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November 2021

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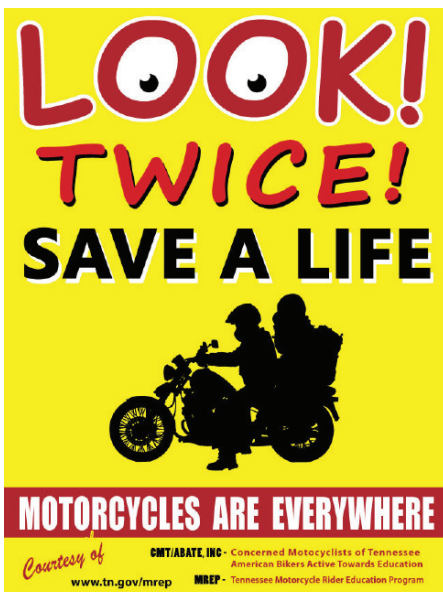
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Upper Cumberland	Ron Erwin 931-879-3899	1st Sunday * Call for location

Asst. Director's Column

It has been a busy month with the BOD and the Meeting of the Minds. The trip to Atlanta was well worth it. I was able to meet some new friends and people willing to help me with strategy for the helmet bill. I attended some workshops and will have info about them at the next BOD in December. I learned a lot of things on how to help running a charter or business easier. I will be contacting our Bill sponsors and running some ideas past them to see if we can get thru the committees we face. There will be results and updates at the December BOD.

For now, Ride Your Own Ride Everybody and Enjoy your Halloween.

Joel Jernigan
Assistant Corporate Director



To: All CMT/ABATE members.

Below are the Senate Committees we must face for the helmet bill. If one of the Senators is yours, please contact and let them know they should support the Freedom of Choice bill SB1536.

These will be the biggest Hurdles for passage.

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Congress Kicks the Can... 30 day Highway Bill Extension

October 2, 2021

With the failure of Congress to pass a new highway bill, by the September 30th deadline, nearly 3,700 United States Department of Transportation staffers were furloughed on Friday. Most of these workers belong to the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA). Without dedicated funding to operate, those agency workers were forbidden from coming into work on October 1st. Operations in these agencies, related to safety and construction projects, were halted as a result.

On Friday evening, in an effort to end

the closure of these agencies, Congress passed an extension of the recently expired FAST Act. The 30-day extension releases federal funds so workers at the FHWA and FTA can return to work for the month of October.

An interparty fight between progressive and moderate Democrats created a stalemate on infrastructure legislation and produced the need for an extension.

This is the second time the FAST Act has been extended in just over a year. The original 2015 bill, expired on September 30, 2020, but was given a full 1-year extension, creating the recently passed September 30, 2021, deadline.

The Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF) remains engaged with lawmakers on this important bill. The MRF continues to

stress the need for action on the transportation policy priorities of the nearly 10 million bikers across the country. We will keep you updated as events warrant.

About Motorcycle Riders Foundation
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Chainsaws, Golf Carts, Lawn Mowers... What's Next?

October 11, 2021

Over the weekend, California Governor Gavin Newsom signed a bill into law banning the sale of all off-road, gas-powered engines, including generators, lawn equipment, pressure washers, chainsaws, weed trimmers, and even golf carts. Under the new law, these machines must be zero-emissions, meaning they will have to be either battery-powered or plug-in.

This law is particularly concerning because of the status California holds within the national economy. The population and market size that California commands often forces manufacturers to react by changing products nationwide, to conform to California standards. Additionally, states with like-minded legislatures often follow with similar laws and regulations of their own.

The Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF) is concerned that this action by California, will begin a cascading effect that will eventually result in the demise of the

internal combustion engine and the fuel supply tied to it. During the legislative agenda setting meeting, held at the 2021 Meeting of the Minds, in Atlanta, Georgia this very issue was debated. Working with our state partners, the MRF is currently evaluating how best to address these concerns. The final 2022 MRF Legislative Agenda will be made public in an upcoming American Biker Journal.

To read more on the bill go to:
<https://apnews.com/article/business-gavin-newsom-california-pollution-environment-and-nature-a0110d-773785d920558134c0009ba694>

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MRF State Rep Report –

*Liberty cannot be preserved without a
general knowledge among the people.*

– John Adams

A couple of weeks ago I had one of the most enjoyable rides that I have had in a long time. A nice leisurely backroads ride from middle Tennessee to Atlanta, where I had the honor of being part of the team that represented Tennessee and CMT/ABATE at this year's Meeting of the Minds. The level of knowledge and experience in motorcyclist's rights that was present at this conference is beyond calculation. Several hundred attendees, many of whom have been involved in our movement for 30, 40 years, or more provide a resource waiting to be tapped to further our efforts.

