# Tennessee Motorcyclist



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... Joining both our legislative efforts and our Safety & Awareness projects.

On May 16, 2011, members of CMT/ABATE, Inc. were escorted onto the floor of the House of representatives for the reading of HJR0053 by Representative Judd Matheny, proclaiming May as Motorcycle Awareness Month.

Small promotional products were on each member's desk in the chambers to remind them to **LOOK TWICE SAVE A LIFE**. An additional feature of the event was the playing of the song DYING TO BE SEEN, written and performed by Charlie Allen and Stan Allen, friends of Representative Matheny.



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Caney Fork	Terry Presley tpaper63@yahoo.com	615-642-8025	1st Saturday of the month at 4, at Lolly's, 342 Lebanon Hwy, Carthage
Dickson/Humphreys/ Hickman	Terry Davis	615-642-8025	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday @ 7, VFW Dickson
Knoxville	Maureen Quaranto	865-354-8813	4th Sunday, My Place, 560 Edgemore Rd Powell,
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Upper Cumberland	Rob Erwin	931-879-3899	1st Sunday * Call for Details
Wheels of Thunder	Bob Celmer www.cmtabate-wheelsoft	901-465-7381 hunder.com	1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday @ 7, Panchos 717 N. White Station Rd., Memphis

#### STATE DIRECTOR'S COLUMN

Well we are returning to our old meeting place for the June BOD. Thank you to Dixon Humphries charter and the VFW for having us there for the past few meetings. This column will not be long due to my recovering from an accident where I separated my right shoulder and got six stitches in my head.

I attended the NCOM convention in New Mexico and got a lot of great information on what ABATEs around the country are doing, working together with the clubs and U.S. Defender program. I will speak about this during my June NCOM report. We are going to be setting up a land committee at the June BOD, I believe that this will start the process for our buying land. We are investing in the future of our organization.

We stopped another attempt to have children under 5 banned from Motorcycles. We will pursue with all-out effort next year our Helmet choice bill. There is definitely a more positive attitude about choice since the last election.

I would also like to see us work on a bill like the One in North Carolina that says you cannot pull over motorcycles only for traffic stops. An anti-discrimination bill passed in Washington state that helps prevent profiling of bikers. I personally was detained for 45 minutes at security this last trip.

We have lots of great CMT/ABATE events coming up that I hope to see you at. Please support these event that help raise the money so we can fight for Freedom.

We have seen interest in starting new charters and ;a renewed interest in seeing our organization succeed. I want you to know that you have an excellent board and they are working hard to see us grow and move forward.

Next year is the 30th anniversary of our organization. I think we should have several events to celebrate this milestone. If you have any suggestion for events for our 30th year let me know. Enjoy the riding weather and think of me since I will be unable to ride for probably the next six weeks at least. Rider Safe and Free

## **Brooklyn Tom**

State Director CMT/ABATE Inc. NCOM national board member Liaison to Confederation of clubs Unit Commander U.S. Defenders





# Want to be a part of this amazing organization?

Fill out the application below & submit with membership dues to the CMT/ABATE office.

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I would like to thank everyone that made it to May is Motorcycle Awareness presentation. I was hoping that more people could have made it but I understand it was a work day.

If you get a chance to see how well it went click on the link below.

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I even got some comments that some of the Representatives were a little worried about the bikers that day. They thought I was going to sing.

We have our summer study coming up this year. All charters need to be reading the fiscal note in great detail. Pick one of the bullet points and work on it as a charter. Please contact me if I can be of any help. Everyone needs to get on the ball and start working on our upcoming fiscal note. We are only going to get one chance and I can't do it alone.

Bring ideas and ammo to this coming June B.O.D. So remember I can't do it by myself. It takes everyone to get involved. Or you can watch your rights fade away.



