAST DISTRICT Chapter Grapevines

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Greetings Southeast District,

It's good to be back as your SEDD and fulfilling my responsibilities to the best of my abilities. The summer has started out with some pretty serious crashes, including some of our own from the East Central Chapter. Please keep those folks in your thoughts as they recover from their injuries.

If you see the Flatlanders report this month, you'll read about the Mayor of Albert Lea proclaiming May as Motorcycle Awareness Month in Albert Lea. Jerry Collins, of the legislative team, and Keith Van Beek, of Bergdales HD and Albert Lea City Councilman were instrumental in getting this done, so if you see either one of these gentlemen, please tell them thank you for their efforts. (I was just there to get in the picture). Seeing as how the current Governor hasn't seen fit to help us out with proclaiming May as Motorcycle Awareness Month, go to your local councils and ask them to do it.

Ride safe. — *Virgil*

STRAIGHT RIVER

Riding Season is here!

Straight River started Spring with our Meet & Greet at L&M Bar & Grill in Dundas. Met many new people, signed up members and spread the word of what A.B.A.T.E. is all about.

Members headed to A.B.A.T.E. U in April. I will get a picture of the \$10,000 raffle winner when I see him at work.

On May 3rd members went to the Awareness Parade that River Valley puts on. Great turnout there also.

May 4th was the Blessing of The Bikes in Owatonna's Steele County Fairgrounds. Over 800 bikes in attendance. Another great start to the summer and enjoying all the riding. Straight River is taking their annual Memorial Day Ride to Conesville, IA. We are going camping for the weekend, taking some rides and seeing the sights. Leaving Owatonna on May 22nd and returning May 25th in time for the Owatonna Memorial Day Parade on May 26th, 9:30 am start time. Straight River will have A.B.A.T.E., Dial-A-Ride and Young Riders promoted in the parade.

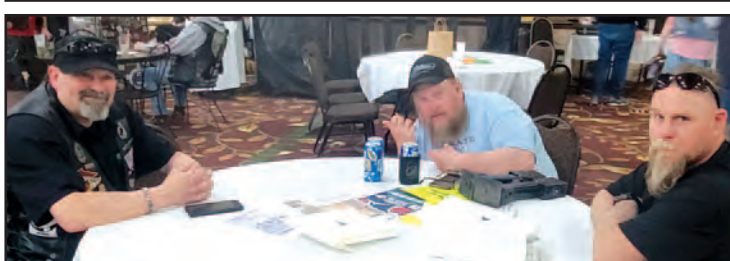
Straight Jackets are volunteering at the Faribault Harley Davidson Biker Breakfasts on June 21st and July 19th.

Keep an eye on Straight River Facebook for times and locations.,Everyone stay safe!

— Thanks, Mike Smith



More Straight River Photos on page 19



FLATLANDERS

Next Meeting(s):

June 7th, Jim and Dena Brech's home, 216 1st St. NW, New Richland, 3:00 pm
July, No Meeting

Hello from Flatlanders,

On April 28th, the City of Albert Lea signed into effect a proclamation to deem May as Motorcycle Safety and Awareness month (see photo right). We would like to extend our sincere gratitude to Jerry Collins, A.B.A.T.E. of MN Legislative team member, Flatlanders member and President of the Choppers MC and Keith Van Beek, City Councilman and Bergdale Harley Davidson employee for helping us to get this done. We would also like to thank Tony Roe, Flatlanders President and Virgil Legried, SE District Director for attending the meeting and accepting the proclamation. We know that there would have been more people present, but mother nature decided to whip up torrential rain and a tornado, so thank you to those that were there in spirit.

I hope that you have been able to get out and do some riding, visit other Chapters and enjoy life as we know it. I also hope that you have all been using the membership items that were given out



at A.B.A.T.E. U. I have personally dropped the "We were here" cards in many different places and have used some of the stickers. I truly hope this helps us to build our numbers and bring in younger people. If our membership continues to decrease, our organization may eventually become extinct, so carry trifold and membership cards with you. Talk to other riders or motorcycle enthusiasts about A.B.A.T.E. and share our story. The more we can get our name out, the better it is for all of us.

Always remember: Some call it an adventure, we call it life!

Peace, Love and Hugs.

Micheler Legried, State Secretary A.B.A.T.E of MN

TRI COUNTY

Next Meeting(s):

June 5th, Carver Beach Playground,
7:00 pm, Grill out starts at 6:30 pm
Bring a dish to pass.

Chef Bill will be grilling.

July 10th, Alex and Kelly Erickson's home, 20967 291st Ave, Belle Plaine, 7:00 pm. Details to come.

Upcoming event(s):

August 16th, 29th Annual Harley Heaven Memorial Motorcycle Ride. Leaves Pickled Pig in Jordan at noon. Donation. Rain or Shine. Proceeds to benefit RMH-Mpls Childrens Hospital, Jordan Outreach, and TriCo A.B.A.T.E.

