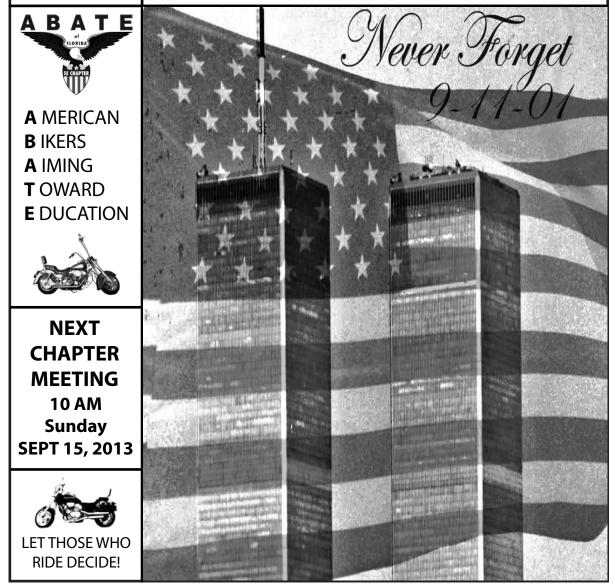
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# President's Message

n Saturday, the 20<sup>th</sup> of July the Wheels of Man MC in Deerfield Beach held their 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Chili Cook-Off. When I got there they must have had about 300 bikes with more coming. I went inside to look at all the different chili's they had but when I got there they were just about out so I didn't get to try any. I will have to get there earlier next year or enter my own chili and try to win. The winner was Larry, VP of the Scurvy Few. The band was great and President Bones had the crowd worked up as only he can.

The following Saturday the 27<sup>th</sup> the Chrome Angels LMC held their Summer Bash at Mickey's in Pompano Beach. Ivy and the ladies put on a great party and as usual their food was awesome. There must have been 200 bikes in front of Mickey's which was a good showing. Shovelhead was rocking the Pompadome all night. Great party ladies! We can't wait for the next one. On Sunday the 4<sup>th</sup> of August we met to put a bronze plaque in the Bikers Memorial Garden for our dear friend Davida. She passed away on June 6<sup>th</sup> from Cancer. She and Phantom were a team for over ten years as lovers and friends. Phantom wrote a column for WOTR and Davida took the photos. I was proud to be a friend to both of them. There were about 50 people who showed up for the service. Afterward, we shared a champagne toast for her. Unfortunately I now have another reason to visit the Memorial Garden. Davida will live on in my heart and those of all who knew her.

The weekend of August 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> Shakie Bob, Princess Sharon, Bev & myself took a ride to Sarasota for the state meeting for ABATE of Florida, Inc. I had to take my van for the ride over to pick up safety handouts for the three events that we do each year. It was the first time the others had attended a state meeting to see what they are all about. Before the meeting Shakie & Sharon stopped to get something to eat and Shakie put his notebook on top of the car and then took off. About an hour later they saw it on the road and stopped to pick it up. Now that would never have happened here. It would have been gone. After the meeting which ended at about 6:30PM Bev & I got back in the van for the four hour ride home. Then on Sunday the 11<sup>th</sup> I went to the Outlaws 46<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Party at their house and it was time to sit back and relax.

When you are out on a Friday and it's after 8:00PM and you are looking for something to do and get some good food then you should take a ride to see the Der Krieger and they will make you feel right at home. They are located in Davie, off Orange Drive. Turn onto SW 59<sup>th</sup> Avenue and the clubhouse is on the left just about at the end of the road. You never know who

is doing the cooking that night, but I have never had a bad meal there and it's a great place to go when it is hot outside and you want to cool, down.

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Southeast Chapter Meeting Minutes August 18, 2013

Sgt @ Arms, Jimmy "Les" Lesniak called the meeting to order at 10:08 am. There were 56 members and 7 guests in attendance. The meeting started following the Pledge of Allegiance, a moment of silence and a prayer by our Chaplain "Poppie"

#### President's Report

President BARS is home sick. Our Vice President "Poppi" will chair today's meeting. Poppi thanked all members for coming, and welcomed new members Ray, John and prospective new member Tony. A special thanks for support from our brother MC's and Associations with representation today from Keltics MC, American Legion Riders, Scurvy Few MC Stateside Chapter, VVA 23, Legion Post 321, Masonic Riders, American Freedom Riders, Christian Motorcycle Association, Wings of Gold and Brothers of the Third Wheel. Poppi reported BARS has 3 new Life Member Cards, we will make arrangements getting the cards to the members. For those who watch the History Channel, they now have a show which is called Fugawi MC. They are a bunch of motorcycle riders who work construction. Supposedly were just a group of riders, but my research indicated they are wearing rockers and have the MC logo on their backs. Here is our issue, for those members who remember way back when; we hosted a yearly State Meeting called Fugawi Fest. This came about as we always had to make a U turn on the way to an event and had to stop and ask where the FUGAWI. We will give them this one but it is time to see what the trademark process is so that they do not steal this for a TV show "Luke's, It's on the way home"