It's Official! - Motorcycle Awareness Month is proclaimed on House Floor



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Scott McColpin, Champion Rep. Vince Dean, Charlie Williams, motorcyclists rights pioneer from Oklahoma



CMT/ABATE champion, Rep. John Tidwell & Scott McColpin

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#### Gold

Jack Rollins exp 12/11 DHH exp 9/11 Upper Cumberland exp 10/11 Music City exp 10/11 Robertson exp 8/11

#### **Silver**

Silverado Sports Bar exp 8/11

#### **Basic**

Lee Francis Upper Cumb exp 7/11 Barbara Thair—Upper Cumb exp10/11

> (Basic \$10, Bronze \$25, Silver \$50 Gold \$100)

# Thanks for Your Support!! Charter Support for State.

	Pledge	YTD
Buffalo River	\$10	\$30
Caney Fork	\$10	\$10
DHH	\$50	
Knoxville	\$5	
Montgomery Co		
Music City	\$75	\$900
Nashville	\$100	\$300
Northeast	\$7.50	\$46
Robertson Co.	\$125	\$1500
Smith/Wilson	\$10	\$60
Sumner	\$50	\$100
Tennessee Valley	\$25	·
Upper Cumberland	\$25	\$125
Wheels of Thunder	\$50	\$600



We receive a warm welcome at the capital.





Jack Jones, Nashville charter Director. And Randy Williams, At Large Life Member





The next **Board Of Director's** 

Meeting will be

June 12, 2011

at the American Legion. 3204 Gallatin Road, Nashville

BOD meeting @ 1:00pm cst

Representative Judd Matheny with CMT/ ABATE members and musicians Charlie Allen and Stan Allen

## **June 2011**

#### CF BRBF Memorial WOT 9 10 8 11 SMW NE ROB UPCU MON MUSCTY 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 UpCu Fun Ride DHH NASH SUM 22 23 19 20 21 BF Hawg Run WOT Run KNO DHH Points Rodeo

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# **Upcoming Events**

#### JUNE EVENTS

June 4 **Buffalo River Memorial Ride** 

June 12 **Upper Cumberland Fun Ride** 

June 19 **DHH Points Rodeo** 

June 25 **Buffalo River Hawa Run** 

Wheels of Thunder Run

#### **JULY EVENTS**

July 9 SmWi Memorial Poker Run

July 16 **DHH Canoe Poker Run** 

July 23 UpCu Fun Run

July 24 **Tennessee Valley -Motorcycle Awareness Ride** 

July 30 **Sumner County Points Rodeo** 



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Bring on the Sun & Dry Weather!

Did we miss something or make an error? It was not intentional. Please keep us informed. Send event dates, articles, minutes, pictures etc to editor@cmtabate.com no later than the 12th of month prior to when you would like information to appear.

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(Mark Your Calendars









**Great Idea!** Give shirts to a local business and let them advertise for us! Free PR for our cause! Awesome job WOT for arranging this **Look Twice Day** at the bank. Thanks Bancorp South Bank & Employees! We appreciate you!

#### **Tennessee Valley Minutes**

5/15/11

Due to low attendance meeting was done in an informal format

Officers Report:

<u>Membership Report:</u> Charter holding at around 50.

<u>Treasury Report:</u> No expenditures by

Charter last month

**State Legislative Report:** Summer study

strategy discussed

**Events Report:** Our next event this year will be the Motorcycle Awareness Ride July 24<sup>th</sup>

Preliminary planning discussed.

We will plan a monthly ride in conjunction with the poker run booklets and possibility with Upper Cumberlands charter monthly fun runs

<u>Statewide poker run update</u>. We have 111 booklets to sell to members and others who are interested.

<u>Open Forum:</u> Discussion on various topics affecting motorcyclist here and around the world.

Meeting adjourned:

Next Meeting: June 19<sup>th</sup> 2011

# Remember life is a journey so take the long way home.





# **CMT/ABATE Charter**

#### Report for May

Batman led with the pledge of allegiance. We had 16 members and 1 guest present (Eddie Dunn of Nashville Charter). Due to Wendell working out of state, Bob led the meeting by announcing that Liberty Rally is next weekend. Member and U.S. Military Vet, Su Springer was shot while in Kentucky and is in critical condition. Batman made a motion, seconded by Billy to have the Charter donate \$100 to Su. It was voted on and passed. We are also doing a Poker Book Poker Run in conjunction with our Motorcycle Safety Awareness Day on May 21. It will be \$10 per person with the proceeds also going to Su. Billy is donating a neon beer sign and the Charter is donating a pair of STR tickets for 1st and 2nd prizes. 1st place gets to pick and 2nd gets what 1st didn't

choose. Billy made a motion

and Batman seconded to donate the STR tickets. It was voted on and passed. May 15th is the State Safety and Awareness event at the Nashville Sounds game. Paul is in the hospital with lung problems. 50/50 was won by Johnny; he kept out enough for 2 beers and donated the rest to Su (\$10). Eddie Dunn is transferring over from Nashville Charter and will be appointed Charter Chaplain. Eddie closed our meeting with a prayer. Batman made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Billy, voted and passed. See y'all next time.