A big thanks to all who attended the FUNdraiser Saturday May 3rd. We had approximately 100 people signup and counted about 80 motorcycles! The door prizes were

a hit... thanks Katie! The ride was gorgeous and the people appreciated the talks Jon had about biker issues! Well done Jon! The amount of work to put this ride on is appreciated by all...thank you all who helped in any way! Welcome to our **continued on page 21**



Carver Run Fun 2025

TRI COUNTY continued

new members who signed up that day... We welcome you! Visit our meetings and let's get to know you! New faces means new ideas!

Buddy Bears have arrived and I am fostering them until we find homes! Please check with your police, fire departments, ambulances, and hospitals if they'd like to receive any to help out children during stressful times and/or situations. We would deliver them with presentation during the summer months!

Congrats to our Chapter for winning the A.B.A.T.E. U Chapter Challenge and Biker Day plaques! Yay for us!

Because of the 4th of July holiday...our July meeting was moved out one week to July 10th to Alex and Kelly Erickson's home outside of Belle Plaine. More info to come on this.

Thank you to everyone who helped on the ditch pickup!

– Peace out, Ger



Southeast LC Winters Done Run April 12th!

SOUTHEAST LC

Next Meeting(s):

June 15th, VFW, Rochester, 11:30 am
July 20th, VFW, Rochester, 11:30 am
August 17th, VFW, Rochester, 11:30 am

Upcoming Event(s):

June 10th, Bike Night, Tilly's, Oronoco,
5:00 pm - 9:00 pm
July 8th, Bike Night, Tilly's, Oronoco,
5:00 pm - 8:00 pm
July 26th, The Shenanigans Ride and Party, Isle Bar
and Event Center, South of Spring Valley
August 12th, Bike Night, Tilly's, Oronoco,
5:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Happy Riding Season All:

It finally got here. I hope everyone has gotten a chance to get out and ride. It's been beautiful down here in the Southeast part of the state and there have been a lot of riders out enjoying the weather and the ride. We had our Summer's Done Ride on April 12th. We had a small turnout but had a beautiful day with a lot of laughs and fun with good friends. It was a great time.

We are gearing up for our Shenanigans Ride and Party afterward on July 26th at the Isle Bar and Event Center South of Spring Valley. Most of the planning is completed. There will be food, bike



games, and music. There is overnight camping available (no water or electrical hook-ups) for those who want to come early and stay until Sunday. Come and enjoy the weekend with us.

I have State Rally tickets available for those who want one. The State Rally is Labor Day Weekend in Litchfield. There's music, food vendors, bike games, a memorial ride, bike show as well as many other events to participate in or just to watch. Come and join the fun.

Don't forget our monthly meeting at the Rochester VFW at 11:30 on the third Sunday of the month. See above for specific dates. We have had great turnouts the past few months, let's continue that. Thank you to those who have renewed memberships and welcome to those who have just become new members. We look forward to seeing you.

– Until next month, safe riding, Terry



RIVER VALLEY

Next Meeting(s):

June 8th, Eagles Club, Mankato, 12:00 pm

July 13th, Eagles Club, Mankato, 12:00 pm

August 10th, Eagles Club, Mankato, 12:00 pm

Upcoming Event(s):

June 21st, Mike Berg & Fallen Friends Memorial Ride

Hello All!

Well it looks like the riding season is definitely here! Our Chapter started it out with our 35th Annual Motorcycle Awareness Parade and Fun Run! What a beautiful day we had with an awesome turnout in the neighborhood of 220 bikes in the parade! The Fun Run, following the parade, was also a success with enjoying time spent with old friends...and of course making new ones. Thank you all for participating and helping us getting others know that motorcycles are back

on the roads!!

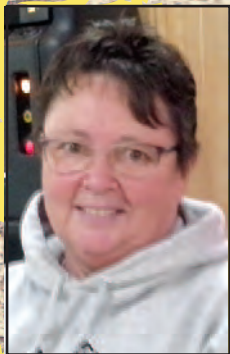
Another wonderful, and meaningful, event coming up this month, on June 21st, is our 6th Annual Mike Berg and Fallen Friends Memorial Ride! This is a fun ride to remind all to WATCH FOR MOTORCYCLES sharing our roads. This is a FREE ride with the FREE WILL DONATIONS going for our River Valley members taking their motorcycle training course. Watch for details on our River Valley Facebook page. Remember..."If we can save just one life..."!

Let's make this summer a great one by trying to attend as many other Chapter's events as we can! Get a group and ride to the events together...fun, fun, fun! And let's get to signing up new members! Encourage anyone you know to join A.B.A.T.E.!

Enjoy your summer and keep it shiny side up!

– Big D, President





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To all the Chapter Reps in the SW District, or for that matter all the Reps, did you remember to put the new contact pages in your manuals? Did you give your Chapter President their pages for their manual? Please keep these manuals current with all the pages you get at the B.O.D. meetings. Our next SW District meeting will be held on June 7th in Delano at Dave's Town Club, 138 River St N. The meeting will start at 1:45 and Lake Chapter meeting will follow our meeting. Any questions or concerns please feel free to reach out to me!