#### Vice-President's Report

See President's Report

#### Secretary's Report

A motion was made to accept the minutes of July's meeting as printed in the newsletter with the following correction: our treasurer Frank T. Hammons also attended the State's Leadership Seminars. All in favor, motion passed.

#### **Treasurer's Report**

Frank gave July's financial report. A motion was made to accept the financial report, all in favor motion passed. Frank reported to the members on the financial outlook for our chapter. The Board of Directors is tasked with ensuring financial stability for our chapter. We consider our newsletter one of the best if not the best newsletter in the state. Unfortunately in order to have the best, it also costs the most. The board is currently looking at many different ways to reduce the cost of our newsletter without sacrificing the quality or content. Poppi reported in the past to save costs we have asked our members who do not want the newsletter mailed to their home to let us know and we would take them off the mailing list. With the exception of mailing the newsletter to the State Board, effective immediately we will reverse the process. Any member who wants the newsletter mailed to them must contact the membership trustee or contact any board member. In addition in order to offset the mailing and processing costs, members will have to pay a nominal fee if they want it mailed The fee at this time is being worked on but there will be a fee. We will keep all members posted on the changes and the process moving forward. Discussion followed with many great revenue generating ideas presented for consideration. All ideas will be reviewed; however a decision will be made by the board which might not sit favorable with some of our members. Trust your Executive Board. We will make the right decision to keep our chapter solvent. Newsletters will be available for pick up at any of the

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establishments we deliver to and are always available for free on our web site.

#### Sergeant at Arms Report

Jimmy Les reported he has acquired a very large American Flag. Many riders want their picture taken in front of the flag on the side of Mickey's. We now have our own large flag which we will have at our event to raise additional funds for our chapter.

#### Road Captain's Report

Postal reported we had a nice turnout for the AOA event. Please support the clubs. Many have open houses on Friday nights. Next Sat we will be having a group ride to support Los Coquis's event which will be held at Mickey's. Our safety and membership booth will be present. If you can help out, please be there at approximately 1030am. For those who want to ride, we will be meeting here at the Legion between 11:30 and 12:30. Kick stands up at 12:30pm. Next month is the annual States MC Key West Tune up Party. Check the hotline for details

#### Safety Directors Report

Gambler reported he has just one more class to give to become certified. Hopefully you read his current article in the newsletter. Hydration. If you do not stay hydrated with <u>WATER</u> in this heat you stand a good chance to suffer heat exhaustion, heat stroke or worse. Discussion followed. If you know you will be going out for a ride in the morning, drink plenty of water before going to bed to get a jump start on hydration. In the heat of the day, if you start to get extremely thirsty it is too late. Also if you see a motorcyclist on the side of the road, please stop to make sure they are o.k. It only takes a minute of your time. We will have our Safety and Membership Booth next Saturday at Los Coquis's Event at Mickey's. Remember what Gambler says:

#### "Don't Gamble with Safety or the Safety of others".

Steve reported tomorrow is the first day of school. Pay attention to the flashing lights of the school zone. In the past law enforcement gave a 3 day grace period if stopped for speeding in a school zone, you would get a warning. Not anymore. Fines are in excess of 350.00 if caught. For the safety of the children, PAY ATTENTION. Joel reported we have products. If you need anything, fell free to give them a call at 954-818-4481. He was also proud to introduce his son John who is also a biker and visiting from Michigan.

#### Events Coordinator

Shakie reported we will be having our October event at Goal Line Sports Bar. They are located at 6969 Taft St in Hollywood. Due to permitting issues we will not have any vendors at this event. Because of this it is extremely important we get as many door prizes as we can to offset this issue. Many cities are using mandatory vendor permits to try to make up for any lost revenue. Basically no permit, no vendors. Permits' can run as high as 600.00. If we try to have vendors without a permit, our event can and will be shut down. For those members who have been here for a while, remember our event which was shut down by the City of Sunrise.

