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Non-Members...\$30
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NATIONAL LABOR DAY RALLY

Saturday

31st Annual Bike Games
Burnout Pit
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People Games



BRETZ INJURY LAW

BRETZ MAIN STAGE BRETZ

Live Bands Nightly

Saturday

Sunday

Bike Show
Dirt Drags
Live Music in Bars
People Games

Friday

No Good Johnny

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Sept 3 - 6 2021

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Newsletter Deadlines The deadline for all information turned in for your Newsletter each month is as follows. The deadline is 5:00 p.m., the Tuesday after the State Meeting unless stated otherwise. Anything received after the deadline will be subject to time-available basis only, but most likely, will not appear in that month's Newsletter! This is necessary in order to have your Newsletter to you in a timely manner. Thanks for your help and understanding.

NEXT DEADLINE: August 17th - 5PM CST





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AUGUST STATE MEETING

Saturday August, 21, 2021

10114 Old Town Trail

Ozawkie, KS 66070

MEETING STARTS AT 2 PM

AGENDA: MOMENT OF SILENCE;

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE;

ROLL CALL; SECRETARY

REPORT; FINANCIAL REPORT;

LOBBYIST REPORT; MRF REPORT;

MOTORCYCLE AWARENESS REPORT;

PUBLIC RELATION REPORT; MID-

SOUTH M.I.L.E.; CORPORATE

SECRETARY; NEWSLETTER REPORT;

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UPCOMING STATE MEETINGS:

September 11th 2pm

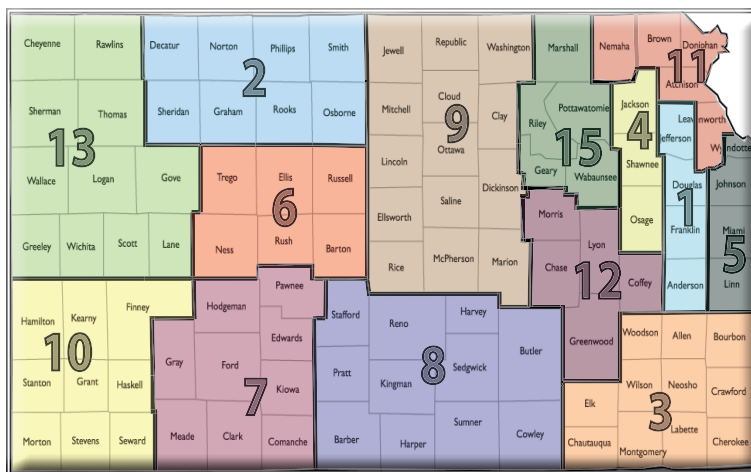
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EXCEPT FOR THE ANNUAL OCTOBER

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING, ALL

STATE MEETINGS ARE OPEN TO EVERYONE!

ABATE of Kansas District Map



A.B.A.T.E. of Kansas is divided into Districts by county. Each District header lists the encompassed counties for each respective District. To determine which District you are in, find your county name in the headers, and the number designates the containing District. Every active District of A.B.A.T.E. of Kansas has an elected District Representative.

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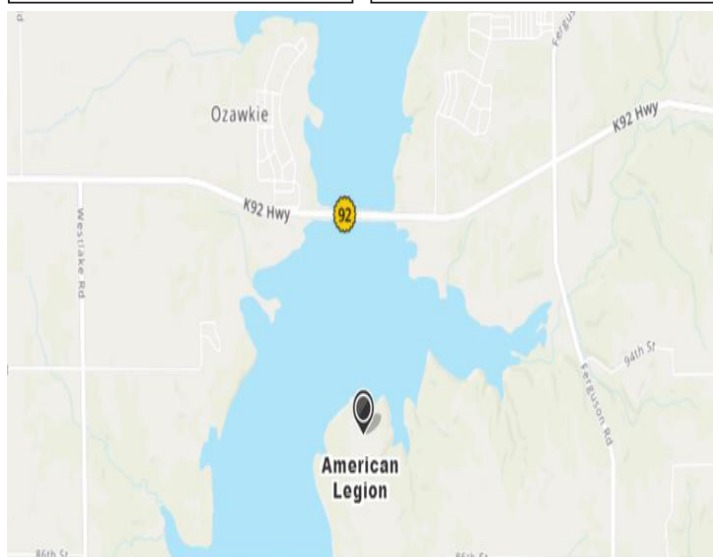
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~ State Meeting ~

Meeting called to order at 10am

Pledge of Allegiance

Moment of Silence- please keep Rick G & family in your thoughts with the loss of his brother, also the Cooper family in Dist. 9 with the loss of Jim Cooper.

Roll call- All present except Dist. 13. Bear for Dist 2, Terry for Dist 10.

Secretary Report- Amber read a condensed version of the minutes. Amber added a thank you to Byron for not only installing the new LED lights at the office but also purchasing them. A motion was made by JR (2nd by Tony RR) to approve the minutes. Motion passed by a show of hands.

Financial Report- Lori reported that Dist 6 checking account has been moved to savings account. Checking account is closed & saving

account is frozen. Lori announced that ABATE of Kansas has been approved as a 509 A2 Public charity organization! Thank you to everyone that worked on this! A special permit would be needed to hold raffles. After discussing a motion was made by Doyle (2nd by Tony R 15) to spend the money to get the permit for raffles. Motion passed with all board members voting yes. Lori said that any sponsor that has donated since Jan 20th, 2021 of more than said amount needs to be given the charitable donation receipt that she proved to each district rep. A motion was made by JR (2nd by Tony R 15 to approve the financial report. Motion passed with a show of hands.

New Business- state election nomination: VP- Tony R, Treasurer-Lori H, Member at Large- Ron V, Bill C, Sis

B. Nominations closed until August.

Labor Day Rally- work weekends have begun. Byron said that the front gate to the site has been damaged. Game trail cameras were suggested to be put up. After researching & discussing a motion was made by Brian (2nd by JR) to purchase 2 cameras for the rally front gate not to exceed the predetermined amount. Motion passed with all board members voting yes.

Help will be needed the Monday-Wednesday before the rally at the front gate from 9am-10pm. Preregistration will end August 28th at 11:59pm. Doyle asked & got clarification about the 6 essential workers needed.

Lobbyist report- please see in your newsletter

MRF report- please see in your newsletter

MidSouth Mile- Basket items still needed. Committee meeting will be the last weekend of July
Corporate Secretary- Tammy

reminded everyone that district events are not to be planned the same weekend as a state event unless that district is hosting the state meeting. Nomination & election schedules are to be followed or it could cause a district to go inactive. If you have questions contact Tammy.

Newsletter- deadlines are July 20th & August 17 by 5pm. 1 resume was received for newsletter editor. After discussing a motion was made by Brian (2nd by Dave) to accept Heather L as newsletter editor. Motion passed by a show of hands.

Thank you to Mike & everyone with the Flint Hills Rodeo Association for a great weekend! A motion was made by Doyle (2nd by Brian) to pay an additional predetermined amount to the rodeo board. Motion passed with all board members voting yes.

Bids are out to see about getting more BeAware yard signs made.

A.B.A.T.E. LAWYER REFERRAL SERVICE

At the State BOD meeting on February 13, 2021, the board voted unanimously to start a Lawyer Referral Service. Lawyers participating in the A.B.A.T.E. of Kansas Lawyer Referral Service will pay 10% of their fees from any injury claim to A.B.A.T.E. of Kansas in turn, referral fees received by the A.B.A.T.E. of Kansas Lawyer Referral Service will be used to fund the Mission of the organization.

While the goal is to always keep two wheels down, we all have experienced other motorists not keeping a lookout for motorcycles, turning in front of us, or driving while distracted. The Referral Service will ensure that attorneys participating in the program support the Mission of A.B.A.T.E. of Kansas, are motorcycle riders who are highly experienced in representing motorcyclists in Kansas, and understand the unique legal and insurance issues surrounding motorcyclists.