Until next time, *Shelly*

ROLLING PRAIRIE

Next Meeting(s):

June 7th, Dawg House, Sleepy Eye, 4:00 pm
July 26th, Thunder Bar, Good Thunder, 3:00 pm
September 5th, Knight's Lounge, Ormsby,
7:00 pm

Upcoming Event(s):

September 6th, Fallen Friends Memorial Ride,
Knight's Lounge, Ormsby, 10:00-11:30 am
Registration, 11:30 am Memorial Service,
12:00 pm Kickstands Up



Hello Biker family,

We want to thank everyone that came to our Summer Kickstart Ride last month. I hope you enjoyed the ride.

Next up we are planning our Fallen Friends Memorial Ride for September 6th leaving Knight's Lounge in Ormsby at 12 Noon. More information will be coming in the next couple of months so stay tuned.

Until next time Ride safe,

– Giggles





South Central Food Drive.

SOUTH CENTRAL

Next Meeting(s):

June 4th, Neisen's Bar, Biscay, 7:00 pm
 July 9th, Off Center, Clara City, 7:00 pm

Upcoming Event(s):

June 7th, South Central Burger Day, Mies
 Outland, Watkins
 June 21st, Fun Run Membership Drive,
 LaPlante's, Litchfield

We had another successful Food Drive for the Meeker County Food Shelf. We collected 386 pounds of food and \$480. Thank you to everyone who donated and worked the event!

Join us on June 7th for our Burger Day at Mies

SOUTHWEST

Next Meeting(s):

July, TBD

Dreams really do come true! Two tickets sold by SW Chapter members were winners. Can't win unless you play! Congrats to the winners! Great job with sales you made, members!

Keep our military and their families in your thoughts and prayers!

God Bless America

– BAM

Outland in Watkins. Come and check out their new Indian bikes. We will be serving burgers from 10:30am - 2:30pm.

On Saturday June 21st we have our Fun Run Membership Drive & Campout at The LaPlante's in Litchfield. Registration is \$20 at 10:30am, kickstands up at 12:00pm. We have fun games at each stop on the ride. Lunch and supper are provided. Bring your tent or camper and stay the night! Contact Jen Sommerfeld at 320-292-9219 for questions or to donate a door prize. See flyer in this Road Noise for more details. We hope to see you there!

Keep the breeze between your knees!

– Ingrid

BUFFALO RIDGE

Continue to watch Facebook for our meeting times, as we are now meeting "as needed".



LAKE

Next Meeting(s):

June 7th, Dave's Town Club, Delano,
3:00 pm
July 12th, Airport Marine and Storage,
Pequot Lakes, 3:00 pm
July 26th, (Technically our August meeting),
TBD, 3:00 pm
September 6th, TBD 3:00 pm
October 4th, TBD, 3:00 pm
November 1st, TBD, 3:00 pm

Our May meeting was held in conjunction with our ditch pickup at Missile Park in St. Bonifacius. Thank you to everyone who helped at the ditch pickup and attended the meeting. We had the privilege of attending the Carver Run in support of Tri-County. We had an excellent time. Thank you, Tri-County, for hosting us.

We started nominations for our Yearbook best submission. We got Best Dressed. We will be finalizing this and our Chapter Rally King and Queen at our June meeting.

Membership 2025 has begun. Now is the time to start bringing guests to meetings to earn the state membership patch, and to sign up new members for our chapter to earn \$500. We have membership events coming up, including Bike Nights at Cycle Gear in Maple Grove on the second Tuesday of every month. Stop by and say hi. If you would like to participate let a chapter officer know.

Advanced rally tickets, as well as raffle tickets, are now available for purchase. We will have them available at upcoming meetings and events or contact Chapter Vice President, Jim Kosse. Our chapter has/had great leaders, mentors, and members who have supported motorcycle rights over the years. Our Memorial Run was May 24th. This is a ride we hold near and dear to our hearts, a time when we can remember those leaders, mentors, and members who paved the way to fight for our freedoms.

While this is a not a Lake Chapter event, a Friends of Dale Run is organized for June 14th for Dale Morin who is an A.B.A.T.E. of MN member. Dale is a current Lake Chapter member where he has served the chapter in multiple roles for multiple years. Dale has also been/and is a member of other A.B.A.T.E. of MN chapters. Dale has been battling with significant health concerns for several years. Dale is finding himself needing to



On the Tri-County Run.



Ditch Pickup Day.



Out and about with the Clean and Sober riders.

begin the process of relocating to assisted living. During this time of great financial insecurity this fundraiser is designed to ease that burden for him. Details will follow regarding the run so please watch the Road Noise and Facebook for that information. In addition, donations may also be given to any Chapter Officer who can forward them to The Friends of Dale Run Committee.

Until next month my friends- Ride Free

– April

WAY WEST

Next Meeting(s):

June 29th, Watson Sag Park, Watson,

12:00 pm

July 27th, Woodlake Park, Woodlake,

12:00 pm

August 31st, State Rally, Litchfield

Upcoming Event(s):

August 16th, Way West Fundraiser, Madison (Sober ride to area nursing homes and the Veterans Center, silent auction, food and live music by Crimson Edge)

Labor Day Weekend, State Rally, Litchfield.

Greetings All,

I hope this reaches you all in good health. The chapter had a successful Easter egg hunt over Easter weekend. Kids had a blast.

REMINDER: Our meetings have changed to our summer schedule to Sundays at noon. We are traveling to various parks. You will no longer get reminders through the call-them- all, so keep that in mind.