#### State Reps Report

Steve reported Tallahassee has suspended funding Drivers Education in the high schools state wide. What does this mean? For those parents who have high school aged drivers, without driver's education they will have to pay full price for insurance coverage. Jimmy Les requested our Legal Counsel research a bill which was passed years ago where there were funds set aside by the state to provide Driver Education for the high schools. Demetrious will research this issue and let us know his findings. The board was asked the following question: if 10.00 of the 20.00 membership renewal fee are sent to support the state board why is there 100.00 out of 150.00 sent in for a Life Membership? The percentage should be the same. 50%. This question will be asked of the state board at the next state meeting.

#### Membership Report

George was excused. Membership figures will be provided next month. We are still the largest chapter in the state. Reminder, when you get your renewal in the mail, PLEASE take the time to fill out completely, send it in timely and when you fill it out, please do it in a way that we can read it.

#### Newsletter Editor

Wildcat reported all articles, pictures etc must be submitted no later than our monthly meeting.

Legislative Report Continued on next page

#### Products Report

Brad reported last week was the deadline for filing bills. He will start the process of researching bills which are of interest to us and report next month on his findings.

#### Public Relations

Fern was excused. You can always find her at an event promoting ABATE.

#### <u>Advertising</u>

Pixie reported all advertising was up-to-date. **Support our Advertisers, they support us.** 

#### Social Directors Report

Wildcat reported this month's birthday party will be held next Saturday at Shanks starting between 700pm and 800pm. Come on out and celebrate.

#### Newsletter Distribution

Charlie reported all is going well. LeeAnn has done a great job and our newsletter looks super. Our deliverers are also doing a great job. For those who deliver, if you have any leftovers from the month before, please hold onto them. We can always use them at our events.

#### Quartermaster's Report

Bob was excused. No report.

#### Photographer's Report

Wildcat reported to please send her pictures.

#### Web-Master's Report

Rogue reported web is up and running. Reminded all members, paid advertisers will also have their ad's posted on our web-site at no additional charge.

#### Legal Council

Demetrious reported if you have repainted your bike a different color that is listed on you registration is not probable cause for law enforcement. There is no legal obligation to advise the state that you have repainted your bike. Discussion on the revenue generated by red light cameras and the effects on motorcyclists. The following motion was made:

The State Executive Board of ABATE of Florida request a grass roots movement of all chapters of ABATE of Florida in order to propose a change to the State of Florida Constitution that no city or county in the State of Florida gain any revenue derived from traffic detection cameras. All in favor, motion passed.

#### Old Business

None <u>New Business</u> None

#### Good of the Order

Cigar Charlie gave an update on Keltics MC and long time ABATE member, Jim "Kickstart" Lippy. He is home recuperating, he has no vision in his left eye and minimal vision in his right, but is getting better. He is not taking any calls at this time. Please keep him in your thoughts and prayers for a full recovery. Johnnie Rose recommended we pass the hat to help our financial issues. Members stepped up and donated a tidy sum. Many thanks to all.

#### Upcoming Events

Cycle Lab Sale Aug 13 to Aug 24<sup>th</sup>. Sat. Aug. 24th. Los Coqui MC Event at Mickey's. Group ride meeting at the legion between 1130 and 1230pm. kick stands up at 1230pm. Sat. Aug. 24<sup>th</sup>. ABATE SE Chapter Birthday Party at Shanks starting at 700pm Sun. Sept. 8<sup>th</sup>. States MC 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Key West Tune Up Party. Check the hotline for group ride details. Sun. Oct. 13<sup>th</sup>. ABATE of Florida, Southeast Chapter 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Rights Rally at Goal Line Sports. Oct. 11, 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>. ABATE of Florida State meeting at Hillsborough. Spooks and Scoots.

#### <u>Check the Hotline for updates. All Southeast</u> <u>Chapter Group Rides start at our American Legion</u> <u>Post 321, unless otherwise advised.</u>

A motion was made to adjourn, seconded, all in favor. Meeting adjourned 11:57am These minutes were summarized and submitted by:

Paul & Molcor

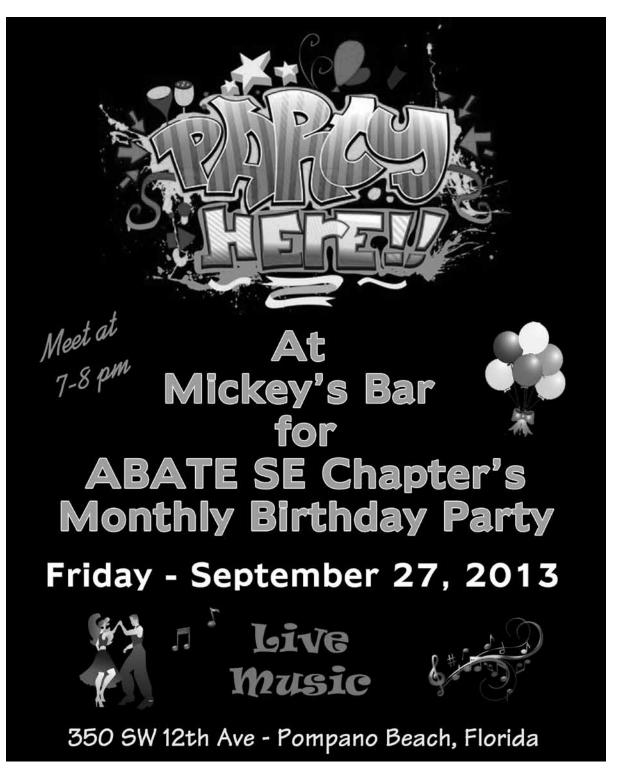
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FREEDOM, INDEPENDENCE, LIBERTY refers to an absence of undue restrictions and an opportunity to exercise one's rights and powers. FREEDOM emphasizes the opportunity given for the exercise of one's rights, powers, desires, or the like: freedom of speech or conscience: freedom of movement. INDEPENDENCE implies not only lack of restrictions but also the ability to stand alone, unsustained by anything else: Independence of thought promotes invention and discovery. LIBERTY, though most often interchanged with FREEDOM, is also used to imply undue exercise of freedom

Certainly, freedom does mean the right to do as one pleases—to think, believe, speak, worship (or not worship), move about, gather, and generally act as you choose-but only until your choices start to infringe on another person's freedom.

This still leaves a great deal of latitude. Abuse of freedom can lead to its demise; think about someone yelling "fire" in a crowded theater. Think about why there are laws that limit sound emissions for motorcycles.

One way to think of this is the difference between "freedom of" (or "freedom to") and "freedom from"—a point eloquently made by President Franklin Delano Roosevelt in his State of the Union Address delivered on January 6, 1941:

We look forward to a world founded upon four essential human freedoms.

The first is freedom of speech and expression—everywhere in the world.

The second is freedom of every person to worship God in his own way-everywhere in the world.

The third is freedom from want-which, translated into world terms, means economic understandings which will secure to every nation a healthy peacetime life for its inhabitants-everywhere in the world.

The fourth is freedom from fear—which, translated into world terms, means a world-wide reduction of armaments to such a point and in such a thorough fashion that no nation will be in a position to commit an act of physical aggression against any neighbor-anywhere in the world.

That is no vision of a distant millennium. It is a definite basis for a kind of world attainable in our own time and generation.

Note also that Roosevelt spoke in "world terms." He and his colleagues (including his wife, Eleanor, one of the greatest women of the 20th century) operated according to a vision in which the United States belonged to a family of nations. This family was interdependent, cooperative, and shared common values. The U.S., in their eyes, would act as a member of that family—a leading member, to be sure, but not a belligerent or domineering one.

In the same speech, Roosevelt said:

There is nothing mysterious about the foundations of a healthy and strong democracy. The basic things expected by our people of their political and economic systems are simple. They are:

- Equality of opportunity for youth and for others.
- Jobs for those who can work.
- Security for those who need it.
- The ending of special privilege for the few.
- The preservation of civil liberties for all.
- The enjoyment of the fruits of scientific progress in a wider and constantly rising standard of living

This message is now over six decades old, but still rings as true today as when first spoken. We can hardly improve on FDR's description of the fundamental goals and objectives of techno progressive policies.

For me, freedom is about living my life the way I want too, having a government that is not oppressive (or too oppressive anyway), the freedom to own firearms, and riding a motorcycle without the possibility of mandatory roadside check-points. Right now I don't have all of those freedoms.

That's it for now. In closing, from FDR's Speech, September 22, 1936

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Not been riding too much the last few weeks, been a lot of rain. The times I did ride, the heat kinda got to me, I don't know about you but the heat can really get to you.

Remember when you ride in the heat stay hydrated, bring water with you, the heat can catch up to you without you knowing it, be careful. I know that advice is only for any of you that haven't been in Fl. that long. The riders that have been here for a while know South Florida riding in the summer means getting hot and wet either from the sun or from the rain. It's also a good idea to have rain gear, and be very careful riding in the rain it can be a little dangerous, between the cage drivers, and wet roads, just be a little more alert, it could save your life.