Til then, Ride Safe Faith



Big Patches Available \$20 call Kevin 615.456.2317

#### Wheels of Thunder

# Meeting Minutes

Pancho's Mexican Grill

May 5, 2011

Sgt. of Arms, Bobby Johnson, called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, followed by a moment of silence for our fallen brothers and sisters. A special note was made of Peggy Fackler, who has been in the hospital for quite some time and Claude Charles.

#### Minutes -

A motion was made to waive the reading of last month's minutes and to accept them as posted on the web site. The motion was seconded and approved. Minutes can be found on our web site, <a href="www.cmtabate">www.cmtabate</a>

wheelsofthunder.com, under the meeting date. (Also known as "Motion 1")

<u>Membership</u> — We had 21 members and 0 guests present at tonight's meeting. We also had 8 new members join since the last meeting — mostly at the scavenger hunt.

<u>Treasurer's Report –</u> Lynn reported we have \$2997.40 in the bank. We reviewed intake and bills paid for April.

<u>Director's Statement</u> - Assistant Director, Gary Acton, reminded us to pick up our Poker Run Books tonight. The points Rodeo is May 6-8.

Bette sent emails about obtaining a new office location that would be safer and more convenient for those who use it the most. She is asking Wheels of Thunder for \$50 more per month to help pay the difference. The difference according to our calculations is at most \$260 per year. There was some discussion that if we have enough money to consider purchasing land, then the state treasury should be able to afford this difference and we would prefer to decide where our money could be best spent.

<u>Legislation</u> To reach Gary use this email: political\_stuff@cmtabate-

wheelsofthunder.com

- Tennessee – HJR 0058 – proclamation on May 16th that May is Motorcycle month,

-HB1673/SB1466 ("Choice Bill") sent to summer study – not enough votes to get it out of committee.

-Scott McColpin needs us to contact our legislators to talk to them about this matter.

-The way the states collect and report their information is different – trying to get a consistent definition of what a motorcycle is and unify the way that information is documented. -Alabama – Red light bill was referred to Homeland Security Committee.

-Delaware – currently riders under the age of 19 must wear a helmet, over 19 must carry a helmet.

-Florida – Want to amend driver's license to include biometric information

-Georgia – Red light bill withdrawn

-Louisiana – Raids Motorcycle Safety fund of \$62,000.

 -Massachusetts – hearing an appeal regarding mandate of visible EPA stamp or sticker on motorcycle.

-Nevada – Freedom Bill made it out of committee but was sidetracked by Finance Committee.

-New Hampshire – passed House and Senate prohibiting New Hampshire from accepting federal funds for motorcycle only checkpoints. -New York – Red light bill referred to Senate Transportation

#### Activities -

**Legislative Run** (was April 23) – Ron thanked everyone for all of their help in this event. It seems like everyone had a great time on the scavenger hunt and is looking forward to our next one.

**Bash Location** – There are a few ideas for the location for this year's bash. Here is a list of a few of them:

1. VFW in Millington, 2. The land across from Bear's Motorcycle Shop (would not cost anything -2 acres. 3. Popeye's in Red Banks, 4. The Moose lodge. Gary asked the committee to put together a pros and cons comparison and present it at the next meeting. Ron also asked if there was a possibility of changing the date. Gary said yes, but we should be careful making too many changes at the risk of losing regular attendees. We also discussed the fact that we cannot be involved in any beer sales.

Memorial Ride for Bob Ward – to be held in June to meet at the Traveling Veteran Wall. Ron would like to present a plaque in Bob's honor. Money raised will go to help Bob's family. There was some discussion about this event. Details to come.