All injury claims - motorcycle, car, truck, semi, dangerous product, dangerous premises, etc. - qualify for the service. Additionally, in an effort to make sure that members have adequate insurance, lawyers participating in the referral service will be available to review insurance policies and coverages on members' policies at no cost.

To refer an injury claim, please contact Lori Harden or Tammy Ward-Railsback.

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Attention District Reps and Treasurers!

Please send your Treasurer reports to the following:
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Thank you, Lori Harden, Treasurer
ABATE of Kansas





Thank you to everyone that came out & helped & had fun at the 1st Flint Hills Motorcycle Mayhem!

Upcoming Events

Drawing- Sandy
Meeting adjourned at 1130am



Taking a vacation this month! Look forward to our President Byron Harden's article, thoughts and/or ponderings next month. See you at the ABATE of Kansas 46th Annual National Labor Day Rally September 3-6th at Paradise Point.



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Upcoming 2021 Events

46th Annual Labor Day Rally Sept. 3-6 Lake Perry
Mid-South M.I.L.E. October 22-24 - Dallas, TX
MRF Meeting of the Minds Sept.-23 Atlanta, GA
(all events subject to date change and/or cancellation)

AUGUST ADVANCE NEWS

DISTRICT 1 - Meetings are 3rd Sunday start at 1:00 pm
District Meeting – August 15th Kansas, Rally Site Paradise Point Lake Perry 1pm, contact Bill Saric 785-207-7993
District 2 – Meetings are Usually the 2nd Sunday, 4:00 pm
District Meeting – August, Meeting TBD 4pm
Call District Rep Larry Kibbee for info 785-623-0420
District 3 - Meetings are Sunday - Day After State meeting, 1 pm
ABATE Kids Play Day-August 14th
District Meeting – August 22nd, Sassy's, 233 N Hwy 75, Sycamore, Ks, 1pm
District 4 - Meetings are the 2nd Sunday, 1pm
District Meeting– August 8th, Rally Site Paradise Point Lake Perry 1pm
District 5 - Meetings are the 1st Sunday, Noon.
District Meeting– Saturday August 7th, Rally Site Paradise Point Lake Perry
District 7 – District Meeting -TBD- Contact District Rep Glenna Day 620-826-5293
District 8 - Meetings are the 2nd Sunday, 1:00pm
August 20, 21 and 22 - Booth T&O Drags - Wichita
District Meeting – August 8th, Potwin Community Building, 201 Mill S, 1 pm
District 9 - Meetings are 2nd Sunday, Eat at Noon- Meeting at 1pm
District Meeting – August 8th - Bob & Juanita's, 110 S Michigan, Delphos, KS 1pm
District 10 – Meetings are 1st Sunday, Noon- District Mtg
District meeting August 1st, American Legion Post 9, 405 S Main, Garden City Ks, Noon
Poker Chip Run – August 7th, VFW Post 2279, 1101 W Mary, Garden City, Ks registration begins at 7am
District 11 – District Meeting – August 8th, Field Events site, 2pm
District 12 - Meetings are 2nd Sunday start at 1:00 pm
District Meeting – August 15th. August 15 VFW Post 1980, 932 Graphic Arts Rd, Emporia, KS, 2pm
District 13 - Meetings are second Sunday, 2pm
District Meeting, August 8th - Dreamer's, 101 S Dodge Rd, Healy Ks. Ks 2pm
District 15 - Meetings are the 2nd Sunday, start at 2pm,
District Meeting– August 8th, 402 Commercial St, Greenleaf, Ks 2pm
State Meetings & Events
State Meeting - August 21st, American Legion Post 225, 10114 Old Town Trail, Ozawie Ks, 2pm
September 2-6 ABATE of Kansas 46th Annual National Labor Day Rally. Paradise Point, Lake Perry Ozawie, Ks
State Meeting- September 11, American Legion Post 225, 10114 Old Town Trail, Ozawie Ks, 2pm





Lobbyist Report

Lobbyist Report July 2021

There is not much going on right now at the state capitol.. There are a lot of new names coming out right now for candidates for state and local governments for the Primary August 3rd 2021 Please do your research for the candidates in your area or district.

We will continue to work on the Vulnerable Road Bill User and the Profiling Bills and any continued support on the Hands free bill in the next upcoming legislative year.

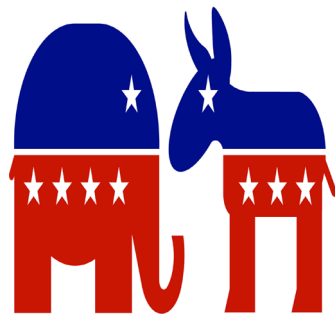
Dates of interest if you can attend The Meeting of The Minds Sept. 23 thru the 26th. In Atlanta Ga. The Mid South Mile Oct. 22nd thru the 24th, in Dallas Tx. Flyer and

registration form are in this newsletter.

As always I will continue to watch for legislative news pertaining to the motorcycling community for better or worse

RESPECTFULLY

Tony Railsback
ABATE of Kansas
Lobbyist



NOTICE:

All submissions to Newsletter including event flyers, district minutes, ballots and all other items must be submitted to Corporate Secretary for approval prior to publication.

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Any submissions received after deadline will be held for the next month's publication. No exceptions.

Put down the phone. JUST DRIVE.



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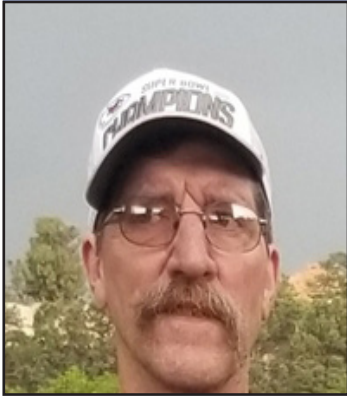
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IN MEMORIAM



Terry Lynn Gitchel
April 25, 1957 - June 26, 2021

Phillipsburg, KS, resident Terry Lynn Gitchel passed away unexpectedly Saturday, June 26, 2021, in a farming accident operating an ATV in rural Phillips County, KS at the age of 64.

Terry was born April 25, 1957 in Phillipsburg, KS the son of Melvin Roy and Anna Louise (Johnson) Gitchel, the 5th of 8 children, and grew to manhood on the family farm.

He was united in marriage to Donna Kaye Schumacher on October 23, 1982 in Phillipsburg. From this union came three daughters: Tara, Karma and Shelby. He is survived by his wife, Donna, of the home.

Other survivors include his three daughters Tara Burnham and husband Robin of Arvada, CO, Karma Steelsmith and husband Ron of Phillipsburg, and Shelby Thomas and husband Andrew of Leavenworth, KS; a niece, who was like his daughter, Kimberly Krebs and husband Fritz of Atwood, KS; nine grandchildren: Kennedy (Elmer) Burris and husband Brian, Wyatt, Tehya, Garyn, and Edwyn Burnham, Kihyna,

Kameron, Kymber, and Kendryck Steelsmith; five brothers Ralph, Roy, and Rick and wife Sharolyn, all of Phillipsburg Don of Hays, and Gary Littrell and wife Peggy of Phillipsburg; three sisters, Merry Reeh of Oberlin, KS, Sandra Johnson and husband Dennis of Agra, KS, and Susan Lacey and husband "Bean" of Kenai, AK; sister-in-law Jeannie Scharper and husband Anthony of Mahaska, Kansas, sister-in-law Mary Reiter and husband Kenny of Mankato; and numerous Nieces, Nephews, and Great Nieces and Great Nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Melvin and Louise (Johnson) Gitchel, several great-nieces and great-nephews and other close relatives.