With the lack of rain, be mindful of sand still on the road and of course road construction. I pray you all have a safe riding season. Keep your head on a swivel.

There are many chapter events coming up to attend!

We hope to see you at the upcoming meetings. We have a lot coming up with our Fundraiser on August 16th and putting on the games at the State Rally. One or two can't make this happen. We need all of you to make it a success.

Now get out there and ride, write your legislative team!

Keep your knees in the breeze



WAY WEST CHAPTER





Breezy presenting Charlee her Young Riders winnings for the State Park Passport Contest.



Glacial Ridge Chapter

GLACIAL RIDGE

Next Meeting(s):

July 12th, TBD

Upcoming Event(s):

June 7th, Southwest District Meeting,
Daves Town Club, Delano, 1:45 pm
July 2nd-5th, Freedom Rally, Algona, IA

We are planning a few BBQ's to gain membership, and rides randomly. If you check out the Facebook page, there will be information on there for our impromptu rides. We aren't doing anything that is planned, as a lot of our members are taking long trips this summer. I know we're going to see the trolls in Detroit Lakes, Duffy's Run, camping for the July B.O.D., and the North Shore.

Everyone be safe out there,

– Harmony



Membership table at Expo in Glenwood.



NORTHEAST DISTRICT Chapter Grapevines

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Hello all! I first want to thank all the NE Chapters for electing me to my third term as Director. I am honored to support the seven chapters to the best of my ability. Second, I want to thank all the outgoing officers for their service this last year and to all the officers that were either elected or re-elected. It is an important job that must be done to improve and extend the future of this organization. I just returned from an EPIC A.B.A.T.E. U. If you were not able to attend, please, please mark your date books for next year's event. We are also starting the groundwork for 2026 Heartland STEAM. I am always available for your questions and concerns by text, message or phone. Let's ride lots and be safe.

— Pedro

JACK PINE RIDERS

Next Meeting(s):

June 15th, Squirrel Cage, Willow River, 1:00 pm
July 20th, Cricket Bar, Rock Creek, 1:00 pm
August 17th, Nickerson Tavern, Nickerson, 1:00 pm
September 21st, Outback Saloon & Grill,
Stanchfield, 1:00 pm
October 19th, Endzone Bar & Grill, Rutledge,
1:00 pm
November 16th, Lakeside Pub (Formerly, The
Floppy Crappie), Pine City, 1:00 pm
December 21st, Buffalo Tracks, Banning Junction,
1:00 pm

Upcoming Event(s):

June 19th - 22nd, A.B.A.T.E. of Wisconsin "Summer
Hummer," Greenwood, Wisconsin
July 2nd - 5th, A.B.A.T.E. of Iowa "Freedom Rally,"
Algona, Iowa
July 11th - 12th, Jack Pine Riders 19th Annual "Upper
Kettle River Shakedown", Finlayson
August 1st - 11th, 85th Annual Sturgis Rally,
Sturgis, South Dakota

We are looking forward to seeing you all at the 19th Annual Upper Kettle River Shakedown, featuring live music, camping, vendors, bike games, human games, auction, bonfires nightly, memorial ride, and more. Check this issue of Road Noise for the poster. Quick shout out to all our members to help with repairs, updates, clean up,

and set up to our U.K.R.S. music trailer/stage and event grounds in general. Please attend and lend a hand. The more hands the quicker/easier we can be done. Show up early and stay late if possible. Beer and refreshments available for those that help. Posters and advance tickets are available. Now is good time to get your sponsorships in.

The next roadside cleanup will be in September. Chapter meeting to follow highway clean up. The last cleanup had a great turn out. Thank you to all who helped with this worthwhile endeavor.

Keep in mind, you do not need to be a Jack Pine Riders member to attend any J.P.R. event. Members are encouraged to attend. And better yet, members are encouraged to bring a friend. Non-members are encouraged to stop by and see what we are all about.

For more events, check the Road Noise calendar of events. Also be sure to check your sister chapter grapevines for more events. For updated chapter events and information, check out the Jack Pine Riders Facebook page.

— Respectfully, The Grapevine Jesus

SAND DUNES
No Report Received

EAST CENTRAL

Next Meeting(s):

June 1st, American Legion, St. Francis 10:30 am
July 6th, American Legion, St. Francis 10:30 am
August 3rd, American Legion, St. Francis 10:30 am

Upcoming Event(s):

August 29th-September 1st, A.B.A.T.E. of MN
State Rally
September 5th-7th, Haydays
September 13th-14th, 1st, Annual Kelly Pierson
Memorial Buddy Bear Run To Tower

Hi Everyone!

Wow, what a fantastic spring. Beautiful riding weather. I hope everyone is getting out there! East Central just had 8 chapter members that went to Pine City Tech. to renew or take the Road Guard Class. Thanks to all that participated.

Haydays is coming up on September 5th-7th. Bob McChesney passed around a sign-up sheet. If anyone else is interested and would like to sign up please contact Bob McChesney.

East Central is looking into new ways to increase membership, including new membership packets and contacting our local Chamber of Commerce.