Another few months and the weather will be great for riding, I don't know about you, but, I like riding from October to April rather than in the summer.

We have our 33rd Annual Motorcyclists Rights Rally coming up in October, and more has probably been said in our last meeting, but always remember that it takes all of us to make our events a success, everybody has been really great with all the help you give, it works really great when we all pitch in.

In closing I ask for all of us to be more careful when riding, we don't want to have any more of our Brothers and Sisters getting hurt, or worse. Sometimes it seems like they are out to get us, but, we're not going anywhere... we're

here to stay!

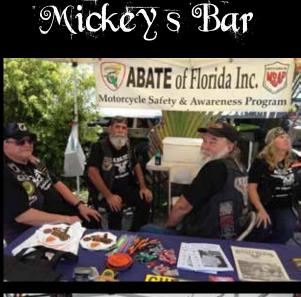


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## September Birthdays

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## - From Your Road Captain -

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I'd like to welcome the new generation of bikers enjoying the freedoms of the road to come visit with ABATE of Florida South East Chapter, at the American Legion Hall, post 321, at 9801 SE 51st Street, in Cooper City, telephone 954-434-0965. Every third Sunday of the Month, at 10 AM, we have our general meeting.

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On Friday night, it's club night. You can ride with us, and meet your local Motorcycle Clubs. Also, there are a lot of events scheduled for this month. Runs and different events are posted on the hotline, at 954-310-4636, and normally, we will meet up at Post 321 between 730 and 8 PM, with kickstands up at 830 PM.

The States MC will have their Annual Key West Tune-up Party at their clubhouse, Sunday Sept 8, from noon until ? At 761 SW 13th CT, in Pompano Beach. Telephone 954-786-2259. We'll be meeting at the American Legion in Cooper City, between 11 and 12, kickstands up at 12:30.

The Southern MC's Teddy Bear Run for September 15, 2013 has been Cancelled.



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8 States MC Pompano Key West Tune-Up Party	9	10	11 Patriot Day	12 Cafe' 27 Bike Nite States MC Pompano Dinner	13	14 Luke's Place Bike Night	
15 Chapter Meeting	16	17 Constitution Day	18	19 Peterson's 40th Annual Key West Poker Run Begins	20	21 Luke's Place Bike Night	
22 Peterson's Key West Poker Run Ends	23	24	25	26 Cafe' 27 Bike Nite States MC Pompano Dinner	27 ABATE Birthday Party at Mickey's Live Music	28 Luke's Place Bike Night	
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October 13 - ABATE SE Chapter's 33rd Annual - Motorcyclists Rights Rally at Mickey's October 26 - Wheels of Man MC Halloween Party								
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#### SEPTEMBER

- 7 Outcast MC Party
- 8 States Pompano MC 20th Key West Party
- -15 Southern MC Teddy Bear Run & party Cancelled
- 19-22 Peterson's 40th Key West Poker Run
- 29 Keltics MC Party

#### OCTOBER

#### 5 - MYSTIC SEVEN MC Annual

- 12 New Attitudes MC Party
- 13 SE ABATE Annual Party
- 18-20 Biketoberfest
- 26 Wheels of Man Deerfield Halloween Party

#### NOVEMBER

#### 9 - USMVMC CH 1 Annual

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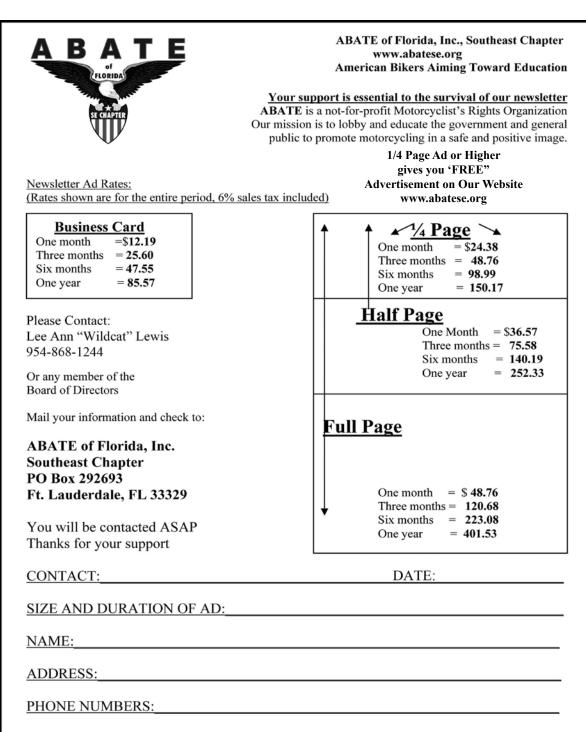


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We all have problems in our lives, some worse than others. We reach out to people for help, just to talk and have someone to relate to, but when we do, we sometimes tend to forget that the people we reach out to have problems also, and we must be sensitive to that fact.

