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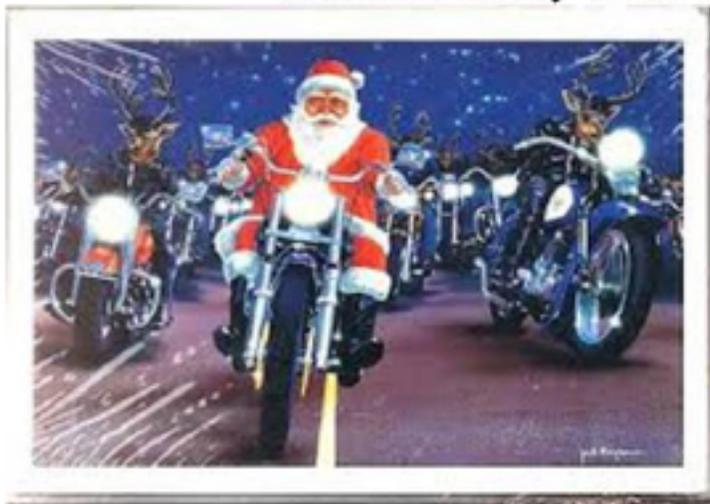


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DICKSON/HUMPHREYS/HICKMAN CHARTER**



**27th annual
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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2014



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Director's Column

All year long I look forward to the Southern Thunder Rally. It is the biggest event we do. This year I had a really great time. Maybe the best ever. Sure it was hot Friday working the gate. Thanks to Jack and Bette for that big cooler of ice and water. It kept us cool while we collected tickets.

Saturday was more pleasant. With overcast skies and a light breeze, it wasn't so sweltering out there on the road. I've always liked working the gate because you get to see everyone who's coming in. That afternoon I went down to help with the State Points Field Meet. With so many expert riders, it is some hotly contested games. The results should be in this paper. As you can see, the leads have swapped places again. I can't wait to see who the State Champions are.

After we closed the gate Saturday night, I was free to have fun. I had some fine sipping whiskey and went down to the stage to enjoy it. The bands were really rocking the crowd. They were even playing some of that new stuff that I like. It was the most fun I have had in a while. But now I'll have to wait another whole year to do it again.

Thank goodness there's a still lot to look forward to. The first Saturday in October we have the whole State covered. If you're in the east, you can do Northeast Charter's Legislative Ride. In middle Tennessee the Robertson County Charter will be doing their annual In Memory Of Ride. And out west the Wheels of Thunder Charter will be having their Bash. Midmonth Smith Wilson Stones River has a Swap Meet, and Upper Cumberland has a poker run. October closes with the 27th Dickson Humphreys Hickman Charter's Toy Run. Another event I always look forward to.

Well, wherever you go, have a good time and take it easy. See ya on the road.

Dean Lucas
CMT/ABATE
State Director



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You would think with this entire fine riding weather and session over that we wouldn't have much to do. WRONG! From meetings with State officials on saving the funding for the Riders Safety courses, to attending the Governor's Highway Safety Office meetings across the state, and sitting in on a skull session with the THP and Rep. Tidwell, August was a busy month. At least I did get a little saddle time in, about 4000 mile worth. Here's a few details on the goin's on.

Carol has worked hard on the situation with the Riders Safety Course funding. We have both met with several folks involved, including John Milliken. The letter that was sent to the Governor and legislative leadership will be published elsewhere in the newsletter. The good thing is there wasn't enough money in the fund to really get the Governor's attention, but we still don't want it touched. I'm not one for begging, but that pretty much was what we have been doing. By the time you read this, we should know how successful we were.

The GHSO (Governor's Highway Safety Office) actually invited us to the table for the 3 meetings held across the state. We were allowed 4 spots at each one. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Rollins, Johann Forbus and I went to Jackson. Batman, Rep. Kelly Keisling, Mark Watrous and I made it to the one in Murfreesboro. Carol Simpson, Tom Kynor and Gregg Upchurch sat in on the Knoxville affair. I started that way but my body had other intentions. At first we thought this would just be to listen to what had been decided, but we were happily surprised with being able to take part in choosing the topics that would be used in the motorcycle part of the safety plan being drafted. No one even wanted to discuss helmets at the two meetings I was at. I think that surprised the hosts. Hopefully this will lead to a voting seat at the table, but for now we have to settle on a high chair. I want to think everyone that took the time to go and to Miss Jessie Seagroves

for being so gracious. (She rides) The introductions pretty much set the tone for the Jackson meeting. 40 something law men and 4 CMT/ABATE members. The officers bragged on riding motorcycles for 2 or 3 year. One even had 7 year experience. They got to us last and between the 4 of us we had right at 200 year. Talk about watching faces change. that alone was worth going for.