As some of you already know, our Chapter President Jim Pierson and his friend Lorna were in a severe motorcycle accident. Both are doing better but have a very long road to recovery. Keep them in your thoughts and prayers.

Keep two wheels down {or maybe three}. Be safe out there.

– Vice President Fred Pawelk

NORTHEAST

Next Meeting(s):

June 4th, the Gopher Bar and Grill, West Duluth, 6:30 pm
July 2nd, the Gopher Bar and Grill, West Duluth, 6:30 pm - This meeting is typically a meet up and ride to a supporter's place of business.

Upcoming Event(s):

July 26th, Membership Ride and Campout

Hello all,

Finally, riding season is here and I'm sure everyone is racking up the miles after a long hard winter. Don't forget your riding season bike checks. TCLOCS is a great way to remember what to look for. Tires and wheels, Controls, Lights and

electric, Oil and other fluids, Chassis and chain, and Stands. All of these are important. But checking your tire pressure and tread wear is crucial especially at the beginning of the riding season after winter storage.

The chapter would like to announce a membership ride and campout event on July 26th. More details to follow next month and on our Facebook page.

Not much to add, just getting wound up for the upcoming onslaught of weekend events. Have a great summer and hope to see many of you at the various rides and parties!

– Ride Safe! Ed

UP NORTH

Next Meeting (s):

June 8th, Moose Club, Grand Rapids, 3:00 pm
July 13th, VFW, Deer River, 3:00 pm

Upcoming Event(s):

June 28th, Membership Ride, Eagles, Grand Rapids, 12:00 pm
October 25th, Spaghetti Feed and Gun Raffle, Moose Club, Grand Rapids
February 21st, Winter Fever Reliever, Eagles, Grand Rapids

I hope everybody is doing well. Just wanted to go over our meeting schedule for the near future. We have decided that our meetings will start moving again for the summer months. The June 8th meeting will be held at the Moose Club in Grand Rapids. The July 13th meeting will be held at the VFW in Deer River.

I would also like to inform everyone about our spaghetti feed and gun raffle that will be taking place October 25th at the Moose Club in Grand Rapids. Time will be posted later.

I would like to remind everybody that next February our Winter Fever Reliever will take place at the Eagles in Grand Rapids on the 21st. We will have rooms available, so the earlier you book, the better since they fill up fast. More information will follow at a later date.

The next thing we have coming up is June 28th, the Up North Chapter's Membership Ride. This will start at the Eagles in Grand Rapids at noon. Please come and join us for any or all of these events. If you need any information, feel free to give me a call.

– President Chris Parks

METRO

Next Meeting(s):

June 10th, VFW, Coon Rapids, 7:00 pm

Upcoming Event(s):

June 2nd and July 7th, Taco Night at Casa Rio
4:00 -8:00pm

June 15th and July 20th, Brunch at Route 47 Pub
and Grub, 8:00am-noon

June 10th and Tuesday July 8th, Bike Nights at the
Coon Rapids VFW, 5:00-7:00pm

May is motorcycle awareness month. As the weather warms up, we will be seeing more of our brothers and sisters out on the road. I know I've already put a few miles on my bike. As riders we know how hard it can be for cars to notice us on the road, especially after a long winter. So, let's make sure people on the road know we are here.

Metro has had a very busy last few weeks and we have no intentions of slowing down! We had a good turnout of Metro members at A.B.A.T.E. U in Alexandria. Jameson and Benny learned a lot in their classes that they plan on using to make Metro the best it can be! Shannon learned a lot in her first B.O.D. Lots of fun and informative classes were held from the Membership Kickoff party to a class about Motorcycle clubs. After all the meetings, the fun began. Metro donated quite a few items to the auction that helped to bring in money for A.B.A.T.E. Jameson and Shannon also got to act as A.B.A.T.E. U sheriffs and put people in "jail" for a donation. The Metro presence at A.B.A.T.E. U. was fantastic and I can't wait to see what next years has to offer.

Metro partnered with Sand Dunes in their Dial-A-Ride booth at Dirty Rotten Biker Fest on May 3rd. Sylvester Nagle and Chad Marchand were more than welcoming to have Jameson, Shannon, and JJ help them spread the word of A.B.A.T.E. and Dial-A-Ride. Lots of Metro members stopped by to say hi and grab a swag bag. We got to talk to a lot of new people to tell them what we are about and even signed up a few new members. Southern Express once again rocked the house at this event. If you have not seen them perform yet you are missing out.

By the time this issue reaches your mailbox our Metromorial event will have happened. With Southern Express taking the stage you know this event was one to be at. Many thanks to all who volunteered to make this event great. Mary Bazoff kept the kids entertained running the games for the little ones. Thanks to all our vendors that set up at our event to help make it successful. A big Mr Potatohead thank you to Ron for his roasted corn and loaded baked potatoes. Thank you to Shannon and the other bakers who set up the bake sale. And a big thank you to everyone who attended, purchased a ticket, entered the bike show and hung out with Metro. Also want to thank Route 47 for once again hosting our event. This event wouldn't be the same without all of you. And if you were unable to make it this year, don't worry, we will be back in 2026 so make sure you clear that calendar space now.