Terry and Donna met one summer afternoon when Terry's brother Gary called Donna over to meet him. After dating five years, Donna and Terry were united in marriage and established their home in Phillipsburg.

Terry was employed at Tamko at the age of 17, unloading trucks by hand, and continued his career there for 30 years. Terry was a mentor to many people throughout the years, patiently teaching them how to drive a forklift, as well as many other tasks.

Terry worked at Orscheln for several years. He was a reliable and patient employee, trusted by many local farmers to know where items were located and if they were in stock. He got dubbed the "ninja forklift operator" when they were moving from the old store to the new one.

Terry was also a seasonal farm hand for several local farmers, always reliable and knowing just exactly what was expected on the job. Terry could operate almost any piece of equipment.

Terry was a "tinkerer." He was a talented mechanic who could tear things apart and repair them, many times to the surprise of others. Tara recalls that her first lawn mower was resurrected from the city dump. Terry brought it home and fixed it and it served the family well for five or six years.

His most recent position was at USD #325. The teachers appreciated his quiet, patient ways as he went about his work.

As a brother, husband, father and uncle, Terry seemed a man of few words, but loved a good prank. He rode bulls in his early years, and always loved the rodeo.

Terry had an ornery side, loving a good party, wedding dance, or other family event. He could cut a rug with the best of them, often resembling a one-man square dance, but he always had fun, including putting his niece's bed on top of her roof on her wedding night and dancing on tables at Shelby's wedding.

His wife and kids brought out the fun and silly side of Terry. During cherished family moments he revealed his true self by singing a repertoire of country songs with a five-octave range.

Terry had so many interesting hobbies. He was involved in wrestling as a youth and enjoyed it throughout high school. The Weinman boys recalled hating wrestling with long-legged opponents.

He enjoyed beekeeping, fishing, hunting, skiing, riding horses and gardening (he could

grow anything – he sang to all his plants). He discouraged Shelby from gardening though, "She didn't sing pretty enough!"

Terry was a member of the Church of God in Phillipsburg, Kansas, and was baptized in 2005 along with his wife, Donna.

Terry had high expectations of his girls and they made him very proud in everything they did. Throughout their school years, further education, marriages, and raising families, Terry loved his family more than anything in the world. He was fondly called "Papa" or "Papa Terry" by his nine grandchildren, who will miss him greatly.

Terry will be so missed by his family, many friends, former and current co-workers. Terry was a wonderful, kind and patient soul. A great example to others of how to love and live your life well.

Funeral services will be 10:30 a.m. Monday, July 5, 2021 in the Olliff-Boeve Memorial Chapel, Phillipsburg, with Pastor Jay Brandon officiating. The services will be streamed on Olliff-Boeve Memorial Chapels Facebook page. Burial will follow in the Fairview Cemetery, Phillipsburg.

Terry will lie in state from noon until 9 p.m. Saturday and Sunday with the family receiving friends Sunday afternoon from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. all in the Olliff-Boeve Memorial Chapel, Phillipsburg.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Little Kids Softball and Baseball Program or the Phillipsburg High School Amendment.





IN MEMORIAM



JIMMY LEE SCHAFFER

July 19, 1945 - May 4, 2021

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JAMES L. COOPER

Feb. 18, 1957 — June 19, 2021

James L. Cooper, age 64, of rural Chapman, passed away Saturday, June 19, 2021 at his home near Chapman.

He was born Feb. 18, 1957 in Junction City, Kansas the son of James Smith and Kelta Louise (Tracy) Cooper. He graduated from Chapman High School and worked for Russell Stover.

Jim enjoyed riding motorcycles, raising honeybees and sheep on the farm where he was dedicated to caring for his father until he died and was currently caring for his mother.

Jimmy was also a talented writer of poetry and short stories. He attended Sutphens Mill Christian Church as a child and as a young adult out of high school, he served his country as a Marine. On May 25, 2010, he married Brenda Dopp in Valley Center. She survives in the home.

Other survivors include his sons Paul Cooper of the home, Frank Cooper of Manhattan, daughter Addie Cooper of Palm Coast, Florida, sisters Kathy Norton of Grandview Plaza, Kansas, Connie Krier of Chapman, Kansas, Vicki Deleon and her husband Alex of Wakefield, Twyla LaRocca and her husband Vince of Upland, and grandson Benjamin. He was preceded in death by his father James, niece Maggie Price, and a nephew Levi Norton.

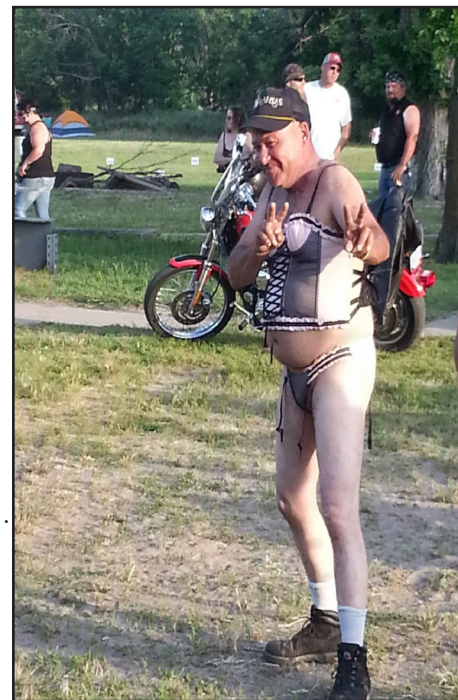
Jimmy will be remembered as a dedicated friend to all lucky enough to be called his friend.

He had a great sense of humor and would give the shirt off his back to anyone in need and will be greatly missed.

A come and go visitation will be from 2 to 6 p.m. July 11, at Walt's 4 Seasons, 2500 Mink Road, Abilene.

Memorial contributions may be made to ABATE of Kansas and may be sent in care of the Londeen-Overlease Funeral Chapel, P.O. Box 411, Chapman, Kansas 67431.

Condolences may be sent to the family at londeenfuneralchapel.com.





August 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 District Meeting 10	2	3	4	5	6	7 District Meeting 5 District 10 Poker Chip Run
8 District Meeting 2, 4, 8, 9, 11, 13, 15	9	10	11	12	13	14 District 3 Kids Play Day
15 District Meeting 1, 12	16	17	18	19	20	21 State Meeting 2 pm Ozawkie Legion
22 District Meeting 3,	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31	September 1	September 2 LDR Early Bird Entry 2-10pm	September 3 LDR Gates Open at noon Preregistered 9am	September 4 LDR

ABATE Of Kansas 46th Annual National Labor Day Rally September 3-6, 2021
Thursday September 2nd - Early entry for work weekend volunteers 9am. Early Bird Entry 2-10 pm
Friday September 3rd - Preregistered Gate opens 9am. For all others paying at the gate Noon Entry





DISTRICT



Anderson, Douglas, Franklin and Jefferson

district1.abateks.org

District Rep Bill Saric
785-207-7993



District 1 meeting was cancelled due to a family emergency, please keep Cory in your prayers. Next ABATE of Kansas District 1 meeting

will be held August 15 at the Labor Day Rally grounds 1pm. Nominations for our elections will be held this day, we need everyone to attend.

DISTRICT



Decatur, Graham, Norton, Osborne, Phillips, Rooks, Sheridan, Smith

District Rep Larry Kibbee
785-623-0420



Meeting was called to order by Larry, with the Pledge Of Allegiance & a Moment Of Silence for Fallen Brothers & Sisters.

Due to Secretary being on Vacation last months minutes were not available. I apologize for not getting them in the Newsletter.

Treasurer's Report & Awareness Report given by Bear & approved.

Discussed State Meeting, refer to your newsletter for more info.