I hesitate to speak on behalf of the other team members, but I believe we all came away more knowledgeable about the current, and future issues facing motorcyclists across the USA. If you think our current battle to modify the helmet law in Tennessee is our biggest concern, I've got some bad news for you. It seems every-

one is conspiring to eliminate motorcycling as we know it. From promoting fuels that our bikes are not designed to run on, to eliminating gasoline-powered engines altogether (along with the gas stations that fuel them), we will find it harder and harder to keep our current motorcycles running. The development of "Intelligent Transportation Systems" and self-driving vehicles may force motorcycles off the highways unless they are specifically included in the design of these systems. And discussion of issues cropping up in Europe, which frequently find their way across the ocean to the shores of the US, can get really scary. Graduated licensing, mandatory high-visibility clothing and other restrictions have been issues for a while. Now they are adding "end-of-life" requirements for motorcycles, that essentially mandate that any motorcycle more than a certain age must be scrapped. No more rebuilding old bikes, or even re-using their parts.

All of the above issues were addressed in the Legislative Planning Session at the Meeting of the Minds, and were incorporated into the legislative agenda for 2022.

I will provide details of the agenda as soon as it is published.

In addition to the knowledge gained, the Meeting of the Minds, was an opportunity to reconnect with old friends and form new relationships with freedom fighters from across the country. These connections can provide a base of knowledge for us to rely on in our own local efforts.

Over the next few months, I will highlight some of the issues that were discussed at the Meeting of the Minds. The goal is to increase the knowledge of all our members regarding the threats to motorcycling, and to help all of us to use that knowledge in our ongoing battle to preserve our right to...

...Ride Free,

- - Ed



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Recognizing the Protection of Motorsports Act of 2021

September 17, 2021

This week Senators Richard Burr (R-NC), Jon Tester (D-MT), Mark Kelly (D-AZ), Joni Ernst (R-IA), Thom Tillis (R-NC), and Joe Manchin (D-WV) reintroduced the Recognizing the Protection of Motorsports (RPM) Act of 2021. The bill, S. 2736, ensures that racing enthusiasts continue to have the ability to convert motor vehicles into vehicles used solely for competition. This bill also clarifies that it is legal under federal law to manufacture, sell, distribute, and install race parts that modify the emissions system of a motor vehicle that is used solely for racing.

The bill is in response to actions taken

by the EPA in 2015. At that time, the EPA issued a proposed regulation that would prohibit the conversion of emissions-certified motor vehicles into vehicles used in motorsports competitions. The 2015 proposed regulation also prevented the sale or use of emissions-related race parts for those modified vehicles.

An important component of S. 2736 is that it helps protect the aftermarket parts industry. A robust and thriving aftermarket parts industry is vital to the motorcyclist community. The Motorcycle Riders Foundation is part of a broad collaboration of groups working together in D.C. on this topic.

As you may remember, earlier this year the House of Representatives introduced a similar bill, H.R. 3281, that now has 101

cosponsors. To see if your member of the House is a cosponsor of the RPM Act, go to:

<https://www.congress.gov/bill/117th-congress/house-bill/3281/cosponsors?q=%22search%22%3A%5B%22HR%2B3281%22%5D%7D&r=1&s=1>

If you'd like to read more about the Senate bill, go to:

<https://www.burr.senate.gov/press/releases/burr-bipartisan-senators-reintroduce-bill-to-protect-amateur-motorsports-from-devastating-epa-regulations>

Look for further updates and calls to actions on this issue before the end of the year!




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2021 CALENDAR OF EVENTS CMT/ABATE OF TENNESSEE

Dec. 4
Dec. 11

Robertson Co. Toy Run
SWSR Dirty Santa Christmas Party



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CHARTER EVENTS CALENDAR

November 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
		RoCo MoCo		WOT		SWSR
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
UpCo MuCi						
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
			Nash	SMCo DHH		
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	27	28	29	30
CaFo						

December 2021

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UpCo MuCi		RoCo MoCo	Nash			SWSR Party
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				SMCo DHH		
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
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NEWS & EVENTS (MARK YOUR CALENDARS)

MUSIC CITY

Meeting called to order at 2:19 pm By Wendell.