Now anyone that knows me, knows I'm always open to talk to anyone that thinks that I can help, I usually try to make helpful suggestions to their problems, and I'm always open to anyone's suggestions that can help me. When you reach out to anyone it's a two way street. Personally when I try to help someone my thoughts will always have Prayer involved, the only one with all the answers is Jesus Christ, He and only He has all the answers to any problem, and Jesus will always solve any problem you might have, you can count on that!!!!!

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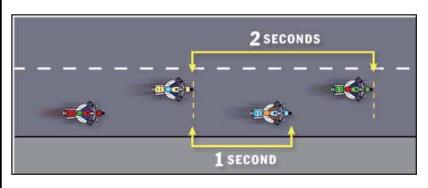
From Your Safety Director



## - Group Riding -

Is riding in a group safer than riding alone? You certainly are more visible to the other motor vehicles. You are only safe if the other riders know the rules of the road. Riding side by side looks good in parades when doing 20 miles per hour, but, not recommended for a group ride when you are going much faster. If the rider next to you has to swerve away from an oncoming vehicle or road debris, he could take out the rider beside him and possibly several behind. It is highly recommended when riding in groups that you ride in a staggered formation. This leaves room between each rider to allow for any emergency situations that could cause a rider to suddenly swerve to his left or right. Remember this rule of thumb; follow two seconds behind the bike directly in front of you and one second behind the bike to your left or right. (See diagram below).

Hand signals are a big part of riding safe and knowing what the Road Captain is relaying to the rid-



ers behind him. The hand signal chart is also located in this issue and should be studied and remembered. You or your passenger should repeat the hand signals for the riders behind you that may not be able to see the Road Captain. The Road Captain may review the hand signals at his preride safety meeting.

Let's end with some simple rules that everyone should follow to show respect for the other riders. (1) Perform a pre-ride check of your bike to make sure it is in good working order before you get there. (2) Show up on time, with a **full tank of gas**. Nothing is more irritating, or embarrassing than a bunch of biker's waiting for one person who forgot to get gas before they arrived. (3) Attend the

pre-ride safety meeting that the Road Captain gives. (4) Ride with caution, be aware of your surroundings and help the new riders.

Until next time, don't gamble with your safety or the safety of others.

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## FEDERAL BILLS WOULD PROTECT MANUFACTURERS OF ETHANOL FUELS

Even as motorcyclists and others are calling for further research and testing of fuels containing ethanol, and the fact that E-15 (gasoline containing 15% ethanol) is not approved for use in any of the millions of motorcycles on and off-road, two bills have been introduced in Congress to protect the fuel industry from lawsuits resulting from its use.

Illinois Congressman John Shimkus, otherwise a longtime friend of motorcycle riders, has authored H.R.1214, the Domestic Fuels Protection Act of 2014; "To provide liability protection for claims based on the design, manufacture, sale, offer for sale, introduction into commerce, or use of certain fuels and fuel additives."

Likewise, Texas Congressman Gene Green has offered H.R.2267, the American Fuel Protection Act of 2013, which "Deems a claim for liability against a qualified entity as a claim against the United States for damages resulting from, or aggravated by, the use of transportation fuel containing ethanol in concentrations greater than 10% to operate an internal combustion engine. Abrogates U.S. sovereign immunity and makes the United States exclusively liable for such claims. Limits awards to actual damages sustained by a claimant. Defines "qualified entity" to mean an entity engaged in the manufacture, use, sale, or distribution of: (1) transportation fuel or renewable fuel, or (2) products which use transportation fuel. Grants U.S. district courts exclusive jurisdiction of any civil actions on such claims."

Both bills have been referred to committee, and either proposal would indemnify fuel manufacturers and suppliers from legal actions for damages caused by their product, leaving U.S. taxpayers to foot the bill for clean-ups from leakage and limiting their liability to actual damages by a claimant, such as the out-of-pocket cost to rebuild an engine damaged by E-15 gas.

MISSOURI INITIATIVE MAY PUT RIDERSHIP TO A VOTE The secretary of state's office has announced that a petition to restrict passengers on motorcycles has met standards for circulation, and supporters can begin collecting signatures to get the proposal on the 2014 ballot.