We would like to offer our sincere condolences to the Gitchel Family for the sudden passing of Terry. He will be missed by many. Thank You Card was read from the family.

Nominations were Bear for Treasurer & accepted. Larry for District & accepted & Bear for Assistant Secretary & accepted.

Thank You Card was also received from the Phillips County Rural Fire Department for our

Donation from the Porker Run.

Old Business discussed Porker Run results.

New Business Discussion on Casino Night Motion to hold Casino Night January 8th at Bullseye Event Center in Norton Kansas. Moved by Von seconded by Carla. Cost to be determined.

Motion to have a 2022 Bike Show, Moved & seconded. Approved Hold it at the Phillipsburg Community Building, Third Weekend in April.

August Meeting will be at Von's House in Norton. 803 N. Archer Norton Kansas. September Meeting will be at Gary's House in Phillipsburg 852 6th Street. Phillipsburg, Ks.

Meeting Adjourned. Thank you Bear for taking minutes for me & hosting the meeting.

Ride Safe Everyone & See You At The Next Meeting Peggy, District 2 Secretary

There were 32 members and 2 guests in attendance JR called the meeting to order at 1 p.m. the Pledge of Allegiance was recited and we had a moment of silence for our fallen brothers and sisters. County rep call Montgomery County, Bill and Tracey – yes, Chautauqua County, Sledge- no, Crawford County, Denny- no, Wilson County, Vince- no, Neosho County, Dick - yes, Cherokee County, Tammy- yes, Elk County, Jamon- yes, Labette County, Nick- yes, Allen County, Curtis- no, Bourbon County, still open, Woodson County, Paula- yes.

Windy read the secretary's report. Dave motioned to accept, Sherry 2nd and all passed.

Kitty read the financial report. Dave made a motion to accept, Chuck 2nd, all passed.

Amy made a motion to give \$ from our down biker fund to Mendoza as he went down on his bike last month Dave 2nd, all passed. The down biker fund was talked about. We need to make sure and add an amendment to the bylaws that it is just for a brother or sister that does go down on their bike. We had an open discussion to get a CD or two, Kitty is going to figure out the different options and bring it to the next meeting.

Dave asked for a \$ to continue sponsorship for the schools and having our District 3 Logo on the scoreboards at the sports complex. Sherry 2d, all passed.

Sherry C. spoke about products we need to get more ordered at this time. Sherry is going to check on a mobile unit possibly to do shirts during events.

JR referred everyone to their newsletter for the state report as

he did not make it to the state meeting yesterday. Motorcycle Mayhem is happening July, 9, 10, and 11th. We have paid the entry for the drag queen which was voted on and JR is going to participate. We have the sled pulls Friday night. Amy made a motion to accept, Dave 2nd, all passed.

Old business:

the appreciation party is June 26th. Tammy made a motion for John to cater the food, Jamon 2nd, all passed and it is a BYOB. Please make sure and get those RSVPs in.

The Neosho County First Responders event was scheduled for June 12th it was changed to August 21st. Jamon made a motion for that change to take effect Tammy 2nd, all passed. We are still working on getting first aid and CPR training done at the First Responders event.

Rider's safety course it's going to be checked on by Jamon and hopefully we get one of those in the near future.

New Business:

Girard bike show and rally committee was set as followed, gate - Linda and Tammy D., Security- Bill, Vendors –Steve, Clean up and Set up - JR, Sound and Bands – Dustin, sponsors – Windy, Bike show - is tabled, Games - Donovan and Dave made a motion to ask District 3, Sherry 2nd, all passed, Bike drags - District 11, hopefully as soon as they are asked to do so again. Issues from last year were brought up and are as followed, power issues will be addressed. It will be the parent's discretion for kids to be outside the campsite after hours as the kid needs to remain with the parent. Nighttime kids out on the road due to poor lighting. Need more vendors and more food vendors. Daily meetings for

DISTRICT



Allen, Bourbon, Chautauqua, Cherokee, Crawford, Elk, Labette, Montgomery, Neosho, Wilson and Woodson

district3.abateks.org

District Rep JR Watts
806-217-1160



The June meeting for Abate District 3 was held Sunday June

13th at the Pittsburg American Legion in Pittsburg, Kansas.





the committee need to happen. We need some kind of radio or PA system. T-shirt designs are open; we need them 30 to 60 days before the event to turn it in the winner will obviously have your design on the shirt and receive a free T-shirt. Members voted on gate charges staying the same as they had been with kids under 12 getting in free. Vendor charges are tabled for now and electric usage, Chargers are also tabled for now. Having two beer gardens instead of one was brought up and also having an ice vendor.

The following positions on the board are open four nominations, Secretary - Member-at-large - Sergeant of Arms and District Rep. Everyone is more than welcome to nominate someone until November.

There have been some insurance issues for the state of Kansas cap on personal injury. Bretz and Young are going to talk to us in the near future. Make

sure and look at your motorcycle insurance about passengers and or other drivers that you allowed to use your bike. MRF is addressing the insurance issues please follow the MRF Facebook page as well.

Events coming up are Small town Poker Run, July 10th, starts in Moline Kansas and ends in Independence Kansas. Motorcycle Mayhem is July 9, 10, 11TH in Strong City Kansas.

We would like to thank the two guests that showed up for meeting and became our two newest members. Welcome to D3!

Dave made a motion to adjourn, Dick 2nd, all passed.

It's that time of year there are a lot of events going on. I wish everyone well in everything you decide to do, just do it safely. Can't wait to see you all at the next meeting July 11th at Dan's bar in Elk City, Kansas 1 p.m.

different sizes and cost of safety deposit boxes. A 3X10 box was motioned by Jamon and all was in favor. Troll made the motion to accept the financial report Tim 2nd, all passed.

Sherry talked about products and we do need to get new products ordered. JR was going to be working on getting more hats.

JR read the state report we are now a 509 2A public charity, anyone that has picked up donations as of January 20, 2021 over \$ please go back and make sure they get a donation paper for a tax write-off. JR took 3rd place in the motorcycle Mayhem drag queen competition. Way2go D3 rep we knew you could do it! Please go to District 3 public Facebook page for pictures if you would like to see them. Please refer to your newsletter for all other reviews. Sherry made a

motion to accept the state report Jamon 2nd, all passed.

Old business: Dan's bar Poker Run was a lot of fun. Everyone missed out that wasn't there Jamon won the poker hand and Russell won the 50/50. Congratulations to you both. First Responders for Neosho County is a go, we still need donations. If anyone gets a donation in Neosho County please call Joe Jenkins at 620-212-3172. A flyer has been approved. Please remember anyone making flyers that need to be voted on by our members and then sent to the state for approval. Dave made a motion for a \$ minimum donation for your name to be put on the back of the shirt Tim 2nd, all passed. Brotherton made a motion to have all shirts made red and blue colored Linda 2nd, all passed. Amy made a motion to order 100 shirts for this event Jamon 2nd, all passed. Amy made a motion to spend \$ on a water slide kid's kickball game Troll 2nd, all passed. Jamon has been working on a motorcycle safety class, he is still working on that he brought some information and it is tabled until next month.