Some of the charters have been inviting candidates to their meetings with good results. This needs to continue. Nothing beats that personal face to face time you get with current or future legislators. Having that time in your own house is even better. Don't forget we have elections coming up and there is still time to ask your candidates to drop in for a visit.

This next subject is a real burr under the saddle. It has been brought to our attention that some law enforcement in Tennessee are stopping folks on motorcycles for not wearing a DOT approved helmet. Hold on, it gets worse. Once stopped some folks have been detained on the side of the road until someone brings them a helmet that gets the blessing of the officer. (I feel much safer with the fashion police on the job.) Where were they when folks was wearing polyester jumpsuits? It seems they weren't aware that DOT isn't the only accepted helmet standard in Tennessee now. Some of Rep. John Tidwell's constituents were detained and brought this to his attention. A meeting was arranged with Lt. Col. Dereck Stewart and we were asked to take part by Rep. Tidwell. Reps. Keisling and Sexton had their assistants sit in on the packed room. Carol and I were joined by new CMT/ABATE member, Fred Standbrook, who just happens to have written the last revision of the helmet law that permitted vented bicycle helmets. (You don't go bear hunting with a switch.) In the end, Lt. Col. Stewart agreed to pass on the helmet information to the troopers, but would not commit to stopping the roadside detentions. The man not only listened to what we had to say, but also acted on it. As for holding someone on the side of the road until they get a proper helmet, it is legal in this state to do so, for now.

We are including a survey in this newsletter concerning helmet stops. We would appreciate you taking some time to fill one out and send it in if it involves you. If you have any questions or want to make a comment on any thing written here, feel free to contact me at themotorsickledoc@yahoo.com

August 10, 2014

To the Honorable Bill Haslam, Governor of the Great State of Tennessee,

It has been brought to the attention of CMT/ABATE, Inc. that the funding for the Motorcycle Riders Education Program is once again in jeopardy for being used to fill a void in the State budget. On behalf of all Tennessee motorcyclists, who are solely responsible for providing this money, we humbly ask that you please reconsider such a devastating move to this vital program. Rider training is the only safety factor, outside of experience, that can and will save a life or at the very least, prevent serious injury. Nothing can compare to the knowledge of how to avoid a potentially dangerous situation on the road. The fact that CMT along with Senator Douglas Henry and motorcyclist across the state founded this program gives us an even greater concern in seeing that it continues to provide our future riders with a greater ability to protect themselves from unexpected dangers on the highway. This is the only proactive effort in the State directed at motorcycle safety. The small business men and women that run the independently owned training sites across the state, are already operating on a tight budget and this money could mean the difference in being able to upgrade their ageing fleet of training bikes or maybe going out of business altogether. We all understand the importance of a balanced budget, but sometimes doing the right thing greatly outweighs the value of a dollar. In this case the right thing is permitting the voluntary riders education program to continue unhindered. We know that this is the best protection we can pass on to our state's future motorcyclist. If you would like more information on this program we would be happy to provide whatever you need.

