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You gotta fight for your right to repair - SUPPORT H.R. 906!

July 10, 2023

Do you enjoy working on your motorcycle? Do you want to guarantee access to the parts, tools and service information needed to modify, service and maintain your bike? If you answered yes to these questions, it's time to contact your member of the House of Representatives and ask them to cosponsor H.R. 906, the "Right to Equitable and Professional Auto Industry Repair Act" or the "REPAIR Act".

The REPAIR Act ensures that vehicle owners or repair shops are not denied access to the information, software or tools needed to work on vehicles. The proposed law also establishes rules regarding vehicle data access. This commonsense law will help preserve consumer choice and a fair marketplace

As of July 1st, 32 members of the House of Representatives have signed on in support. That is twice as many as were on the bill before the Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF) held its Bikers Insider the Beltway event in May! The MRF is making a difference, let's keep up the pressure!

Congress returns to Washington D.C. Tuesday, after a two-week break. That makes it the perfect time to contact your lawmaker and tell them you support H.R. 906.

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NCOM CONVENTION CELEBRATES SUCCESSES

Just days prior to the National Coalition of Motorcyclists' NCOM Convention, Nebraska repealed their mandatory helmet law to become the 33rd state allowing adult freedom of choice, and their hard-won success was a cause of celebration for the nationwide gathering of biker activists in Phoenix over Father's Day weekend.

To mark the occasion, A.I.M. (Aid to Injured Motorcyclists; ON-A-BIKE.com) rush-ordered the new 2024 version of their wallet-sized Calendar card to hand out, now in its 30th year of printing, showing a "U.S. Helmet Laws" map on the reverse side now indicating Nebraska as Free for 21 and older (eff. 01-01-24, stipulations apply)!

Our hats (helmets) off to ABATE of Nebraska, which was among many victories across the country to be recognized and celebrated. Hurdles too, both legislative and legal, were also addressed during various meetings and seminars throughout the 38th annual NCOM Convention, with positive commitments to work together on methods and solutions to the benefit of the entire motorcycle rights community.

"Seeing all the motorcycle rights groups, clubs and individual bikers coming together to learn and fight for their lifestyles is inspirational. But the understanding and commitment by leaders of NCOM and MRF (Motorcycle Riders Foundation; MRF.org) and some members of the NCOC (National Council of Clubs; councilofclubs.org) to communicate and work together is monumental," observed NCOM Executive Director Joseph "Joey" Lester, son of AIM/NCOM Founder attorney Richard M. Lester. Similar observations were echoed by other representatives of key organizations present.

"We want to make it perfectly clear that NCOM and MRF will be working hand in hand to show strength and unity in the ongoing fight for motorcyclists rights," pledged NCOM Chairman Charlie Boone (CBA/ABATE of North Carolina), adding that several NCOM board members will be attending the MRF's upcoming "Meeting of the Minds," September 20-24 in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania to further the alliance.

The 2024 NCOM Convention will return to Mother's Day Weekend, May 10-11, 2024 at a location TBD, so stay tuned to ON-A-BIKE.com.



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MIC WARNS OF BILLS THAT “WILL HINDER THE POWERSPORTS INDUSTRY”

The Motorcycle Industry Council (MIC; MIC.org) reports that two major bills have been passed in Minnesota and Maine that will create challenges for the powersports industry. One bill is set to ban products containing PFAS chemicals, and both of them specify strict reporting requirements.

In Minnesota, HF 2310 bans products for juveniles that contain PFAS beginning Jan. 1, 2025. It also specifies PFAS registration requirements beginning Jan. 1, 2026, and bans all products containing PFAS on New Year's Day in 2032.

The Maine legislation provides the industry with some relief, as H.P. 138 extends the PFAS reporting deadline to Jan. 1, 2025, and also exempts manufacturers that employ 25 or fewer people from reporting requirements.

However, Minnesota's new PFAS legislation will present significant challenges for powersports companies doing business in the state. “In powersports, PFAS chemicals can be found in or used to produce products such as riding gear, vehicle components resistant to heat, fuel, and chemicals, as well as semiconductors and chrome plating,” explains the MIC report, also noting that Perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances are a class of synthetic chemicals used for decades in a wide range of consumer products.

“PFAS presents a major powersports industry challenge, and whether you're an OE, aftermarket, or riding gear manufacturer, you must learn about government PFAS proposals and look for ways to replace PFAS in products you sell,” forewarns Eric Barnes, MIC technical programs vice president.

Both federal and state governments have examined the health impacts of PFAS in recent years and many bills have been introduced to ban its use. Some states are also setting up registries to list any vehicles, components, parts, and clothing that contain PFAS.