<u>Safety and Education</u> – Cecil read Shelby County Mayor, Mark Luttrell's proclamation for May being Motorcycle is Safety Awareness Month.

Cecil also reminded us about the Carl Perkins ride for Child Abuse in Covington on May 21, 2011. The Mayor has asked that as many WOT members be present as possible for this event because he wants to recognize us for the Look Twice project. Registration begins at 8:30 and we are encouraged to wear our Look Twice shirts.

<u>Products</u> – Brenda noted that she has products available for purchase if anyone is inter-

ested.

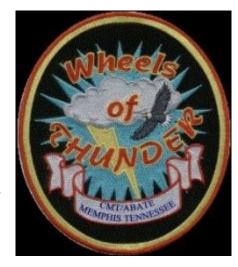
Old Business – Dave and Amy updated us about the Wounded Warrior project. It has become a reality – a sanctioned event. They are working to solidify a venue, celebrity entertainment, sponsors, and auction items. There will be a poker run, entertainment, food, vendors, and a silent auction. They are working on some really "big name" entertainment. Please contact Dave or Amy if you are interested in helping with this event.

New Business – Sarge made a motion that we should find a new meeting location and amended the motion to open the door to a new day and time as well. Dave seconded the motion and the amendment. The motion passed unanimously. Everyone was encouraged to look for new location ideas. Some suggestions were Logan's near Wolfchase and Cajun Catfish Company at Sycamore and Summer – one of our new members owns it. Joy commented that while this move seems necessary, that we need to be vigilant in our search and decision making process because we seem to lose attendance of our members every time we make a move.

#### Club News and Announcements -

- Teddy Bear Run June 12 (Sunday) Southern Cruisers of Tipton County.
- MAFT Share the Road ride on May 21.
- Wheels of Grace 100 mile ride May 7, 2011. Start at Recycle Biker at 9:00 a.m.

We drew for the \$20 Pancho's gift certificate. A motion was made to adjourn. It was seconded and approved by the membership. It's 8:10 and we're outta here!



\*\*\* See pictures on opposite page of some exciting stuff WOT is doing to promote our cause!

#### **Sumner County Minutes**

May Minutes

12 members present and 5 motorcycles

We all enjoyed pie and food compliments of the VFW Meeting starts with pledge.

Mark gave update on BOD. Mark thanked everyone for the participation on the proclamations in May. We succefully had 5 proclamations read. We were great ambassadors for CMT/ABATE across all of Sumner county and now have signs up in White House and Hendersonville.

Treasury 4034.94 is balance

Swap meet will be at Lane's Motor Museum

again in 2012

Membership 1 new members this month

**Activities** 

Buffalo Memorial Day

Hog Fest May 27

Dickson Humphrey Points Rodeo June 19

Cheeseburger in Paradise at VFW June 11

New Business

Jerry Ray moved Becky is legislative. Passed. Brian moved Mark take Activities. Passed 50/50 won by Terry Stocks

#### **MONTGOMERY County Charter**

We had our first meeting at Shoney's, our search for the best meeting place continues. Wally led the Pledge and turned it over to Jesse.

Jesse showed the new bags, t-shirts, key chains and bumper stickers. He also informed us of the need to get planning a run to the state welcome centers in Clarksville and Dyersburg.

Lance then followed with the treasurer's report. The chapter is sitting pretty well with the sales of signs, bag pick up fees and the sales of Look Twice Patches. We are working on setting up our chapter bank account and post office box once Lance returns from TDY in New Orleans.

We are slowly but surely starting to increase in membership with Lance and Jesse stopping by local motorcycle clubs and associations, the word is getting out.



