

A.B.A.T.E. of NY, Columbia County Chapter

Mountain Poke-r Run August 1, 2009

Sign up at Plaza Diner at 5 pm Ride leaves at 6pm sharp

Finish at Meadowgreens by 11pm \$20 per person

In case of bad weather, the event will be held at ending location. For more information contact

## What is ABATE? AMERICAN BIKERS AIMED TOWARD EDUCATION

A non-profit corporation formed to promote and protect the interests of all New York Motorcyclists. **ABATE** monitors and interacts with the legislative process, enhancing the image of the sport, and providing educational and social opportunities for members as well as non-members.

**ABATE** will continue to strive to become acquainted with both the issues and people of the motorcycling community. We encourage all our members to be informed registered voters.

"New Rider" education classes with certified safety instructors are currently being offered by some of our 26 Chapters throughout the state.

We welcome interested persons to any of our activities and to join our organization. **ABATE** does not discriminate - all makes of motorcycles are WELCOME.

Dedicated to Freedom of the Road

### **ABATE Aims & Purposes**

- **A.** To review and inform our members about federal, state, and local levels of government motorcycle legislation and to promote favorable motorcycle legislation
- B. To improve road condition thus making roads safer for motorcyclists
- C. To help prevent accidents through education.
- **D.** To promote positive community relations
- **E.** To promote political involvement of motorcyclists
- **F.** To act as a legislative liaison between motorcyclists and government authorities, police departments, government agencies, insurance companies, and other organizations.
- **G.** To report and discourage biased news reporting of motorcyclists
- H. To present and promote a better public image of motorcycling.

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Deadline for any submission into the next Newsletter is Sept. 1st 2009.

Next chapter meeting is Aug. 6th 2009.

Remember to ask at the places that you frequently go and/ or support for your business.

### 2009 Columbia County Chapter

**Meetings** Chapter Events

### Miscellaneous/Chapter Supported Events

White Stone Café' 7 pm social hour at 6 pm

(info listed below)

AUGUST	6	1 Mountain Run	23 Hogs 4 Hospice
		8 "200 Club" Party	
SEPTEMBER	10	20 3rd Bozo Run	<b>2-7</b> Columbia County Fair
			4-7 State Party at Hogarosa Campgrounds
			11-14 Catskill, Mountain Thunder
			<b>24-27</b> MRF Meeting Of The Minds held in
			Bloomington, Minnesota
OCTOBER	1	4 Toy Run	
NOVEMBER	5		
DECEMBER	5	Christmas Party	** There will be a \$10 per person charge for everyone.
		combined w/ meeting	Members and Non-Members alike

All event dates are subject to change. All Chapter Events and flyers can also be found on our website at <a href="http://www.geocities.com/columbiaabate">http://www.geocities.com/columbiaabate</a>

More events and flyers of other ABATE chapters and other motorcycle related events can be found on the NY State Newsletter site at <a href="http://www.abateny.org/events/events.htm">http://www.abateny.org/events/events.htm</a>

The Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF) <a href="http://www.mrf.org">http://www.mrf.org</a> . The MRF is your national voice, acting as your Washington office. They will supply you with immediate information on issues of importance and, after careful analysis, recommend a careful course of action. "If you are an ABATE state member, you should also be an MRF member. KBK" The American Motorcycle Association (AMA) <a href="http://www.ama-cycle.org/">http://www.ama-cycle.org/</a>

Motorcycle Association of New York (MANYS) http://www.manys.org

New York State Dept. of Motor Vehicles http://www.nysdmv.state.ny.us

Motorcycle Safety Foundation (MSF) <a href="http://www.msf-usa.org">http://www.msf-usa.org</a>

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Senator Kirsten E. Gillibrand

531 Dirksen Senate Office Bldg Washington DC 20510 DC Phone: 202-224-4451 Chapter meeting minutes from July 2, 2009.

Meeting called to order at 6:59pm with 37 members present. Pledge of Allegiance recited. Welcome new members Mark, Jerry and Walt. As well as, Gary Meyers, our Regional coordinator and Tim Werder, ABATE State President.

Motion #20-09 made by Prospector with 2nd, to waive the reading of the previous month's minutes.