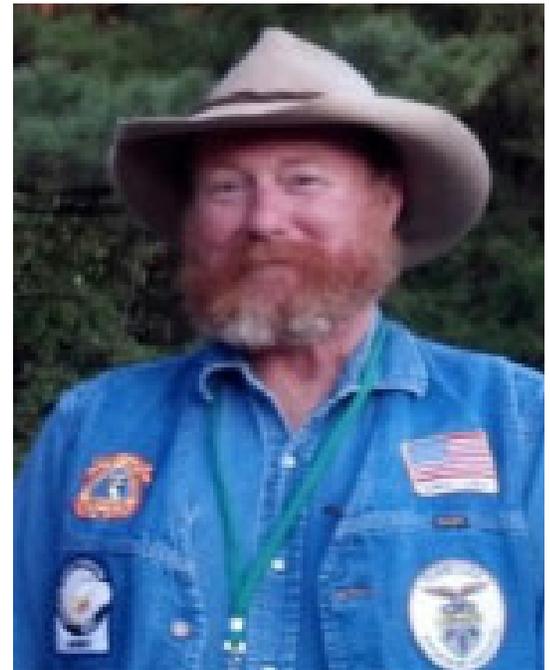
Respectfully,

Tony M. Dabb

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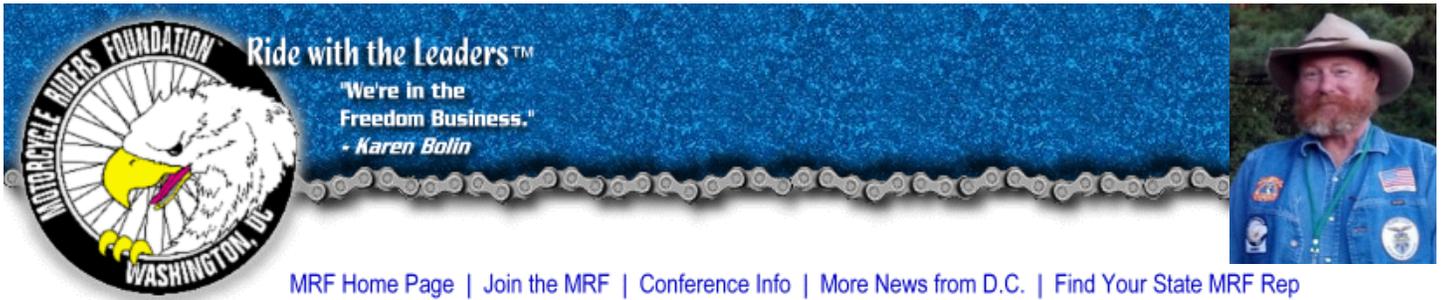


Motorcycle Helmet Violation Survey

1. Are you over 21 years of age? ___ yes ___ no
2. Have you had a citation for a motorcycle violation from 3013 to 2014? ___yes ___no
3. Were you detained after the citation was issued? ___yes ___no
4. Have you had a helmet citation? ___yes ___no
5. Was the helmet citation for: ___improper helmet ___no helmet
6. Were you detained for the helmet citation? ___yes ___no
7. Give details of the incident if you were detained.
8. If you went to court over the citation, what were the results?
9. What law enforcement agency issued the citation and where was it issued?
10. What state was the motorcycle registered in?

Editor's Note: All information for the newsletter has to be sent electronically by the 10th of each month or it will not make it into the next edition of the newspaper. It **MUST** also be in electronic format! Please email your submissions to: keeblerg@yahoo.com. Did we miss something or make an error? It was not intentional. Please keep us informed. Send event dates, articles, minutes, *pictures* etc. to keeblerg@yahoo.com. That being said, I am **BIG** on photos, I want more photos not only from events but of our members out there riding!

CMT/ABATE, Inc. is not a "Biker Club", but a non-profit, political organization that was formed to preserve freedom and safety for all Tennesseans who enjoy motorcycling. Our major goals are to modify existing laws that are detrimental to motorcycle safety and enjoyment, and to enact new legislation in support of all motorcyclists who ride in Tennessee. If you are concerned about preserving personal freedom and motorcycle safety, please join us.



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By the time you read this Carol and I should be at Meeting of the Minds, so I would like to start out with a big ol' thank you to everyone for supporting MRF and helping to finance the trip here. We will have a detailed report on the whole thing next month.

There has been a lot of correspondence between the MRF State Reps this summer. Many states have asked questions and sought advice from others within the organization. We were actually in the loop on all of it. More than one state has asked for information and advice on the red light law, passenger foot pegs and handle bar height. Our past Legislative Directors along with CMT/ABATE membership as a whole, did a fine job in wording and lobbying these laws. That became more evident by the fact that SMROs (State Motorcycle Rights Organizations) are looking to what was done here as a model for legislation in their states. If that don't puff up your chest a little, I don't know what will.

The effort for a so called "universal helmet law" by the federal government is growing. Money and ignorance seems to outweigh individual rights and truth when it comes to anything dealing with motorcyclists. We need to be thankful and support the few folks in DC that actually give a damn. Keep an eye on how the CDC and insurance companies are taking up a pro helmet stance that could bypass the legislative process and force helmets on everyone. If you don't think it's possible I have three letters for you E P A.

This is where I usually ask for your support for and membership in MRF. I won't let you down. MRF needs your body and bucks badly. Try saying that three times fast. Come on and join the ride. Papa MRF has left the building.