We did not have a taco night in May due to Cinco De Mayo, but taco night will be back on Monday, June 2nd at Casa Rio in Anoka. Casa Rio has been one of our biggest supporters for over 10 years so Metro members said thank you by showing up on Cinco De Mayo to support a business that has continually supported us.

Lastly, if you haven't heard, Metro will be hosting bike nights at the Coon Rapids VFW from 5:00-7:00 pm on the second Tuesday of each month before the chapter meeting. Bring your bikes and hang out with Metro. Maybe even stay for the meeting to see what we have going on. More exciting stuff to be coming soon! Keep an eye on the Metro facebook group for more details!

See Metro Chapter
photos on
the next page.

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METRO CHAPTER



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Date	Chapter	Location	Time
6/1/25	Advanced Training Class	Hennepin Technial College, Brooklyn Park	
6/1/25	Central Chapter Meeting	Hideaway, Rockville	12:00 PM
6/1/25	East Central Chapter Meeting	American Legion, St. Francis	10:30 AM
6/1/25	Southwest Chapter Meeting	Rushmore Community Center	7:00 PM
6/2/25	Metro Chapter Taco Night	Caa Rio, Anoka	4-8:00 pm
6/4/25	Northeast Chapter Meeting	The Gopher Bar and Grill, West Duluth	6:30 PM
6/4/25	South Central Chapter Meeting	Niesen's Bar, Biscay	7:00 PM
6/5/25	Tri-County Chapter Meeting	Carver Beach Playground, Chanhassen	7:00 PM
6/7/25	Flatlanders Chapter Meeting	Jim & Dena Brechs, 216 1st NW, New Richland	3:00 PM
6/7/25	Southwest District Meeting	Daves Town Club, Delano	1:45 PM
6/7/25	Lake Chapter Meeting	Dave's Town Lounge, Delano	3:00 PM
6/7/25	North Star Chapter Meet and Greet Memorial Ride	TBD	
6/7/25	North West Chapter Meeting	Fertile side street	11:00 AM
6/7/25	South Central Chapter Burger Day	Mies Outland Demo Days, Watkins	
6/7/25	Rolling Prairie Chapter Meeting	Dawg Houe, Sleepy Eye	4:00 PM
6/8/25	Up North Chapter Meeting	Moose Club, Grand Rapids	3:00 PM
6/8/25	Borderland Chapter Meeting	The Hobo, Newfolden	3:00 PM
6/8/25	Heart of the Lakes Chapter Meeting	Little Bear's House, 45465 445th, Perham	
6/8/25	River Valley Chapter Meeting	Eagles Club, Mankato	12:00 PM
6/8/25	Sand Dunes Chapter Meeting	The Buff, Big Lake	5:00 PM
6/10/25	Freedom First Riders Chapter Meeting	Garfield City Park	10:00 AM
6/10/25	Metro Chapter Meeting	VFW, Coon Rapids	7:00 PM
6/10/25	Metro Chapter Bike Night	Coon Rapids, VFW	5-7:00 PM
6/10/25	Southeast LC Bike Night	Tilly's Oronoco	5-9:00 PM
6/14/25	Friends of Dale Morin Run Ride	S.O.S. Clubhouse, Cokato -Registration	11:00 PM
6/15/25	Jack Pine Riders Chapter Meeting	Squirrel Cage, Willow River	1:00 PM
6/15/25	Metro Chapter Brunch	Route 47 Pub and Grub, Fridley	8 AM - 12 PM
6/15/25	Southeast LC Chapter Meeting	VFW, Rochester	11:30 AM
6/17/25	Education Committee Meeting	Zoom	6:00 PM
6/19/25	ABATE of WI Summer Hummer	Greenwood, WI	
6/20/25	ABATE of WI Summer Hummer	Greenwood, WI	
6/21/25	ABATE of WI Summer Hummer	Greenwood, WI	
6/21/25	Mike Berg & Fallen Friends Memorial Ride		
6/21/25	South Central Fun Run Membership Drive	Laplante's, Litchfield	
6/22/25	ABATE of WI Summer Hummer	Greenwood, WI	
6/28/25	Up North Chapter Meeting	Eagles Club, Grand Rapids	12:00 PM
6/29/25	Way West Chapter Meeting	Sag Park, Watson	12:00 PM
7/2/25	ABATE of Iowa Freedom Rally	Algona, IA	
7/2/25	Northeast Chapter Meeting	Gopher Bar and Grill, West Duluth	6:30 PM
7/6/25	East Central Chapter Meeting	VFW, St. Francis	10:30 AM
7/3/25	ABATE of Iowa Freedom Rally	Algona, IA	
7/4/25	ABATE of Iowa Freedom Rally	Algona, IA	
7/5/25	ABATE of Iowa Freedom Rally	Algona, IA	
7/7/25	Metro Chapter Taco Night	Casa Rio, Anoka	4-8:00 PM
7/8/25	Metro Chapter Bike Night	Coon Rapids, VFW	5-7:00 PM
7/8/25	Southeast LC Bike Night	Tilly's, Oronoco	5-8:00 PM
7/9/25	South Central Chapter Meeting	Off Center, Clara City	7:00 PM
7/10/25	Tri-County Chapter Meeting	Alex & Kelly Erickson's Home, 20967 291st Ave Belle Plaine	7:00 PM
7/11/25	The Upper Kettle River Shakedown	Finlayson, MN	
7/12/25	Glacier Ridge Chaptr Meeting	TBD	
7/12/25	Lake Chapter Meeting	Airport Marine and Storage, Pequot Lakes	3:00 PM
7/12/25	The Upper Kettle River Shakedown	Finlayson, MN	