Vote: Unanimous

Treasurer's Report: given by Tricia

**Ending Balance** \$3591.57 SavingsBal. (200 Club) \$4887.30 Report Accepted as read Tricia would like everyone to know that the chapter was shorted at the Freedom Run in the amount of \$80. In the future we will be using a wristband, no wristband, no food and beverage at the end of the run.

### July Membership Report by Pete

**Members Outstanding** Mark Sawicky Earl Simpson Cindy Dallas Jason Seaman Mike Super Jeff Fumei Member dues for July Art Voetsch

Frank Sabo Robert Green

Denise Sabo George Ihlenburg Pete has been sending letters out to John B Smith members we have lost and is Chris Turriglio Tony Barry Gerald Wright getting some responses back.

Dave Bratton Jennifer Zola

Tom Donlon **Member dues for August** Report accepted as read

Mike Rutkowski Gene Gaylord

**Legislative Report**: by Prospector last weekend was at the harley rendezvous there were roadblocks but can't get any plaintifs for another lawsuit. Cap & Trade bill –not good tell your rep that you don't want it. It will surcharge your energy bills. Not a lot of coverage on it but get in touch with your representative. And as usual, I have applications for the MRF.

Newsletter Report: given by Karen. Our free website will be expiring soon, what does the chapter want to do and someone to take the webmaster postion over. **Motion #21-09** by Tony with 2<sup>nd</sup>, keep a website going with option to mail or email the newsletter. Vote: Unanimous. \*Bob D. -would like to see the newsletter back to a monthly basis. Karen -as Marile will be taking over the position, it will be her choice to bring that up with the chapter again in the future. As for this year the vote was made previously to have it bi-monthly. \*Thank you to Gus for stepping into the webmaster position; will check on costs involving a new site.

**Products:** given by Paula Have sleeveless tees and tanks on order Fall order will have to be in the beginning of August if you have any ideas, let me know. Yard signs are gone. We do have bumper stickers in from the state. Public Relations: given by Paula. Nothing at this time.

**Sgt at Arms Report**: given by Jack – Everything's good.

Road Captain Report: by Bob M. The route is set for the Mountain Run there will be 3 stops sign-up at 5pm leave at 6pm. 120 mile run.

Committee Reports: 200 Club' Still have tickets out, get them back to me.

Chatham Fair -sign-up for booth help, if you sign-up please show up or call. Karen is planning on having the entry tix for handout at our Aug. meeting.

Bozo Run -we are set to end at Meadowgreen's. Anyone wanting to start getting items for collections and/ or donations, please feel free to do so, article will be written for the papers as well.

Toy Run – List of volunteers to cook as of March: Karen, Joel, Gus, Zandra, Paula and Lynn. Reminder from Pete, that we will need about 30 door prize items.

Christmas Party 12/5 Dave was not available to report on the use of the Elks club but we are penciled for Kozels. Unfinished Business The quilt for the raffle is done chapter discussion on cost of tickets decided on \$1. Tickets can be made through PChop first 500 tickets free that more at reduced cost. Have a new member looking into the tickets, would like to have them for the '200 Club' party.

New Business Pat spoke about the idea of giving new members a t-shirt when they sign-up.

State chapter meeting is on Aug 15<sup>th</sup>

Motion #22-09 made by Mike with 2nd to adjourn meeting at 8:15pm. Submitted by Paula Palleschi, Secretary





Sunday, August 23rd, 2009

Registration 9-11 am Spitzie's Harley Davidson, 1970 Central Ave, Albany NY







\$25 per person Self-guided ride to SSFD BBQ by Chico's Soft Drinks
Door Prizes
Custom Event Pin—first 300 bikers

ee photo of your bike

By pro bike photographer dino petrocelli

Photographer for Orange County Choppers & major motorcycle magazines

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Sue Emanuele The Community Hospice 518,724,0200

Checks can be made payable and mailed to: The Community Hospice 445 New Karner Rd Albany, NY 12205 ATTN: Sue Emanuele ABATE OF NEW YORK, INC. COLUMBIA COUNTY CHAPTER P.O. Box 227, Hudson, NY 12534 LET THOSE WHO RIDE DECIDE

JULY /AUG. 2009 FIRST CLASS MAIL

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# NEXT MEETING / AUGUST 6, 2009 - 7:00 P.M. - WHITE STONE CAFÉ, RT. 66, GHENT Social Hour at 6pm

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