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2014 CALENDAR OF EVENTS CMT/ABATE OF TENNESSEE

- 10/4 RoCo In Memory Ride
- 10/11 SWSR Swap Meet
- 10/12 UpCu Poker Run

- 11/2 SWSR Toy Run & Chili Cook Off
- 11/8 UpCu Toy Run
- 11/15 KeCo Toy Run
- RoCo Toy Run

- 12/7 SWSR Needy Family Run
- UpCu Christmas Party
- 12/14 Board of Directors



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October 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3 RoCo
	5	6	7	8	9	10 SWSR
	12 UpCu	13	14	15	16	17
	19	20	21	22	23	24
	26	27	28	29	30	31

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NEWS & EVENTS (MARK YOUR CALENDARS)

SOUTHERN THUNDER RALLY POINTS FIELD MEET

“Points Rodeo”

RESULTS!

Slow Race

- 1st Jeff Hollins
- 2nd Hippy John
- 3rd Tommy Jones

Ball & Cone

- 1st Jeff Hollins & Becky Foss
- 2nd James Sullivan & Sarah Lipinski
- 3rd Scott Dean & Trisha Millar

Barrel Roll

- 1st James Sullivan
- 2nd Tommy Jones
- 3rd Jeff Hollins

Weenie Bite

- 1st James Sullivan & Sarah Lipinski
- 2nd Lightning & Connie
- 3rd Jeff Hollins & Becky Foss

State Points Field Meet Standings

Riders

James Sullivan	23
Tommy Jones	20
Jeff Hollins	12
Scott Dean	2
Hippy John	2
Lightning	2

Passengers

Sarah Lipinski	13
Sharon Jones	8
Michael Sevier	5
Becky Foss	4

CANEY FORK - Next Meeting: Tuesday, Oct. 6, 7:00, Golden Nugget, Carthage

The Sept. meeting was called to order @7:08 by Jeff. Pledge was led by Hornet and said by all. 18 Members was present.

Secretary Report was given and approved. Treasury Report was given and approved.

Membership: Jeff welcomes new members James Preston Jr., Kimberley Baker, Mike Givens, Donna Givens

Activities: Carol working on the Oct.4th Benefit for Izzy. Things are coming along...Memorial ride Sept.13th start at the Nugget @ 10am.

Products: Tanks and Tees are back if you have ordered one please have them pick up before Oct. 4th. see or call Tammy. The shirts that we have on hand Oct. 4th will be sold at the benefit.

Legislative: Nothing reported.

Old Business: Tabled from last meeting Jeff made a motion to raise our pledge \$50.00 Yeeha 1st. Tp second all in favor motion was carried. East meets West ride for Izzy Carol reported on the food vendor Charter agreed to purchase the meat Jeff will pick the meat and deliver to Defeated Creek Park on Fri the 5th Oct. Carol is working on getting bands. Yeeha is

checking on sound system. Tammy is working on PR. Tammy reported that it's confirmed that the benefit will be held at the Defeated Creek Park and Marine. Big thanks to Tom and Trish.. Will be needed items for raffle. Tp stated with so much that has to be done he made a motion for another meeting the 28th of September to make sure that everything has been completed..

Yeeha 1st Tammy 2nd all was in favor motion was carried.

New Business: Jeff encouraged everyone to attend the BOD meeting on September the 14th.

50/50 won by Lolly Almond donated back to charter.

With further business Jeff made a motion to adjourn @ 8:15 Sparkey 2nd. Motion carried.

FALL IN THE AIR RIDE SAFE SEE YA NEXT TIME.

KNOXVILLE - Next Meeting: Sunday, Oct. 26, 1:00, Clinton Hwy Harley Davidson, Knoxville

NASHVILLE- Next Meeting: Tuesday, Oct. 21, 7:00, Bikini Beach Bar, Antioch

MONTGOMERY - Next Meeting: Monday, Oct. 7, Sunshine Restaurant, Clarksville

DICKSON/HUMPHREY/HICKMAN-Next
Meeting: Thursday, Oct. 16, 7:00, VFW, Dickson

The 3rd Thursday of August found 20 souls saying the Pledge to our Flag. Cycledellic Mark then asked Mike Boehm to give us a prayer, which he did, and then we put our hats back on our heads. Hanging out with the Freak Show was Honorary Freak Magoo Lucas, wants to be Freak Jo-hann and Candidate for State Rep. in the 74th district, Mr. Jay Reedy. Mark gave Mr. Reedy the floor to tell us why we should vote for him in the upcoming election. Mr. Reedy is running against our long-time friend, Rep. John Tidwell. We wish him the best of luck. Mark told us about the STR on the 22nd, 23rd & 24th, and to keep an eye on Barry Hagewood, the Kenneth Harris Memorial Ride on the 23rd. Sept 13 Vicky Lynch Benefit and Clarksville BWC Toy Run. The AMRA Finals in Bowling Green Sept 26-28. We want to see the Tennessee Thunder Pro Fuel Bike trip the win light that weekend!