New business: kids play day it's August 14th at 12 p.m. JR presented the flyer Tim made a motion to accept the flyer Linda 2nd, all passed. Steve went out and reserved spots for this day. If you would like to camp, a 30 amp plug-in is \$ a night, 50 amps is \$ a night. Tim made a motion to pay Steve back the money he spent on reserving so many spots, Troll 2nd, all passed. D3 decided the food would be through donation and to serve hot dogs and hamburgers. Dustin volunteered to grill. Thank you Dustin very much! Tim made a motion for admission to cost as \$, under the age of 14 is free. Amy 2nd all passed. Dry Creek

Bikers ball is coming up in October. D3 is supporting the event like last year and reminded them that the D3 logo can go on the flyer but not the state logo. D3 will be setting up a product's booth. Donovan and Kirby are asking us for help with the gates, games, bike show and trash. If anyone would like to help them please call Dry Creek. D3 was asked to help with Papa Shapers Memorial August 7th we were asked to bring napkins, paper plates, silverware and cups. Jennifer made a motion to do that Linda 2nd, all passed. Shaffer's Memorial will be August 7th 12 p.m. at Elks Lake for anyone who would like to attend. John Smith offered to donate the above items. John, you do a lot for our district thank you very much. The trailer talked about again, JR's going to the next Fairground meeting to discuss the storage building. Denny made a motion to get an awning for the trailer, Sherry 2nd, all passed.

Don't forget to mark your calendars for the kids play date August 14th at Elks Lake in Chanute Kansas at 12 p.m. and Neosho County First Responders at Elks Lake August 21st, ride begins at 11 a.m. District 11 is having their motorcycle field events and Dirt Drags July 23rd and 24th gates open at 3 p.m. please see the flyer from District 11. Let's go support them as they have supported us.

Paula Jones won the door prize, congratulations Paula and thank you for donating it all back. Dave motion to adjourn Sherry seconded I'll pass.

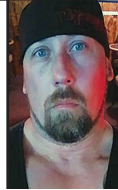
Next meeting we hope to see you all at is August 22nd at Sassy's in Sycamore Kansas 1 p.m.

ride safe and hope to see you all at the events!





Jackson, Osage and Shawnee
 abateksd4.com
 District Rep Chris Love
 785-207-5678



The July meeting was held at Julie and Kyle Riggle's home in Mayetta. Thank you for hosting the meeting. RC called the meeting to order at 1:17 PM. There were 10 members and guests present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, followed by a moment of silence for lost brothers and sisters, our military and first responders. RC also thanked Alvin and Karen for their support of the district over the years.

Secretary's Report: June 13th meeting minutes: Frank moved that we read them in the newsletter, Karen seconded, approved.

Treasurer's Report: Paul asked Jennifer to introduce herself as the newly elected Treasurer for the District. She did, and then reported on the status of the bank account, including the Rescue Mission Ride contributions, and the donations for tickets for the fire pit, and the current balances in the checking and savings account. We also discussed obtaining a "square" in order to accept payments for products and other needs. We agreed to doing this. Paul moved to accept the treasurer's report, Kyle seconded, approved.

State meeting report: The meeting was in Strong City today, in conjunction with the Motorcycle Mayhem event, so no report today.

AMA/MRF Report: Please read the MRF report in the newsletter. Join the MRF and the AMA in order to support our advocates in Washington.

Old Business:
 Fundraiser: Custom firepit from E and K Metal Works in Emporia, we have tickets members can check out, and will draw for it after the Labor Day Rally.
 2021 District 4 Calendar of events: We've had discussion about making sure we have meetings in all three counties. Paul suggested that we have at least 2 meetings in Jackson and Osage counties. Chris is going to talk to the people at Banner Creek about having a meeting there in September. Jennifer offered her house as a backup if Banner does not work, as did Julie. We discussed having another meeting in Osage County in October, instead of at Echo Cliff, which is in Wabaunsee County. Paul will check out a business in Overbrook that might be a good place for a meeting.

Rescue Mission Ride was June 27th: There were approximately 30 riders for the event. Frank brought up an issue about not having a top supporter plaque this year and said that he understood the Board voted to not present it. Steve stated that is incorrect, as the Board never met and discussed this. It apparently was simply an oversight. After discussing the issue, Benny moved that the District obtain a plaque and present it to the appropriate contributors. Kyle seconded, approved.

That lead to a discussion that we used to have an outline referred to as "the Bible" that defined what we do and when,

including different events the District is involved with. RC asked that the older members get together and try to redefine these activities, so we recreate that list.

New Business:

Sign-up sheet for the Rally was provided: We need help at the Beer Garden and Fire Pit Ticket sales booth.

RFTW Savings account on the D4 banking account: Can we specify with the bank that this is a RFTW account with the bank? Benny moved that we ask the bank to name the account RFTW, Frank seconded, approved.

Toys for Tots: Chris has another vendor to do shirts, will get both long and short sleeves, and hoodies. Hoodies would need to be paid for in advance. We will need a design draft by September and finalize in October.

Drawing items are something we can start collecting soon as well. Chris will talk with the Woodshed about ending

the ride there. The previous contacts at the Walmart on 37th are no longer there, so we need to reach out to them to see if we are still welcome there.

District 4 Policies and Procedures need to be reviewed and updated. The Board will review and then take proposed P & P to the District. Paul suggested that we also consider including a requirement that beer garden workers at the Rally must be ABATE members.

Upcoming Events:

Work weekends at Paradise Point, now until Labor Day weekend

Labor Day Rally, September 3-6

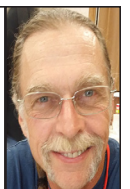
August 4th at Papan's Landing at 5:30 (will confirm)

August 8th at Paradise Point
 Kyle moved to adjourn at 2:23 PM, seconded by Benny, approved.



Johnson, Linn, Miami and Wyandotte
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District Rep Tony Rawls-Riley
 913-706-8449

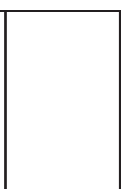


ABATE of Kansas district 5 had a small meeting at Motorcycle Mayhem, we mostly talked about district 5

work weekend at the Labor Day Rally grounds August 6-8 with the August meeting on the 7th at noon.



Barton, Ellis, Ness, Rush,
 Russell, Trego



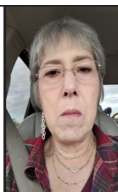
INACTIVE





Clark, Comanche, Edwards, Ford, Gray,
Hodgeman, Kiowa, Meade, Pawnee

District Rep Glenna Day
620-826-5293



Meeting June 19, 2021 Dist. 7 Rep brought our meeting to order at 3pm at the rodeo grounds. Opened with the pledge of allegiance and a moment of silence.

Minutes were waived. Treasurers report was accepted.

State meeting report was given by Glenna. Flint Hill Rally in Strong City, Motorcycle profiling HR366 was discussed.

Old Business: MidSouth Mile hat will be passed at next meeting. Labor Day Rally will need help with cleanup before and after the rally.

District Bike Run-discussed donors from before and new ones to contact. Everything is on track. Free will donation for lunch after run. We need to ask Gina, Brittney, and Oosa if they will be in charge of the

food. Glenna has signs to use for markers for the run. We need auction items. We will start meeting weekly for the run. Everyone involved with the run will meet to discuss the next steps. Next meeting will be June 25th at Richard's.

Talked about the ease of doing memberships on line. Highly recommended. Very easy to do.

Went over list of expiring memberships. Glenna will get letter wrote and sent to all expiring memberships with forms.

No membership drawing or door prize given this month.

Jennifer with update her spreadsheet for prizes for the run.

Meeting adjourned at 3:40.

Janae Knoeber

Awareness report:
Discussion on highway signs. Motion 921-035 to purchase materials for highway signs.

Product report: Still have products available.

Website report: All updated. Facebook is current. Thanks to all of the administrators of the Facebook page in keeping it current.

Old business: None
New Business:
Nominations- assistant dist rep...Earl, Treasurer...Cindy, Secretary...Kevin. Nominations

closed

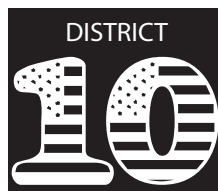
New Business: Motion 921-036 on gun drawing.

Discussion on moving Sept meeting location to Harvey County West park

Drawing : Myrna W

Thanks to Dave and Steph for hosting the meeting and to everyone else for their help and the food.

Next meeting Aug 8th at Bob and Juanita in Delphos.