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	2011 CALENDAR OF EVENTS		CaFo 3 DHH	Fun Run Southern Thunder Rally Memorial Ride Nitro Dirt Drags Points Rodeo Bash State Redeo Finals & State Wide Reker Run
į	CMT/ABATE OF TENNESSEE	10-1 10-8	CaFo	State Rodeo Finals & State Wide Poker Run Poker Run
6-4   6-12   6-19   6-25   7-9   7-16   7-23   7-30	BuRiMemorial Ride UpCu Fun Ride DHH Points Rodeo NoEa Fund Run BuRi Hawg Run WoT Bug Run SmWi Memorial Poker Run DHH Canoe Poker Run UpCu Fun Run Sum Points Rodeo	10-22 10-29 11-6 11-12 12-3 12-4 12-17 12-18 12-31	RoCo NoEa DHH SmWi RoCo Sum SmWi MuCi WoT BuRi	Memory Ride Fall Colors Ride Toy Run Toy Run & Chili Cook-off Toy Run Food Drive and Christmas Party Needy Family Ride Christmas Party Christmas Party New Years Eve Party
7-16 7-23	DHH Canoe Poker Run UpCu Fun Run	12-17 12-18	MuCi WoT	Needy Family Ride Christmas Party Christmas Party



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# **Slow Race**

1st John Adams 2nd Jim Martin 3rd Scott Dean

## **Barrel Roll**

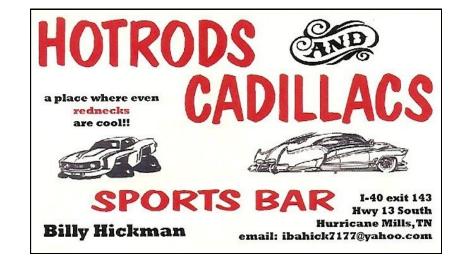
1st Jim Martin **2nd** John Adams **3rd** Lee Francis

## **Ball & Cone**

1st John Adams & Patches 2nd Scott Dean & Patches 3rd Lee Francis & Trina Goodsell

# **Weenie Bite**

1st Scott Dean & Patches 2nd John Adams & Patches **3rd** Lee Francis & Trina Goodsell





WoT	Dave Colby	BuRi	Sheila Brooks
DHH	Randall Barber	MuCi	Jimmy Stinson
DHH	Greg Bowen	MuCi	Renee Hooper
DHH	Murray Daniel	MuCi	Jamee Brown
DHH	Judy Landis	MoCo	Daniel Denormandie
DHH	Dillard Lewis	BuRi	Roger Leonard
DHH	Randy Lynch	BuRi	Ross Pullen
DHH	Dennis Whitman	Nas	Tracey Shaw
DHH	Angela Whitman		



Coming Soon! CMT/ABATE trailer & Impaired Riding Exhibit! We are really excited about how the Tennessee Department of Safety grant is helping us promote motorcycle safety! Ask the Grant Team how you can reserve for

your next event.

#### **Northeast Charter, CMT/ABATE**

Monday, May 2, 2011

Sagebrush Restaurant, Kingsport, 7:00 PM

Members Present: Eric & Deborah Anderson, Harry

Colerick, Scott Smith & daughter

Steve Brooks

Treasury: Balance:\$333.05

**Upcoming Activities:** 

Peacemakers M.C. Boozy Creek Dirt Drags: May 6, 7, 8th

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Thunder in the Mountains: May 12-15 Appalachian Fairgrounds

We have an indoor booth at this event. (selling ABATE T-shirts for \$12 and State Run Books for \$10)

Litter Bags to Welcome Centers: Saturday, May 28th True Sons, M.C. 22nd Annual Pow Wow June 3rd

& 4th (11W to 70N to Hickory Cove Road to Lawson Road, Rogersville)

New Business: "Funds Run" (June 19th):

**CANCELLED** 

Discussion, motion and vote to have booths at the other organizations' events in leau of runs.

Next Board of Director's Mtg: Northeast Chapter Representative needed. Eric & Deborah cannot attend (3rd trimester)

June 12th American Legion, 3204 Gallatin Road, Nashville at 1pm CST

Next Meeting: Monday, June 6th, 2011 at Sagebrush Restaurant, Kingsport



#### **Buffalo River Charter Meeting May 5th**

Called to order at 7:19pm with 6 members present. Directors Report- collected vendors cards for the next swapmeet when I went to both the TriCounty Swapmeet and Smith/Wilson's. State wide poker run books are still for sale just \$10.00 let me know. BOD meeting has moved back to the American Legion Post 82, 3204 Gallatin Pk in Nashville. We discussed and approved to join

the Perry County Chamber for \$50.00 a year, they have a complete website for us to use to advertise our events, photos and everything on and they are close to Hawgs N Hillbillies.

Secretary and Treasurer's Reports - read and approved.