The proposal, to be put to voters to decide, would require Missouri motorcycle operators to be at least 21 and complete a rider-safety class before they could carry passengers. The restrictions would not apply to those who have had had a motorcycle license for the previous two years and were born in 1984 or earlier.

The first violation would be a misdemeanor with a fine of up to \$300. Penalties would increase for repeat offenses.

PINK PLATES PANNED BY MAINE MOTORCYCLISTS The Maine lawmaker who was the driving force behind the popular pink ribbon breast cancer awareness license plate in that state says the response to creating a motorcycle version has been lukewarm.

The Maine Cancer Foundation says nearly 70 people have committed to the motorcycle license plate, but 500 pre-orders are required for the Bureau of Motor Vehicles to begin production.

State Representative Meredith Strang Burgess (R-Cumberland) has told the Journal Tribune newspaper that she's setting a deadline of year's end for collecting pre-orders. If the pre-registrations are gathered, it will take three months for the state to produce the plates before the first ones will be seen on Maine motorcycles.

BIKERS ROUSTED AFTER SHOOTING SUE POLICE Members of a motorcycle club claim their constitutional rights were violated when Arizona officers rousted them at gunpoint at a campsite where a man shot his wife and two others before killing himself at a 2011 bike rally near Flagstaff.

The Sons of Hell have filed a federal lawsuit last week against the Arizona Department of Public Safety and the Coconino County Sheriff's Office seeking monetary compensation. Its members claim officers were trying to collect information for a criminal street gang database, even though they knew club members weren't involved in the shooting.

MOTORCYCLISTS LAUNCH \$100M SUIT AGAINST QUE-

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The Motorcyclist Movement of Quebec, which represents more than 8,000 motorcyclists in the province, says sky-high hikes in insurance premiums are unfair and discriminate against motorcycle owners, and held a protest in downtown Montreal to launch a \$100 million class-action lawsuit against Quebec's automobile insurance board (SAAQ).

The organization's president and founder, Michael Mosca, says license plate registration fees have increased by 400% since 2008. "They're being discriminated upon. It's a very abusive law," he says..

However, the SAAQ says the premiums are needed in order to compensate victims involved in motorcycle accidents. The board adjusted insurance premiums after a review revealed a \$109 million deficit in 2006. While Mosca admits that motorcycles are higher-risk vehicles, he claims that "When there are accidents between cars and motorcycles, 94 or 95% of the time it's the car's fault, so the motorcyclist is being punished when he's not at fault."

Instead of increasing fees, Mosca suggests the SAAQ should do more to educate people about road safety, adding that it's time people change their minds about motorcycles. "Motorcycles consume less fuel, they cause less pollution, less damage to the roads, which is beneficial to the whole planet," he said.

## NEW LAW COULD DOOM MOTORCYCLE FIRMS IN EAST AFRICA

Motorcycles account for over 65% of motor vehicle registrations every month in Kenya, but new rules requiring motorcycle assemblers to use locally generated parts, when no companies in East Africa are manufacturing them, could spell doom for motorcycle firms.

Manufacturers are raising the red flag over the new law, in force effective July 1st, which stipulates a 25% duty remission on motorcycle assemblers who fail to adhere to the new regulations which require parts such as seats, mudguards, wheel rims, break-gears, exhaust pipes, tires, chassis, batteries and shock absorbers to be manufactured within the East African Community (EAC).

Assemblers are concerned about the capacity of the region

to produce the specified parts, and they say such a move is likely to compromise safety standards, kill employment opportunities and make motorcycles unaffordable. "The EAC region lacks capacity to produce these parts," said Honda Motorcycle Kenya Ltd chairman, Isaac Kalua. "Currently, there is no particular company that can produce any of these parts."

The new law crafted by the EAC seeks to encourage consumption of locally produced materials, but it is now causing jitters within the manufacturing fraternity. The Kenya Association of Manufactures (KAM) called the decision "a bit premature" and KAM Chief Executive Officer Betty Maina told Business Beat, "We are currently investigating to establish whether there is local capacity to produce those parts in Kenya, Uganda and Tanzania before we advise the Government on the timing of that decision."

## MOTORCYCLE HELMETS BANNED IN PHILLIPINE CITY DUE TO BOMBINGS

For an easier identification of criminals, local authorities in Cotabato City have banned the wearing of motorcycle helmets after several deadly car bomb blasts. City police said the measure will help them identify known criminals in the area, and are also hoping that the city council will support their move, radio dzBB has reported.