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS *continued*

7/13/25	Borderland Chapter Meeting	Springsteel Resort, Warroad	3:00 PM
7/13/25	Central Chapter Meeting	O'Brian's, Rice	12:00 PM
7/13/25	River Valley Chapter Meeting	Eagles Club, Mankato	12:00 PM
7/13/25	Sand Dunes Chapter Meeting	The Buff, Big Lake	5:00 PM
7/13/25	Up North Chapter Meeting	VFW, Deer River	3:00 PM
7/20/25	Metro Chapter Brunch	Route 47 Pub and Grub, Fridley	8 AM - 12 PM
7/17/25	Motorcycle Safety Task Force Committee Report	TBD	5-7:00 PM
7/18/25	Rally Committee Meeting	BOD Location	8:00 PM
7/19/25	North West Chapter Meeting	Mentor Municiple	11:00 AM
7/20/25	Jack Pine Riders Chapter Meeting	Cricket Bar, Rock Creek	1:00 PM
7/20/25	Southeast Lower Corner Chapter Meeting	VFW, Rochester	11:30 AM
7/26/25	Lake Chapter Meeting	Choo Choo Barm Loretto	3:00 PM
7/26/25	Rolling Prairie Chapter Meeting	Thunder Bar, Good Thunder	3:00 PM
7/26/25	Southeast LC Shenanigan's Ride and Party	Isle Bar & Event Center, So of Spring Valley	
7/26/25	Northeast chapter Membership Ride and Campout		
7/27/25	Way West Chapter Meeting	Woodlake Park, Wood Lake	12:00 PM
8/3/25	East Central Chapter Meeting	VFW, St. Francis	10:30 AM
8/10/25	River Valley Chapter Meeting	Eagles Club, Mankato	12:00 PM
8/12/25	Southeast LC Bike Night	Tilly's, Oronoco	5-9:00 PM
8/16/25	29th Annual Harley Heaven Memorial Motorcycle Ride	Leaves Pickled Pig, Jordan	12:00 PM
8/16/25	Way West Fundraiser	Madison, MN	
8/17/25	Southeast LC Chapter Meeting	VFW, Rochester	11:30 AM
8/17/25	Jack Pine Riders Chapter Meeting	Nickerson Tavern, Nickerson	1:00 PM



MOTORCYCLE RIDERS FOUNDATION AWARENESS & EDUCATION Young Activist Scholarship Application Form

Candidate Criteria:

- 1: Must be 18-30 years old at the time of *Meeting Of The Minds* for the year of which the application is submitted for.
- 2: Must have a valid Motorcycle Endorsement on their Driver's License.
- 3: Must be a member in good standing of a State Motorcyclists' Rights Organization (SMRO).
- 4: Must be nominated by either their state or local SMRO. Nominations must be completed on this application form.
- 5: All essays and forms must be submitted together between October 1st and July 15th and postmarked no later than July 1st of the year for which the application is submitted.
- 6: MRF A&E Board and Directors want a well written essay to give us a better understanding for your passion within the motorcycling community. You must submit a minimum three hundred (300) word essay on why motorcycle safety, awareness, education, and motorcyclist's rights are important to you.

CANDIDATE SECTION (PLEASE PRINT)

TODAY'S DATE: _____ AGE: _____
 NAME: _____
 MAILING ADDRESS: _____
 CITY, STATE, ZIP: _____
 EMAIL ADDRESS: _____
 PHONE NUMBER: _____
 MEMBER OF (SMRO): _____

NOMINATING SMRO SECTION (PLEASE PRINT)

**As the nominating SMRO, please provide a letter on a separate piece of paper explaining why you believe this individual should be selected as the YAS recipient.

SUBMITTED BY: _____
 POSITION (State/Local SMRO Presiding Officer): _____
 SIGNATURE: _____

The winning candidate(s) will be announced to the public via MRF A&E Social Media pages around August 15th. All unselected candidates will be notified with a letter of thanks and encouragement to apply for the following year's application.

Mail Essays & Forms Together to: MRF A&E, PO Box 581, Big Lake, MN 55309 OR
Email Essays & Forms Together to: secretary@mrfae.org

A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota 2025 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 2025 State Rally, to be held August 29th-September 1st 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+)
- A full page ad in our Rally program
- 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
- 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 2025 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 2025 Rally is 2,000.

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!