Safety and Education - moving forward with the sign program and lots of the other charters and getting involved. Lisa will be helping out with State on this since Mark will be deploying on June 20th.

Legislative - May 16th is Motorcycle Awareness at the House Floor. Read the letter from Scott McColpin if anyone can attend please do so.

Membership - 28 members, 4 new members and 1 renewal

**Activities** - Buffalo River Rally - talked about it more in detail. Hope to see everyone there because it will be really busy with the Poker run Saturday morning, points rodeo with D/H/H in the afternoon, Wendy Takes A Fall band playing from 7 to 10pm Saturday night, Sunday morning the bike show and wrapping up the 3 day scaven-

ger hunt up, with lots of food and fun for all.

May 6-8 Liberty Rally

May 13 - 3rd Annual Relay for Life Motorcycle Ride

May 27-29 Buffalo Rally Weekend

May 9th - Tinks birthday

June 4th - Bearcat Knox Memorial Ride

June 11th Annual Ride and bike show at Hawgs N Hillbillies

June 16-19th June Bug Boogie August 13th - Ronnaroo

**Old Business** - April 23rd Proclamation showed everyone what we received from Mayor Dickey from Columbia.

**New Business-** June 4th Bearcat's Memorial Ride starting at Mike's bar and ending back at Mike's. 1st Mikes, 2nd Cedar Point where his

ashes was put to rest in the river, 3rd Ed's Bar and then back to Mike's. Cookout and fun after that.

We are again doing a booth at Oktoberfest in Hohenwald from the 7th-9th downtown in the square. Discussed doing something for Partners for Patriot's just have to get with them and see what they need. Fall Swapmeet at S & G 1st Saturday in November to see how a Fall Swapmeet works out. Maury County Shelter a yes to do a fund raiser of some kind with the Muletown HOG Chapter in Columbia so get with them more next month.

Next meeting June 2nd same place and time.

Meeting adjourned at 8:56 pm.

Safe riding and see you on the 27th in Linden.



#### Smith/Wilson Charter

Meeting of May 1, 2011 was called to order with pledge and prayer. All officers present at our new meeting location – T&A Cycles. Kim thanked everyone that came to the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual cookout.

**Secretary Report:** Minutes from last month's meeting were read aloud. Motion made and approved.

**Treasurer Report:** Shelly reported our monthly balance as \$583.51. She also reported that it looks like we around \$650.00 at our swap meet yesterday.

Legislation Report: Jerry brought up the fact that we all need to get on board to fight what Georgia law is trying to get passed on profiling motorcycles. We need to get our act together and get it stopped or it will be another freedom right take away from us. Bullit stated we all need to stay friendly and talk often with our elected officials. Everyone was reminded that our sign media event will be Friday, May 13<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 on the Lebanon Square. Vern questioned are we taking litter bags to the welcome centers this year. No one knew the answer.

Activities: Tommy asks for volunteers that will be helping with the Liberty Rally. He showed that our old sign from AJ's has been moved to T&A Cycles and has a new face lift and looks like a brand new sign. Everyone agreed we need to send Steven Smith a thank you note for re-painting the sign.

- Our next event will be the ride to the Ronald McDonald House in Nashville, June 12<sup>th</sup>.
- Robin Long Memorial ride is scheduled for July 9th. We discussed changing the route. It will start at T&A Cycles and keep the rest of the route the same as previous years. Kim stated that Skeeter would like to have the rodeo at his place. Motion was made and approved to have it there.

**Membership:** Skeeter reported we have 34 members present and thanked our visitors for attending.

New: Carrie & David Campbell

Renewal: Scott Dean

Products: Peach stated he sold several items yesterday at our swap meet. He would like to see us order some small shirts for our junior members. All agreed that would be a good idea. Other asked about getting hats and different items with our logo. Vern will bring a catalog next month with items and pricing. Anyone with a design idea needs to bring it to the next meeting.

#### **Old Business:**

- Kim reminded everyone who wants to get in on the mileage contest needs to give their VIN and mileage to Scott by May 15th. The one with the most miles at the end of the year will receive \$50.00 in Biker Bucks.
- Reminder the Sounds ABATE baseball game date is May 15<sup>th</sup>.
- The Statewide Poker Run books are here. There \$10.00 each. See Kim if you want a book.