Finney, Grant, Hamilton, Haskell, Kearney,
Morton, Seward, Stanton, Stevens

620-640-8471
Milton "John" Mowery



ABATE of Kansas District 10 meeting was on July 2, 2021 at American Legion in Garden City. The meeting started at 6 pm John M District Rep. There were 3 board members present with Wendy on phone due to deployment in Arizona. There were 2 other members present.

The secretary and treasurer report was waved and not read, motioned by Red, and seconded by Rick.

This was a short meeting to discuss getting a benefit going on August 7. We chose a date and decided to do the benefit Rick motioned it and Kelly seconded it. We then discussed the name and route. We also will be drawing poker chips and the winner will be based on the outcome of riders but will be first, second, and third place. The bars in Copeland and in Sublette want us to start stopping there more and they want to support ABATE of Kansas District 10 in any way they can. Wendy said she would design flyers and make available and also the t-shirts.

Discussion on when the last day to order shirts or to get sponsors names on shirts would be July 15 so please let Wendy know so she can order and prepay for shirts.

There are also shirts left over from the Bike Show and Pipe Run in June if you did not get one and want one to get a hold of John or Linda Mowery they have the extras. John also mentioned that he is working on getting a storage shed for our ABATE stuff so we can keep it in one central location.

Also the Bike Show and Pipe Run went over pretty good and the funding was amazing for that with donations still coming in for that in mail.

John closed the meeting down at 7 pm after Rick motioned there was no further business and Kelly seconded it.

The next meeting will be at the American Legion Post 9 in Garden City, Kansas at NOON sharp on August 1, 2021. Breakfast 8 to 11 set price all you can eat. Hope to see you all out there.



Barber, Butler, Cowley, Harper, Harvey, Kingman,
Pratt, Reno, Sedgwick, Stafford, Sumner

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District Rep Brian Van Dyke
316-217-1446



No Meeting in July



Clay, Cloud, Dickinson, Ellsworth, Jewell, Marion, McPherson,
Mitchell, Ottawa, Republic, Rice, Saline, Washington

district9.abateks.org

District Rep David Zeller
620-755-5445



The ABATE of Kansas district 9 meeting was called to order at 1:06 pm on July 17th with the pledge of allegiance and a moment of silence given, with 19 members, and 2 county reps and 5 guests

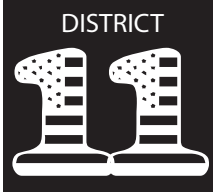
present.

The secretary's report was given and approved.

The treasurer report was given and approved.

State News: See state news in the newsletter.





Atchison, Brown, Doniphan,
Leavenworth, Nemaha
district11.abateks.org
District Rep Doyle Pendergraft
913-704-9233



ABATE of Kansas District 11 meeting was called to order at 2:19pm, July 18th and we had 13 members and 2 guests. The meeting started with the Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence.

Secretary read notes from last meeting.

Treasurer went over the financials.

Brown Co. Rep got a sponsor, signs are about ready they just need painted. Doniphan Co. Rep said all the donations from the Jesse's Run go towards the Gary Sinise Foundation. Atchison Co. Rep said they had 34 people that did the Poker Run, it was a really good turn out! There will be another run again next year. Leavenworth Co. Rep is MIA. Nemaha Co. Rep we still need a rep!

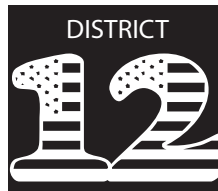
Products- Lea said the hats

have been received and they turned out really nice! Shirts were ordered just waiting for them to be finished.

State Report- Doyle went over the notes from the state meeting. If anyone wants to get in the Labor Day Rally early (Thursday morning) you have to get your 12 hours in!

Field Events- Nate wants to run the gate a little differently this year. Amanda and Ruth will be running the front gate this year. The band, on Saturday, this year is Strange Highways who is also bringing another band with him, The Rockin' Blues. We went over the music for Friday night.

Next meeting is at the District 11 Field Events Site in Hiawatha on August 8 at 2:00pm. Meeting ended at 3:07pm.



Chase, Coffey, Greenwood,
Lyon and Morris
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District Rep Barry "Nasty" Lorson
785-258-4007



ABATE of Kansas Dist 12 meeting 7-11-21 was held at the Strong City Rodeo grounds. Rep Barry Lorson called the meeting to order at 2:05, We started it off with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence.

There was a motion to wave the mins and treasures report this month 2nd and passed,

We talked about the State meeting and The First Motorcycle Mayhem that was

this weekend it was a Great time a Big Thank You to Everyone, Flint Hills Rodeo Association, Chase Co Sheriff's Dept., CWF Graphic Art, Fire Dept, Aron and Kathy, Sarge, Charles and CMA, Ivy, Gavyn Leaya Francis, Mr Jones, Tom Heathman, to Everyone who worked the beer sales, Mike Swift. Shelia and Scott Metcalfe, Barry Lorson, Karlee Dawes, Randy, Ed Martin, Lori and Byron Harden,

Tammy and Tony Railsback All the A.B.A.T.E Dist. Reps and their people to help and most of All Thank You To All that Attended and Supported this event.

We went on to talk about the Meeting of the Minds in September And the Mile in October, We talked about our Benefit Ride for this year we had 2 people that were brought

to our attention. There was a vote to donate said amount to each individual in stead of doing a Benefit Ride. The next meeting is August 15th at 2pm VFW in Emporia Ks. Love to see everyone there.

Once Again Thank You Everyone Who Help make The Motorcycle Mayhem a Success.
Ride Safe!
Tish



Cheyenne, Greeley, Gove, Lane, Logan, Rawlin,
Scott, Sherman, Thomas, Wallace, Wichita
ksabate13@wbsnet.org
District Rep Neil O'Connell
620-214-0485



ABATE of Kansas District 13 met Sunday, July 11th, 2021, at The Caddyshack at Riverside in St Francis. Thank you Robert and staff for a fabulous cool area to hold our meeting. The food was great!

All Board members were present, except the assistant rep and member at large. We had 15 members in attendance.

District Rep Neil O, called the meeting to order at 2:32 pm central time. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, followed by a Moment of Silence for our fallen brothers and sisters.

Secretary Report: Written minutes we presented to all members. Mona asked if members liked having the minutes posted on our Facebook page. Everyone in attendance does appreciate having them posted after meetings. Emmett motioned, to accept the report as written, Kevin seconded. Motion passed

Treasurer Report: Jimbo's first report showed that the district made a nice profit from our event. Most bills have been paid, with a few reimbursements still remaining.

Thank you to all who came out and supported the Buffalo Run rally, helped with sponsorships, bought and sold raffle tickets, without your member support our district cannot survive. As an appreciation for all your help, today's lunch was paid by Abate #13. Emmett motioned to accept the treasurer report, Stu seconded. Motion carried.

State Report: As always, please read your newsletter for the latest on the 2021 Labor Day Rally and other state reports. There is a need for volunteers for cleanup at the LDR site before the rally, members that do volunteer receive early entry if 12 hrs in time. Members can also volunteer during the rally. Please reach out to Neil and he will provide that information or the state office. The State meeting was held this morning, unfortunately no one was able to attend. At the last state meeting #13's District Rep, Neil addressed the board with concerns over district issues. Other than what was mentioned in the state's meeting minutes in July's newsletter, we are still waiting on their resolution and





plan of action on this issue. Neil has asked and recommended mediation between the two district reps and all parties involved. It is encouraged to carry on and focus on the good that ABATE does as a whole brotherhood.