**Deadline to be included in our State Rally Program is
August 1st, 2025**

A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota 2025 State Rally Sponsorship

Sponsor Information

Business Name: _____

Business Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Business Telephone: _____

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Kane Stephens	R
Adam Cwikla	R
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Patrick / Christy Sullivan	R
Janelle Rogers	R
Chris Hamness	R
Marlin Nelson	R
Marty Howes	R
Tim / Dawn Maurstad	R
John Bolek	R
Carolyn Skogstad	R
Shayne Martin	N
Lance Loer	N
James Jaros	N

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Kristin Gruhot	R
Doug / Pamula Fey	R
Richard J. Terry D Mahon	R
Chad Nuy / Jennifer Hansen	R

CENTRAL

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Don / Diane Hommerding	R
Kat Daak	N
John Hiemenz	R
Paul Besser	N

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Mike / Melissa Swafford	R
Isaac / Alexis Barlow	R
Maris / Barbara Schilling	R
Sean Hughes / LeAnn Mentele	R
Todd Beckham	R
Alvin / Amanda Kolkind	R

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Monica Fairchild	R

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David / Emily Ebnet	R
Kenneth E Horsman	R
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Doug Paulson	N

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Dustin Matson	R
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Chris / Nicole Lalum	N
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Paul / Lois Helland	N
Mandy Thompson	N

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Ron / M Carlson	R
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Terry / Kelli Stenglein	R
Randy Deters	R
Vance Mainquist	R

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Don Napurski	R
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Nick Gerads	N
Paul Meisel	N
Howard Clarys	N
Matthew Leipnitz	N
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Matt / Julie Iverson	R
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SOUTHWEST

Darwin VandenBerg	R
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Dale Fairbanks	R
Rick Koester / DeAnna Walker	R
Robin Headline	R
Aaron / Bridget Reuvers	N
Brady Garloff	N
Harvey Voigt	N

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Darrell Christenson	R
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Tommy Schmitz	N
David / Peg De Voto	N
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Brian Berger	N
Kevin Berger	N
Alan Pehrson	N
John Kasprick	N

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Sharon Polman	R
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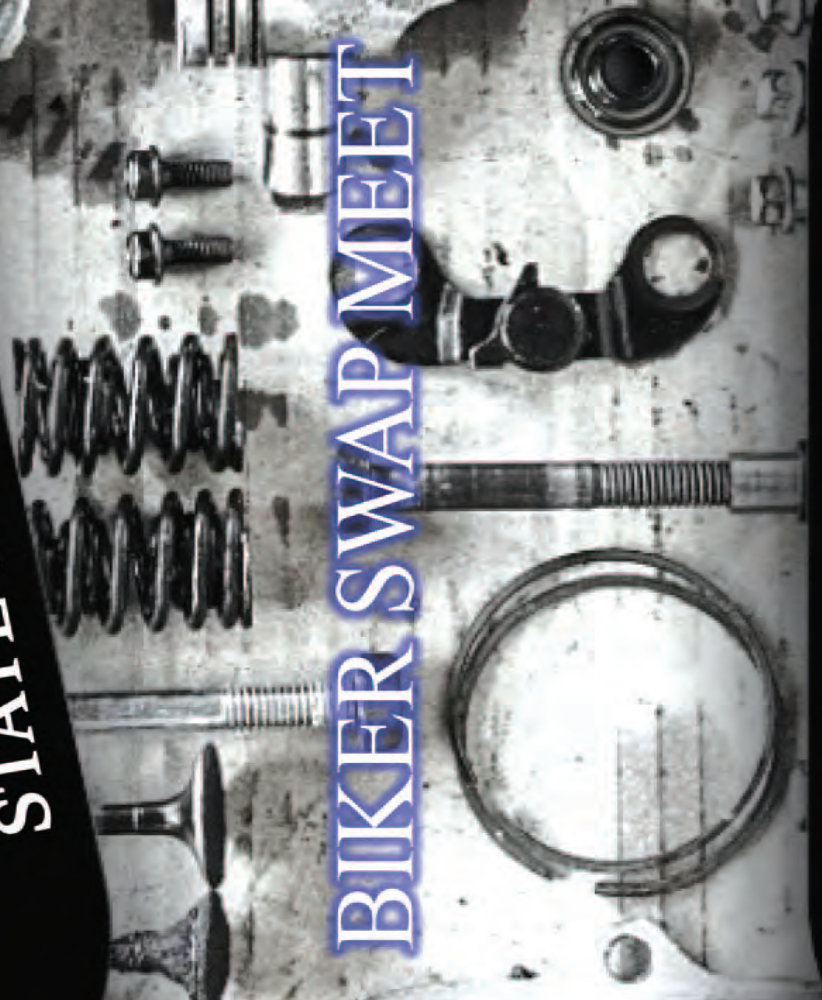


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STATE RALLY



BIKER SWAP MEET

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Vendor Contact: Deb Kviz 608-434-9890

2025

Royalty Pageant

Friday, August 29, 2025

6:00 p.m. at the Main Stage

Chapter Challenge at the State Rally

Each chapter is to email their King and Queen nominee's to debkviz@outlook.com, later than August 15th, (Please no couples or dating nominee's), on the email please include your chapter along with your nominee's names.

The pageant will include 2 rounds:

Round 1: Introduction of Nominee's by Chapter, an interview of the nominees, score sheet of criteria will be used by 3 judges to determine the top 3 women and men that make the final round.

Round 2: Questions and Answers for the 3 chosen contestants from Round 1. highest combined scores determine the new royals.

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