Ass. Dir. Bob-B gave a very short report. Lil John told us we got \$\$\$ in the bank. Biker Chic Phyllis said more pics are on our FaceButt thang and that Bobby & Tracy Rich re-upped. Check your X-pire date. Re-up, Don't X-pire!

Yardman Steve gave us an Activities Report that said the Canoe Poker Run had 30 wet people in it and that Little Eddie won with 3 - 8s. He donated it back to us. Our 27th Annual Toy Run is October 25th; Vicky Lynch Run is October 4th. Turkey Shoot is Nov 22nd at Abiff Pub.

Someone nominated Mike Boehm to be our chaplain – Everyone agreed – Be it so! Freak Show has its First Chaplain. Members not doing so good, Shelia Triplett had stomach surgery, she is home. Bobby Rich had tests – no blockage – but gonna have more tests soon. Vicky Lynch is still fighting her cancer. And a hard fought battle with cancer was lost as Big R – Ronnie Lewis – passed away 3 hours before our meeting. He left behind 2 boys and a little girl and a bunch of smiles. He will be missed as he was a good feller. We took a Big Ole Drink to Big R.

Next meeting we'll decide when to have a meeting in Humphreys County. 50/50 done & won by Cycledellic Mark. This report wrote by hand with knife in forehead

Nuff Said, We Scattered
That's All from ME
Beefy

MUSIC CITY - Next meeting: Sunday, Sept. 7, 2:00,
Skully's, Old Hickory

Meeting was called to order by J-Bird, whom also lead off in pledge. We had a great turnout with around forty members in attendance. Wayne started the meeting off, by talking about group participation ...Regarding ,everyone talking and getting to know the folks running in your district, your voting rights, and getting out there and showing your face. We all need to get involved in letting our legislators know what it is we all want. The way to do this is call, write, go out to the campaigns...TALK... Go VOTE... If you aren't registered to vote, get it done. No one will listen if you are not a registered voter. Shorty, showed what your voting card looks like, and where to look for vital information from your card, you need to know. The State of TN has a law, if you work, you are supposed to get two hours off to take time to vote, also there is the absentee voting.. So, all members are greatly ENCOURAGED TO GET INVOLVED, SO, WE AS MOTORCYCLE RIDERS, CAN RIDE THE WAY WE WANT... FREE...and comfortable..

Okay, so did you miss STR... Well, all I can say is if you missed it, you missed a darn great time. Congrats to one of our own, Amy, who won Miss Southern Thunder. You go Girl...!!! The bands were awesome, haven't heard who were winners of the games. Glenn and I stayed pretty busy doing the music / karaoke; also, we took time to say a special Thanks to Boomer who travels around 4,000 miles from Manitoba, Canada to be with us each year at STR. How many loyal members can you say will do this every year?? Music City has one we always know will be there, and a great love we all have for Boomer. See you next year Boomer. Glad to know you arrived back home safe. You can catch some pics and videos on Facebook, check them out if you haven't already. A great time is all I can say. Next stop...Bowling Green...

Moving on to more good times, Biker Sunday, Oct 12th, with Doc @ Oak Hill Assembly, 5200 Franklin Pike, Nashville, for more info, contact Doc @ 615-405-6255. There will be Best Bike Competition, Top Door Prize \$500.00, Free lunch, and a parade, Actives began @ 10:30 a.m.

Here comes our Christmas Toy Run on Oct 25th. KSU @ noon leaving Skully's, Rose has volunteered to put together our stops and lead us off on the ride. We need Toys, non-perishables foods, items for our elderly people, and of course always taking cash dona-

tions. Hope every one of our members will make a special point to be at this ride. It's one that we all take pride in, and we always do so well for our families who haven't had such a good year. So, let's all show up, and ready to Party!!! BRING A FRIEND.

Oct 4th. Swap meet @ Skully's from 9 a.m. till 4 p.m. Amanda has set up Toxic Monkey to play later that evening. So, if you have questions for this event, Please contact Amanda @ Skully's. Vendors with a 10 x 10 cost are \$20.00 and with electricity is \$40.00. There will be all kinds of vendors from bike parts to clothing. If you're interested in vendor placing get with Amanda though. NO COVER CHARGE THAT EVENING, so come on out and lets all have a great time. Also, NO KIDS WILL BE ALLOWED INSIDE ANY AREA OF THE BAR, AT ANY TIME...

Welcome back home Jim and Pam. See you soon at the meet or even better at one of our upcoming events.