Old Business:

Buffalo Run Rally. Although we had a new venue location, it turned out to be a BIG success. Again we want to THANK all volunteers that helped. It was asked by a member, if we are returning next year to Marienthal, this question was tabled as not all board members were present. **Winners of Guns; Fun Gun Run** winner was: Luisa E. AR 15 winners: Charles S and Caleb L. Congratulations to all winners! Don't forget we still have tickets for the third AR 15, Winner will be announced as soon as all tickets have been sold.

Xmas in July is July 24th. This is a toy run with 2 routes. With concerns of extreme heat and unable to secure cooling fans, we moved the Hanger party to "The Rec" in Scott City. They have partnered with us on this event. 2 Bands are playing. Brady Nichols featuring Cody Sager and Esper Winds closing out the evening. Please make plans to spend the night in Scott City.

Biketember Fest: Mona reported that the band has been booked, they will play during the day. This event will be from 10 to 6 pm. The LUCKY 13 "Backasswards Run" with \$\$\$\$ total payout in prizes, will be a "go at your own pace" this year. First bike out at 10:15 am last bike in by 3:30 pm. Maps will be provided. Last month the district purchased an original "Harley Charlie" 1905 Harley wooden sculpture

to raffle off. The board met and voted to apply all proceeds to Cheryl O cancer treatment. The winner will be announced during the event. Also a metal flag will be raffled off during event.

Neil still needs to finish framing our banner for display at the St Francis Motorcycle museum.

Andrea motioned to close old business, Emmett seconded. Motion passed.

New Business:

Breast Cancer Awareness Ride has been handed back to District 10, as it was their annual ride.

Chuck motioned to close new business, Jimbo seconded. Motion passed.

Memberships: This was a heavy month and year for losses in the rolls. Please remember to renew your ABATE memberships so that ABATE of Kansas can continue to lobby for you rights as a motorcycle rider.

Announcements: Be sure to check and like our "District #13 A.B.A.T.E of Kansas" Facebook page for updates on rides and events.

Abate 13 District meetings:

August 8th Dream Bar and Grill in Healy, KS 2 pm
Sept 19th St Francis, morning after the Biketember Fest
Xmas in July Toy Run July 24th Scott City
KBBOB Ride Garden City July 31st
Tri State meeting August 1st Kevin Plummer's House
TRI- State 30th Annual Summer Bash August 20 -22nd Russell Springs
Biketember Fest Sept 18th in St Francis
Stu motion to adjourn, Emmett D seconded. Motion passed. Meeting ended 4:08pm
Respectful submitted

Mona

7/13/2021

Addendum to July's minutes by:

Neil O'Connell,
A.B.A.T.E of Kansas Inc.
Representative District #13

I am sure that all on the state Board of Directors know my wife Cheryl, as do a number of Representatives and members of other districts outside of 13. Only a few days ago we received blessed news that she has achieved FULL REMISSION in the battle with her Lymphoma. This means now she can begin the next step in her scope of care

which is a Bone Marrow Stem Cell Transplant in Kansas City starting next week . For the next 5-7 weeks we will be out of the loop for the most part and would like to express our appreciation for all the love, support, and prayers that continue to come from all of our family, friends, brothers & sisters in ABATE of Kansas and beyond.

We are truly blessed and humbled!

May God Bless you all!!!

Neil & Cheryl O.

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small community center. The goal was to share ideas, techniques, strategies and enthusiasm, and that goal was certainly accomplished. At the same time the the need for more time and structure was seen. A seminar was proposed as an opportunity for motorcyclists. The time had come to unite as brothers and

sisters to work to protect, preserve and improve motorcycling.

Over the years seminar workshops have focused on legislative issues concerning motorcyclists and ideas on addressing them, the original focus of the M.I.L.E. Other workshops have included rider safety, history of women in motorcycling,

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Texas joined the M.I.L.E. in 1997, and Louisiana hosted their first seminar as the newest member to the M.I.L.E. in 2019.

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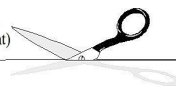
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ABATE OF KANSAS MOTORCYCLE MAYHEM

Strong City, KS -

ABATE of Kansas held its 1st annual Motorcycle Mayhem in the beautiful Flint Hills at the Flint Hills Rodeo Arena.

This was a state family friendly event for the entire weekend. The weather forecast was hot and rain but luckily we were on the right side of the forecast and the rain stayed away!

Plenty to do for all ages, the CMA from Emporia held kid games and a bicycle obstacle course, the local high school girls did face painting for the kids all at no cost.

Friday started off with the sled pull a lot of fun was had lasting well into the evening. That night we welcomed Randy Beach & The Rockin Blues Band.

Saturday started early with bike show registration at 7am under the covered pavilion.

Bike games started at 12N which included motorcycle barrel racing, wow what a great afternoon!

Salty Cycles from Hutchinson brought their burn out pit to the Mayhem and was it a hit! Marlin Smith Jr. took home the prize for best burn out, it was pretty epic.

Along with the CMA, we had some awesome vendors, food, patches, jewelry, sewing, leathers, tshirts and even motorcycles to

be bought. Bretz Injury Law was there handing out free shirts and even a misting tent was up to cool off.

If that wasn't enough, let me tell you about the Drag Queen Race. Yes that's right bikers as drag queens (following page for pictures) There was an entry fee for districts participating and the winner collects the winnings! Our darling damsels were District 9 DaFawnduh, District 10 Laura, District 4 Stephanie, District 11 Jennifer and not to be outdone District 3 Shaquanda. These lovely ladies were not only dressed to kill but ready to rumble by flipping tires, pulling tires and a race in and out of cones, you just had to be there. There was a valiant effort by all but only one winner, District 4 Stephanie!!

We all went back to camp, visited vendors and the Flint Hills Rodeo Association who were there selling ice and adult beverages.

That night we all enjoyed some great music and dancing by the Rob Wade Band.

Thank you all who worked this event and importantly attended. This was a first year event we just never know but I believe we have something here.

- Tammy Ward-Railsback
Editor







ABATE OF KANSAS DISTRICT 11 FIELD EVENTS AND DIRT DRAGS





Frequently Asked Questions

Can I wear a helmet and be a member?

Yes, ABATE strives to ensure all motorcyclists reserve the right to choose to wear a helmet or not. ABATE's stance is not Anti-Helmet, but rather Anti-Helmet Law. The factors of helmet use are too complex for a simple statistic, so ABATE believes, before government law needlessly endanger lives, that such a decision should be left to the rider, and pursue other venues of motorcycle safety--primarily education and awareness.

Do I need to be a Harley owner?

No, ABATE is an advocate for the rights of all motorcyclists, regardless of what or where they ride.

Do I need to own a motorcycle?

No, ABATE consists of all advocates of motorcyclists and motorcycling. The rights of which may be supported by anyone who cares, and are welcome to do so.

Do I have to live in Kansas?

No, ABATE of Kansas has many non-Kansas-resident members who still ride in Kansas. ABATE of Kansas does not believe the rights of motorcyclists stop at the state borderline. ABATE of Kansas works with other state and national Motorcycle Rights Organizations (MROs) to preserve rights wherever the road leads.

Is ABATE a motorcycle club?

No, ABATE of Kansas is classified as a lobbying organization.

Which District can I belong to?

You can belong to any district you prefer. Districts are divided by county groups, except District 20 which is mostly out-of-state

members, however also choose districts adjacent to their state, if preferred. You may choose any district based on where you work, live, or have social ties. The only restriction is that you can only belong to one district at a time.

Why did I stop getting a newsletter?

Chances are most likely you have either moved or your membership has expired. Please check with your district or the ABATE of Kansas State office. It may also be you are not listed with your local post office. Please check with them to make sure you are listed at that address.

Do I need my ABATE card?

Yes, keep your membership card with you when you can. At events, it's faster and more reliable than roster checking. Also, many of your stops may give discounts for ABATE members.

Is ABATE just about helmets?