Patches questioned some of the event cost for the swap meet. Questions answered and all seemed okay.

#### **New Business:**

- Everyone agreed to send thank you notes to the band (Kingdom Reigns), the DJ, and Tony of T&A Cycles for yesterday's swap meet.
- Scott made a motion to give \$50 to the Ronald McDonald House to go with the donation money collected to help sponsor a family for a week's stay. All approved.
- BOD is moving their location to the Inglewood American Legion -Nashville location.
- Nominations for next year officers were made. Voting will be at next month's meeting.
- Skeeter concerned about the way the bike show was judged. Discussed why judges were used and not people's vote.
- May birthday's: Paul Brown,

Bullit Patrick, Tommy Jones, and Cheryl Ferrell.

Wedding announcement of Cheryl and Tommy – Congratulation!! Meeting adjourned.

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Reminder: Facebook page: Smith/Wilson CMT ABATE

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# Pictures from Sign Ceremony in Lebanon







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May 15th, 2011



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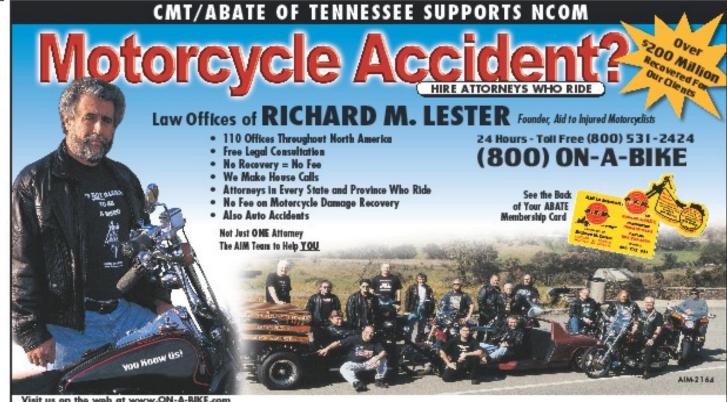
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### **Robertson County CMT Abate**

The Robertson County CMT Abate Meeting of May 3, 2011

Sam called the May 3, 2011 meeting to order and opened with the pledge. George lead us in prayer. Roland approximately 25-30 people). thanked everyone that participated at the April 16, 2011 Swap Meet. Thelma announced that all products from last year were sold at Swap Meet. On a good note pated in the April 16, 2011 Swap Meet. Shawn has received good news regarding her son, Josh....keep them in your prayers. On another good note Jeff Taylor received good news that his brother, Richard has learned that his Cancer is clear....keep them in your prayers as well. George announced that to remember everyone in their loss due to the storms that we have had in the last week or two. Pickle thanked everyone for his benefit for him. He said he really appreciated it.... thank you. Wade Garrison announced that a lot of members were unable to attend the benefit for Jimmy Neil (Pickle) on April 23, 2011 at The Piggy Pit in Springfield so those who that didn't announced that he has spoken with Don- tom of my heart! attend could donate if they wanted to. It was bike week in Florida.

Pamela announced that our minutes for the last couple meetings were not in our Newsletter due to a spam problem with the news editor email but they have been printed in the Newsletter now. so taken care of. Thelma announced to keep logo the same and white and light go up. gray shirts....that orange shirts was hard Frank wasn't present due to working.

Donna announced she had several re- County area but some signs have already ups tonight, but if your membership has been posted in surrounding areas. Check lapsed or is about to then please come them out! see her to renew. We would also like to welcome Vincent and Tonya Archaletta (I (Pickle) \$46.00 and he donated to his part hope I spelt this correctly guys...lol) to to the Down Bikers Fund. Thank you our charter. Treva announced that our Pickle. We are glad your doing well. thanked everyone for coming (attendance general account is \$2,137.53. Samantha announced everyone remember The Lib- benefit for Don & Opal Carroll, who are erty Rally at the Jackson County Fair- dear friends of hers and others. Ms. Opal grounds this weekend. Sam announced has Alzheimer's and is getting worse he wanted to thank everyone that partici- day by day. They have used up all their