Several countries had cautioned their nationals to take precautions in traveling to Mindanao, in the Philippines, due to the bombings. Cotabato City is a mixed Muslim-Catholic city on the main southern island of Mindanao where Muslim insurgents have waged a decades old rebellion that has claimed 150,000 lives.

## PANAMANIAN RIDERS TO BE REQUIRED TO WEAR NUMBERED VESTS AND HELMETS

Amid nationwide protests from motorcycle riders, a controversial new set of laws may soon force motorcyclists in Panama to emblazon their license plate number on reflective vests and helmets.

Following objections from motorcycle clubs, the Transport Authority (ATTT) decided to postpone the enforcement of the decree regulating the new safety standards for motorcycles, Resolution 904, which was originally set to begin

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July 24th. Motorcyclist groups in this Central American country say that the measure will not help reduce the use of motorcycles in acts of crime, such as drive-by shootings, and they also insist that the measure is unconstitutional.

Ricardo Mosquera, the President of the Motorcycle Association of Panama, described the move as arbitrary, and as an imposition. "At no time were we consulted on this new standard, it also strikes me as having been negotiated with whoever is going to sell the vests. Moreover, a criminal could simply make a vest bearing any number, commit their crime, and the innocent would then be blamed," Mosquera told Panama-Guide.com.

ATTT head Roberto Moreno said that motorcyclists only disagree with the use of numbered helmets and vests but are not opposed to driving with their lights on, and they also have no qualms about restrictions on driving on sidewalks and shoulders of the roads and in the middle of streets and avenues around the country.

#### BMW DEVELOPS INFLATABLE SAFETY CLOTHING

BMW Motorrad and Dainese have announced that they are to cooperate in a joint development of innovative motorcycle safety clothing, partnering to develop motorcycle rider equipment with fully integrated inflatable protectors.

The first product to emerge from the cooperation will be the DoubleR RaceAir one-piece leather suit designed exclusively for use on racetracks, and the next stage will be to develop the Dainese D-Air Street System as a retrofit solution for BMW Motorrad. The system is scheduled to be launched in 2015, following successful completion of all the crash tests. BMW Motorrad customers will then be able to retrofit the innovative safety system to their motorcycles.

Based in Germany, BMW Motorrad is the only motorcycle manufacturer to have developed the complete range of rider equipment ever since the 1970s - from motorcycle helmets to rider suits, boots and gloves. The ABS pioneer says it has always regarded motorcycling and safety as being inseparably linked and anchored in the "Safety 360°" principle, which breaks down the overall concept of safe motorcycling into three facets: safety technology in the vehicle, safety deriving from rider equipment and safety through rider training.

## FEDS PETITION FOR MANDATORY ANTI-LOCK BRAKES ON ALL STREET BIKES

The Insurance Institute for Highway Safety (IIHS) and the Highway Loss Data Institute (HLDI) have petitioned the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) to upgrade the Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FM-VSS) No. 122 Motorcycle brake systems (49 CFR 571.122).

"This standard should be strengthened to require ABS on all new motorcycles manufactured for on-highway use in the United States," wrote the IIHS and HLDI in joint letter on May 30, 2013 to NHTSA Administrator David L. Strickland.

Research by IIHS and HLDI indicate that ABS reduces the motorcycle fatal crash rate by an estimated 31% and the collision insurance claim rate by an estimated 20%.

## ALLSTATE INTRODUCES "GOOD RIDE GRANTS" FOR MOTORCYCLE SAFETY IDEAS

Allstate Insurance Company announced the newest initiative under its Rider Protection Project portfolio – a series of programs all focused on making the roads a safer place to ride. The Allstate Good Ride Grant contest will award a combined total of \$25,000 to five contest winners with the best ideas for advancing motorcycle safety and awareness.

Now through August 31, 2013, contest applicants may submit their Good Ride Grant submissions through the designated tab on Allstate Motorcycle's Facebook page at facebook.com/AllstateMotorcycle. Entries are welcome from anyone, including local governments, dealerships, rider clubs and individuals.

A six-person judging committee will determine the top 15 finalists, whose ideas will then be featured on the Allstate Motorcycle Facebook page where fans can vote for their favorites and the top five will each receive a \$5,000 grant to help put their ideas into action.

QUOTABLE QUOTE: "Every man owes a part of his time and money to the business or industry in which he is engaged. No man has a moral right to withhold his support from an organization that is striving to improve conditions within his sphere."

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