No, ABATE monitors all bills, laws, and regs that impact motorcycling, including manufacturing, operation, environment and education.

Do I need a permit to camp on leased area at Lake Perry?

Yes, permits are required by the Corp of Engineers which are requested and obtained from the ABATE of Kansas State office in Perry, the only exception being if you plan to camp during the Labor Day Rally event.



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2021 ABATE District 5 Labor Day Rally Bike Show Classes

September 5, 2021

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Examples: Kawasaki Ninja, Buell, HONDA CBR, Super Hawk.

Dual Sport, light weight, made to ride on pavement or Off Road, may have cargo carrying luggage/accessories attached. Examples: KTM, Suzuki, Benelli TNT, BMW Adventurer, Husquvarna, Triumph Tiger, Honda Africa Twin style bikes.

Cruiser – Includes a wide range of bikes from the “in town” light weight cruiser to the slightly heavier bike that is also good for the open road. Examples: Harley-Davidson Sportster, Yamaha V Star 650 & 1100, V Max, Harley-Davidson Dyna, Softail, V-Rod, Honda Valkyrie, VTX, Indian Spirit, Victory Jackpot, 8 ball, Hammer, Vegas, Suzuki Intruder, Volusia, Marauder, Savage. Kawasaki Vulcan Classic 800-1600, BMW K1200GT

Touring – The largest of the bike classes, this bike is made for long term trips, These bikes usually over 700 pounds dry weight. Often known as bagger or dresser. Example: Harley – Davidson Electra Glide, Ultra, Road King, Yamaha Royal Star, Honda Gold Wing, Kawasaki Nomad, Voyager XII, Indian Chief, Victory Cross Roads, Cross Country, Vision. BMW K1200LT and R1200CL.

Antique/Vintage – 1970 and earlier. All makes and models welcome. Restored originals, unrestored originals, Old School Choppers.

Classic – 1971 thru 1990: All makes and models. Restored originals, unrestored originals, choppers, modifieds, customs.

Builder – These are the “Show Bikes”, usually very expensive, features lots of customization. Example: American Iron Horse, Boss Hoss, Orange County Choppers, West coast Choppers, Home Built, Etc.

Trikes – 3 Wheel Motorcycles. Must set straddle the tank/engine. Example: Harley Davidson Tri-Glide, Can Am Spider. Bikes with side car.

Rat – So ugly, can't believe it runs. Thrown together from what ever was available, kept together with a hope, prayer, bailing wire, duct tape. Must be street legal and rideable.

Mini Bike – What we all wanted when we were 10. Not factory built miniature motorcycles. Single speed, centrifugal clutch, 10 HP (150 CC) and smaller. It will move you, but you aren't going anywhere.

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MRF Report for ABATE of Kansas

On July 1, 2021 I received an email from the MRF that the House of Representatives passed House Resolution 3684 the Investing in a New Vision for the Environment and Surface Transportation in America Act on the Invest in America Act. This bill is commonly known as the Highway bill. The bill has over 1,500 pages, spends \$715 Billion and includes five beneficial provisions for motorcycles. The note was 221 for and 201 against.

The Senate has begun work on their version of the Highway bill and the two chambers will eventually need to work on the differences before a agreed upon bill is sent to the President

for his signature. Traditionally, a Highway bill has a five year lifespan before Congress must fund and reauthorize programs again. Typically, highway bills occur in years ending in 0's and 5's. The last highway bill expired in 2020 but was given a one year exemption as Congress was unable to reach a compromise. Congress now faces a September 30th deadline to pass a new highway bill and reauthorize crucial transportation and safety programs.

These are the five motorcyclist related items that house of Representatives approved and included in this major piece of legislation;

Profiling; the bill includes an update to current federal law on the issue of motorcycle only checkpoints. The bill

passed includes language that prohibits state and local governments from using funds from the Department of Transportation to "profile and stop motorcycle operators or motorcycle passengers using as a factor the clothing or mode of transportation of such operations or passengers".

Traffic stop data collection; An amendment to the bill by Congressman Tim Walberg and Congressman Micheal Burgess added the item "mode of transportation" to a newly created grant program for racial and ethic profiling. The program allows to use federal money to collect data on traffic stops. Originally the only information that states could use the funds for was to record was the driver's racial and ethnic makeup. With this

added language, states will have access to funds to collect the mode of transportation of the person being stopped.

If state choose to participate in the program, motorcyclist will have access to data on traffic stops and determine if motorcyclists are stopped disproportionately by law enforcement. This amendment was a joint effort by the Ceo-Chairman of the House Motorcycle Caucus and was added just hours before the final bill was passed.

Motorcycle Advisory Council: H.R. 3684 includes a section that reestablishes the Motorcycle Advisory Council and makes needed changes. The MAC has existed over a decade and allows federal policy makers, state highway officials, and motorcyclists to discuss

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the unique demands of riding a motorcycle and how roads, bridges, and other infrastructure can be built to better account for motorcyclist needs. The bill creates dedicated seats on the council for motorcyclist rights groups and manufacturers. States requires a report every two years to be made to the Secretary of Transportation and Congress.

Autonomous vehicles:
The INVEST Act includes specific language requiring

that the Department of Transportation conducts safety studies on autonomous vehicles; motorcycles must be considered as unique roadway uses. Additionally, a newly formed working group on autonomous vehicles must include a motorcyclist safety group as part of the membership. As with the MAC, motorcyclists need a seat at the table when our safety and freedoms are being debated.

Motorcyclist Safety Funds;

The bill, passed, would increase the 405 safety funds made available to states for motorcycle safety by \$1,470,000 for the next fiscal year with increase through 2025. This is an increase in the program of roughly 34% over current funding levels. Under the bill, the total amount available to states in the next fiscal year would be \$5,760,000.

With our 46th Annual National Labor Day Rally rapidly approaching from

September 3rd through the 6th my weekend will mostly be spent at our Rally site getting prepared. Your support through Abate and the MRF helps insure your rights as a motorcyclist. Remember to look twice save a life. The life you save will probably be your own.

Bill Cooper,
Kansas MRF Rep.

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This month I traveled to West Virginia then on to Virginia, Beautiful country! I had the privilege to join in on the ABATE of West Virginia State board meeting. ABATE was present in West Virginia for about 30+ yrs till 2002 when it dismantled due to lack of interest.

Lanty Hammons (Director) re-established ABATE in 2019. Currently they are trying to rebuild the districts and getting people involved. One of the ideas I presented was a cook-out. They took this idea and added a ride to lead to the park.

The location we picked has a large covered area with several bench tables, play ground equipment, and near by water park on the lake and a wildlife education center for children by the park. We thought this would be great for getting the whole family involved. Like Wisconsin they also have a junior membership for children. Hopefully this will be great family event for years to come.

- Roberta Miller District 12

Attendees of the Labor Day Rally

DO NOT USE ANY OF THE CORP OF ENGINEERS DUMP STATIONS, THIS INCLUDES THE OLD TOWN PARK AREA.

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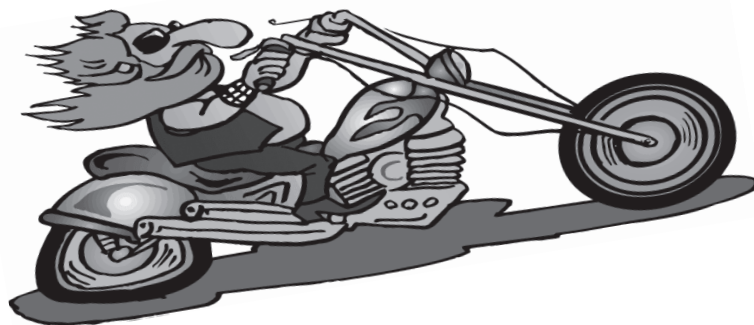
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