We also had an international member from Ireland in this past month, so we all welcomed Xave Ryan, and look forward to more of his visits in the future. Stay safe Xave, and come on back anytime. We love ya.

And one of my all-time favs coming up. Halloween Party, Oct 31st @ Skully's. Starts at 8 p.m., there is going to be a band, and plans are being made. Be sure to dress up in your most scariest, sexiest, funniest, silliest, or whatever your fancy may be, and come on out. Everyone is sure to have a big night. You might just win the best costume contest...

Well, last but not least the final Poker Run event, Smith/Wilson, 5859 Hartsville Pike in Lebanon. If you got your books, get on out there, see what you've come out with, and Good Luck to everyone.

Well, I suppose that is all I have for now. Hope everyone can come join us in our upcoming parties and events. Mark your calendars, and watch our Facebook for any info on all our upcoming. Thanks everyone. Cooler weather makes for some great riding, Stay safe and watch for cagers, they won't watch for you. See ya when we see ya... Sharon a.k.a. CRASH

NORTHEAST- Next Meeting: Monday, Oct. 13, 7:00, Call for location

SUMMER COUNTY - Next Meeting: Thursday, Oct. 23, 7:00, VFW Hall, Hendersonville

WHEELS OF THUNDER Next Meeting: Thursday, Oct. 2, 7:00, Pancho's, Memphis



ROBERTSON COUNTY- Next Meeting: Tuesday, Sept. 2, 7:00, Piggy Pit, Springfield

We would like to thank The Pit for the hotdogs, chips and all the trimmings, as well the fresh watermelon... thank you girls...everything was delicious! Destiny was slinging us the cold ones tonight!

Alright folks the Robertson County CMT ABATE Charter members must have had a BIG OLD TIME at the Southern Thunder Rally at Red River at the end of August in Adams, TN...because our attendance tonight was approximately 15 people...so there is a lot of recouping. At the Southern Thunder Rally this year Mother Nature was not on our side...rain, rain and more rain...lol.

Roland, Director wasn't present due to having to work. Jon, Sgt. of Arms wasn't present, Tim, Asst. Director wasn't present due to work. We missed everyone that wasn't present...sure hope all is well with everyone.

Treva, Treasurer called the meeting to Order and lead us in the Pledge. Marilyn lead us in the Prayer.

Treva announced welcome to everyone. George, Chaplin not present due to work. Pamela, Secretary had nothing to announce. Treva, Treasurer announced great numbers!

Samantha, Activities announced that we don't have any results from the Southern Thunder Rally yet... hopefully by our next meeting. Everyone remember our In Memory of Ride that is October 4, 2014...flyers were handed out. Our shirts for this event are OR-ANGE this year...bold color...everyone will see us coming...lol. Also, a flyer was handed out for Annual Freedom Ride that is 9/6/2014 at 10:00 am sponsored by Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 2120 at Firehouse Sports Bar.

Marlin, Legislative announced that Kerry Roberts and Sabi Kumar won their election...congrats to them. Kathy, Membership announced everyone don't forget to re-up if your membership is close to expiration.

Samantha announced don't forget about John & Ruth's Halloween is October 25th...will be a blast... always is. Toy Run is November 15th...more details at next meeting. Robertson County Christmas Parade not too far away more details at next meeting.

A thank you Kathy Rood for your donation tonight...

A Motion to Adjourn was made by Samantha ...2nd was made by Treva ... and Treva announced all right we have a Motion, a 2nd...all in Favor...response everyone ...any opposed nope...meeting adjourned!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY CONNIE JONES. Be sure to check out Events in your Newsletter...lots of good things going on! Everyone is invited to come join us on the 1st Tuesday of every month at The Pit...we would like to see you there!

LOOK TWICE AND SAVE A LIFE...be careful riding out there!

BIKE NIGHT EVERY THURSDAY AT THE PIT... come on and join us!

Pamela.....LOL

SMITH /WILSON /STONES RIVER - Next Meeting: Sunday, Oct. 5, 2:00, Smitty's, Lebanon

The Smith/Wilson/Stones River meeting of September 7th was called to order by Kim at 2:05 PM who also led the pledge. All officers present except Treasurer, Membership and Sgt at Arms. There were 36 members and 1 visitor in attendance. Kim thanked all and welcomed Jack Jones from the Nashville charter.

Secretary Report: Given and approved

Treasury Report: N/A

Legislative: Bullet said fall elections are coming up in November get out and vote. Also cooler weather means leaves and deer in the roads which means dangerous road conditions. Be alert and aware! Also Meeting of the Minds and Board of Directors meeting is coming up. Kim also stated everyone should try to attend other charters meetings and events as much as possible! You will earn extra biker bucks while also supporting other charters.