> Meet went smooth....there was no trouble help we help these people...because they day but all vendors were happy. Roland The Piggy Pit as well. Roland announced announced that The Liberty Rally is this we pass a bucket around and \$250.00 weekend....everyone attend it will be fun. was collected. I took that \$250.00 to Pam handed out flyers for The Liberty them Wednesday morning. The smile on Rally to the ones that didn't already have Don's face was priceless. Don asked that one. Treva sold STR presale tickets for I please thank everyone so much. I would \$25.00 and they will be sold until August like to sincerely thank everyone that do-13, 2011, and after that they will be nated. It is really hard to see what Don is \$30.00 at the gate. Kevin announced that dealing with and .....it is so hard for me to Fake Tattoo will be at the Southern Thun- see Ms. Opal when she doesn't even reder Rally this year again. There will be a member me sometimes...so I cry a lot for tattoo contest again this year. Tall Pine them....again thank you all from the botnie and said that once we are closer to and he is not charging any for labor. Ro- hot dogs! Thank you all. land and Tall Pine will follow-up on the billboard signs. Roland announced that meeting and Roland 2<sup>nd</sup> and called the he is open to sign designs because it has meeting adjourned. already been approved that the sign can

to get. Tim had nothing to announce. working on getting Look Twice And Save ny! See you all next month! A Life signs posted in the Robertson

The 50/50 winner was Jimmy Neil

Pam announced that there is a saving due to Nursing Home and Home Roland announced that Swap Healthcare for her. Pam asked that we It was a bit cold and damp that are good people. They are regulars at

We would like to thank The Piggy having the work done for the sign he will Pit for the great food, and Hooper for help us basically for the material cost, cooking those delicious hamburgers and

Donna announced to adjourn the

We always welcome new members to join our Charter. Come join Roland announced we are still us.....hey it's free food and good compa-



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#### NASHVILLE CHARTER

Nashville Charter meets every 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the Month at Bikini Beach Bar on Antioch Pike in Nashville. April Meeting was called to order at 7:15 by Director Jack Jones who also led us with the Pledge to the Flag. We had 11 Members present which 2 of them are our newest Members. Welcome Tracey and Keith. Jack reviewed latest past events. Activities Director; Kevin reported Caney Fork charter had a great turnout at their Swapmeet (Great job ya'll ) Kevin also reported we had a good turn-out (For a Rainy Day) at the Tri-County Swapmeet, even tho attendance was down from last year. Lane Motor Museum was also happy with their turn-out. We had made \$2400.00 after expenses, which \$600.00 will go to each Charter. Kevin briefly reviewed STR Schedule and flyer. Also reported that 420 Poker Run Books had been sold. Kevin has

requested help in doing Products. Secretary Report; Motion was made and passed to waive the reading of last months minutes ant to accept them as published in the Newsletter, also gave brief update on happenings on the State Facebook Page. Treasury Report; Bette reported 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter pledge was made and we are half way paid up for the year. Our account balance is the same as last month. Legislative Report; Carol reviewed under 5 Bill trying to remove the (age wording) and replace with "height and weight restrictions". "Freedom of choice" has been sent to summer study. HJR58 (House Joint Resolution) May is officially "Motorcycle Awareness Month". Old Business; Swapmeet on April 16<sup>th</sup> (Good Turn-Out) New Business; Jack reported June 12<sup>th</sup> is the next Board Meeting and will be held at American Legion in Nashville (3204 Gallatin Pike) STR tickets are in and we need to

start selling them. Sounds Game May 15<sup>th</sup> "Motorcycle Awareness Day" Game will start at 2:05. Discussion was held on having a Scavenger Hunt and Bonfire, Motion was made and passed to "put on" this event as follows; On October 15th meet at Bikini Beach Bar between 12:00 and 1:00 pm; Kickstands up at 1:00; meet at Carols house by 5:00pm; \$5.00 per person, food supplied. Discussion to be held on drinks and items to be added to the Scavenger List. More information to come, Meeting Adjourned at 8:30 Next meeting will be May 19<sup>th</sup>. Remember if any Charters would like to have their events posted on CMT/ABATE State Facebook Page, Please Email me at vickycrane@att.net See Ya"ll Next Month RIDE SAFE-

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