Shawn led us in the pledge.

10 members were present and 2 guest.

Wendell thanked Fruitcake for his help getting to Bowling Green. A good time was had by all that attended.

Joel gave report on Meeting of the minds and will follow up with a mailing of the cliff notes.

Charter fish fry on Oct.16 at 5:00 pm by invitation.

Report on campout at the Roost for Halloween.

Don't forget next month is nomination for charter officers if you want to step up let us know.

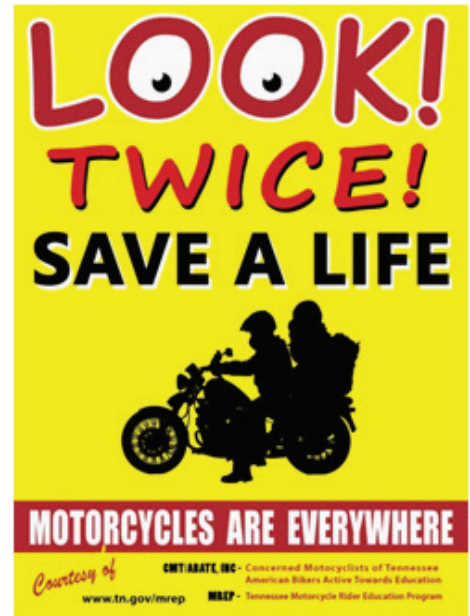
Shawn won the 50/50

M/Glenn S/ Lisa to adjourn.

ROBERTSON COUNTY

The Robertson Local Charter met at the Piggy Pit in Springfield, Tennessee and our guests were Deadeye and Rita of the Music City Local Charter. We planned to have at least a partial wrap-up of the Southern Thunder Rally business following our meeting but had representatives from only two (02) of the three (03) Local Charters. Connie, our Local Charter Secretary was absent, we did not have most of the other officers and had but two (02) members present. We did not formally call the meeting to order but discussed minor details of the recent Southern Thunder Rally with a plan to have a more formal meeting at a later date.

J. Robert Forbus – Assistant Director Robertson Local Charter



"Poindexter joins family of Hogetta owners, as bike is delivered at Swap meet in Nashville by previous owner, State Rep. Bob (Dr. Bob) Ramsey)"



"CMT/ABATE members promote membership at Out Law's swap meet October 16. Great turnout!"



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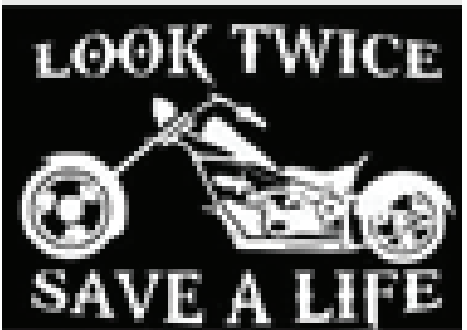
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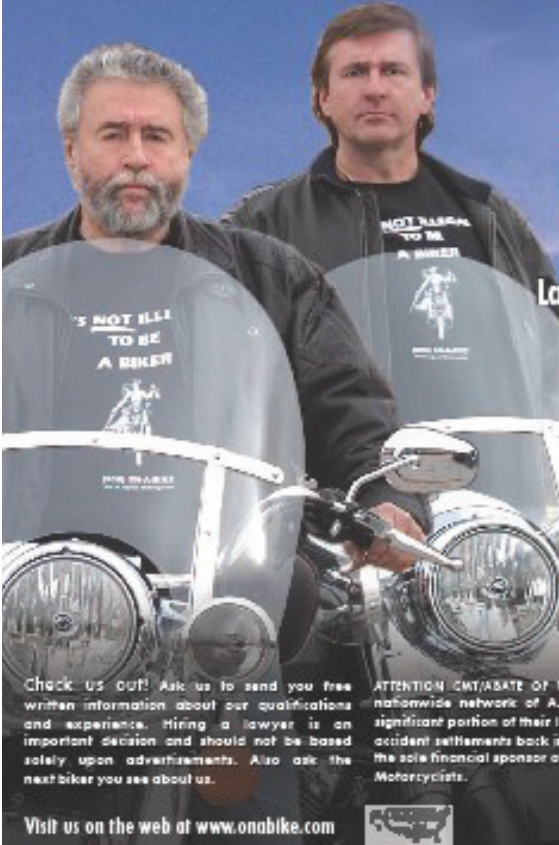
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