Activities: Tommy covered final details for the upcoming field event this month. The weekend before we will be workdays at the event site. Everyone should attend one day at least. The Lebanon site for the Fall Swap Meet (Hillbilly Willy's) closed so we have cancelled this event!!! Motion was made and carried to add a bike show to the Field event instead.

Membership: Skeeter Tipton and Kim and David Marlin renewed. September birthdays are Dennie Lane, David Campbell and Ryder Toungett.

Products: Resa covered available products. We have flags constructed from 2 bandanas' we had in stock that she constructed herself...AWESOME!! Memory patches and rockers are in packets for \$15.00. Get with her and buy some! The finals event shirt details were nailed down and there also be cozies available.

PR Communications: Dennie spoke about the breakfast rides and communications ideas. She will continue phone tree. From now on breakfast rides will be as follows: Every other Saturday we will meet at Ryan's on S. Cumberland (Hwy 231) in Lebanon at 8 and kick stands up at 9 am. Every other Sunday we will meet at City Limits Café on Cainsville Pike at 8 am and kickstands up at 9 am. Destination to be determined. Please check Facebook page for any changes and if there are any changes you will get contacted my Dennie.

Vets Rep: Sharon said we have a location in Watertown at the train depot pavilion for Saturday, September 27th for the Mile Long Yard Sale. All proceeds will go to the "Christmas for the Vets" program. Ev-

erything we sell will be donated by us. Be there and bring plenty of stuff to sell!!!

Safety: David said to be alert. Group discussion over rides.

Old Business: Saturday, October 18th we will take our can tabs to the Al Menah Shriners in Nashville for the Shriner's Children's Hospital. We will meet for breakfast that morning as per our Breakfast ride schedule and ride over after. They will have us snacks and drinks.

New Business: Donations are still needed to give away for the 50/50 drawings at the finals field event! Donations are also needed for the building monetary wise. Ronnie said he challenged everyone to set aside \$5.00 a week to donate. Hat was passed and \$170.00 was collected for building fund. Thanks everyone!! Motion was made and carried to use the proceeds from our part at Liberty Rally to go to building fund. Motion to adjourn at 3:25.

Later....Ruth

TENNESSEE VALLEY - Next Meeting: Sunday, Oct. 19, 2:00, Call for Location Mark (Yog) 423-570-0250

Meeting called to ordered

Officers Report:

Membership Report: Renewals reviewed.

Treasury Report: Balance reviewed Raffle a success. Met all our monetary goals for 2014

State Legislative Report: Tony has requested that we do what we did last year and have individual charters meet on the Hill thru the legislative season to maintain constant presence. Legislative strategies reviewed.

Events report: Southern Thunder Rally in August and our annual charter ride in September.

Meeting adjourned:

Next Meeting: September 21st will be at Hooters Remember life is a journey so take the long way home.

Yog



UPPER CUMBERLAND - Next Meeting: Sunday, Oct. 5, Call for Details, Ron 931-879-3899

Ron opened the meeting and Lynn led the Pledge of Allegiance. Waived reading of last month's minutes. Dean gave the treasurer's report. Legislative report- Still going to be working on the Liberty Bill and the Reciprocity Bill. Activities report- STR was a success and fun was had by all! Poker Run Books are still available! Ride to Wineries- Sept 28th. Meet at Chestnut Hill. Exit 322 (Peavine) @ 12:00 Noon Central Time. U/C poker Run Sun- Oct 12th. Sat- Nov 8th- U/C Toy Run. Old Business- None. New Business- None. Monkey Business- Sending some old charter purchased bumper stickers to Missouri. Next meetings are... Oct 5th- Wagon Wheel on Pomona Rd, outside of Crossville; Nov 2nd- Racetrack in Crossville; Dec 7th- Hawg Barn in Cookeville w/ Christmas party following. Motion to adjourn with a second. Meeting adjourned! Thank you Bald Rock for having us! And thank you for the turkey and dressing w/ the fixings and pork roast! It was delicious! Until next month ride safe and free! Lynn (Angel doll) Greenwood – subbing for our secretary who is busy with final wedding preparations!



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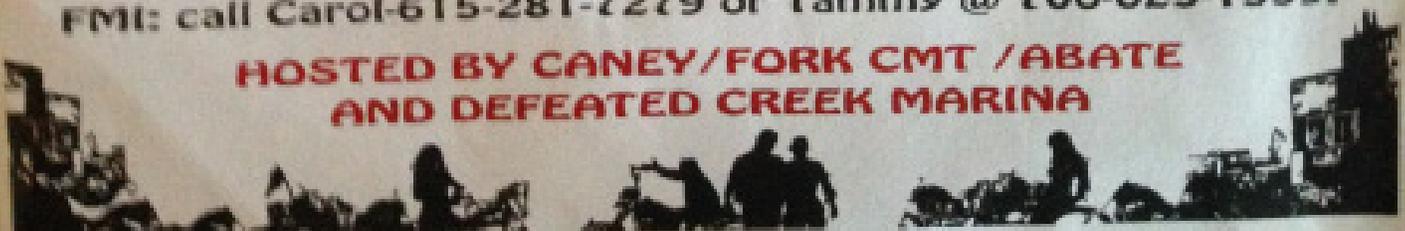
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DC Insider: AMA visits with state legislators at NCSL

Posted by: Sean Hutson on Friday, August 29, 2014

Last week, AMA staff attended the National Conference of State Legislators.

While some legislators and staff avoided our booth, many were interested in hearing more about our legislative efforts to protect and promote motorcycling – the Indian Chief that Indian Motorcycles loaned us for the event didn't hurt either.

Nick Haris and I spoke with legislators from Maine to Washington and from Texas to Montana. Many of the legislators are riders themselves and, as a result, understand the needs of the motorcycling community.

2014 has been for motorcycle-related legislation – and it isn't over yet.

So far this year, Louisiana passed legislation prohibiting motorcycle-only checkpoints. Maryland, Massachusetts, New Jersey and Pennsylvania introduced legislation that would limit the checkpoints in some way, though the legislation either has not yet passed or failed.

Additionally, the AMA tracked more than 250 pieces of legislation related to distracted driving. Some of these bills, such as Wisconsin's A 124, prohibit any driver from engaging in any activity that "reasonably appears to interfere with the person's ability to drive the vehicle safely."

With distracted drivers contributing to many accidents, it is encouraging to see so many legislatures taking up bills to combat the problem.

Equipment issues also proved to be popular this year. The AMA is tracking 49 bills relating to everything from air filters to handlebar height. Perhaps most importantly, Kansas passed H 2318, a bill that allows for modulating headlamps on motorcycles and certain auxiliary side lighting. Lighting issues will remain important as the riding community continues to look for ways to increase conspicuity.

Unfortunately, many states limit auxiliary lighting.

On the privacy front, many states introduced bills that would codify that data captured by an event data recorder belongs solely to the owner of the vehicle. Additionally, New Jersey introduced a bill, A 3527, which would prevent the state from sharing license-plate in-

formation with other states for purpose of issuing traffic violations based on evidence from traffic cameras. Missouri H 1368 attempted to ban the use of global positioning systems as a method of tracking the number of miles a vehicle travels.

With no long-term federal funding fix for the Highway Trust Fund, tolls became a more important issue in states this year. Currently, we are tracking 107 bills related to the collection of tolls. The AMA opposes tolls because they divert traffic off highways and onto smaller roads that were not designed to handle such large volumes. This makes the roads more dangerous, not only for motorcyclists, but for all motorists.

While always a hot-button issue, helmet laws (both for and against) accounted for only 1.9% of the bills the AMA tracked.

This is just a small sample of the over 2,200 motorcycle-related bills the AMA is tracking. If you have any questions regarding specific legislation please do not hesitate to contact the government relations department at grassroots@ama-cycle.org.

Washington, D.C.: A new recommendation for universal motorcycle helmet laws by a task force of the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention is based on faulty reasoning, American Motorcyclist Association reports.

The Community Preventive Services Task Force recommendation is based on studies of U.S. states and foreign countries that require all riders to wear helmets, those that require only minors to wear helmets and those that have no helmet requirement. The CDC task force produced no study of its own and cited no detailed analysis of crashes and fatalities to adequately assess the role of helmet laws in preventing serious injury or death in crashes. Instead, task force members merely looked at other studies and drew a generalized conclusion.

The AMA has long advocated the voluntary use of helmets, but opposes mandates because helmets do nothing to reduce the likelihood of a crash.

The AMA strongly encourages the use of personal protective equipment, including gloves, sturdy footwear and a properly fitted motorcycle helmet certified by its manufacturer to meet the DOT standard. However, adults should have the right to voluntarily decide when to wear a helmet. The AMA does not oppose laws requiring helmets for minor motorcycle operators and passengers.

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