FIGHT FOR YOUR “RIGHT TO REPAIR”

If you want to continue to be able to work on your own motorcycle, with guaranteed access to the parts, tools and service information needed to modify, service and maintain it yourself, then you need to contact your member of the House of Representatives and ask them to cosponsor H.R. 906; the “Right to Equitable and Professional Auto Industry Repair” Act, or better known in Congress as the “REPAIR Act”.

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The MRF invites motorcycling constituents to communicate with your federal lawmakers via this link: <https://igniteadvocacy.com/go/you-gotta-fight-for-your-right-to-repair---support-h-r-906-/589>

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NCOM BIKER NEWSBYTES
Compiled & Edited by Bill Bish

OBITUARY
William H Bish
September 29, 1957 – August 4, 2023

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Corrigan Craciun Funeral Home

Family will receive friends to celebrate Bill's life Thursday, August 17, 2023, from 4 PM - 8 PM at Corrigan Craciun Funeral Home, 20820 Lorain Rd, Fairview Park OH 44126. Funeral Services 10 AM on Friday, August 18, 2023 at the Funeral Home with a procession following to the Ohio Western Reserve National Cemetery, 10175 Rawiga Rd, Seville, OH 44273 where he will be interred with full military honors.

William H. "Bill" Bish, age 65, of Westlake, Ohio passed away with his loving wife by his side on Friday, August 4, 2023 due to medical procedural complications. Bill was born in Des Moines, Iowa to Clarence "Rusty" Bish and Margaret "Mitzi" Bish (nee Sorter), both deceased.

Dearly beloved husband of 27 years to Darlene R. Bish (nee Griggs), loving father of Rachelle Bish (Joey Zika), dearest brother of Beverly (Dave) Booker, dearest brother-in-law of Mickey (Bill, deceased) Griggs, dearest nephew of Aunt Jo McGlynn and Aunt Norma Morgan (deceased), dear uncle, cousin and friend of so very many. Bill and Darlene were a team in everything they did together in life, truly adored one another, and had a deep, special love that comes only once in a lifetime. Within the family, the term 'Beep-Beep' became synonymous with the words 'I Love You'. Bill's family was his world. Bill enhanced this world on September 29, 1957 at Still (Mercy) Hospital and was the charismatic, mischievous boy who could out-draw Marshall Dillon of Gunsmoke on TV with his BB gun, which was a sign of things to come. Living his entire youth on 2nd Ave in Des Moines, he graduated from North High School in 1975 and joined the Marine Corps thereafter. That took him to San Diego CA, Memphis TN, Korea and Japan. Bill received many commendations, was a marksman on the shooting team, part of the Press Corps and reached the rank of E-5 Sargent during his tour. He was a proud Marine. He returned home in 1979 to go to Drake University, majoring in Journalism and Public Relations, where he graduated Cum Laude with a Bachelor's Degree in 3 years. He also bought a brand-new Harley-Davidson motorcycle.

Upon his college graduation, Bill was recruited to work for the National Rifle Association (NRA) in Washington DC where he ran celebrity shooting competitions and even wrote quotes for President Ronald Reagan, among other writing and promotional duties. He then headed for the sunshine of Los Angeles, CA where he really got involved in the world of motorcycling. He worked for various motorcycle attorneys, including over two decades with the Law Offices of Richard Lester in California and the Law Offices of Ralph C. Buss in Ohio, and even multiple years with the infamous Easyriders Magazine, the superlative biker's lifestyle guide of the time. Bill found his passion in legislation and politics affecting the industry, working to protect motorcycling and individual freedom through his paid positions and various volunteer organizations. Along with many others, his efforts helped grow a grassroots movement that changed a notorious federal law in four short years, which was unheard of. He helped make bikers a political force to be reckoned with.

Bill was a true biker, putting hundreds of thousands of miles riding around almost every state in this country; a nation he loved, that he would fight for, and that he thought had the most beautiful landscape to see, especially from the seat of a motorcycle. He traversed the country many times, usually with Darlene on her bike and Rachelle in the sidecar, speaking at various biker rallies and seminars. He was a very inspiring, captivating speaker, bigger than life. That's how he and Darlene met, at a Freedom Rally in Tennessee fighting for their rights. The two of them had an instant deep connection that was inexplicable, they were truly soulmates who found a love that was glorious. Their daughter Rachelle made his life complete and was the apple of his eye and he was so very proud of her.

Bill Bish was the former Executive Coordinator and current Public Relations Liaison of the National Coalition of Motorcyclists and Aid to Injured Motorcyclists (NCOM and AIM), former State Director of ABATE of California and Concerned Motorcycle Riders of Ohio (CMRO), member of ABATE of Ohio, Kentucky Motorcycle Association (KMA/KBA) and the American Motorcyclists Association (AMA), was on the original Steering Committee for the formation of the Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF) in the 80s, among other positions, and had been politically active for over 40 years in bikers' rights issues. He had four Silver Spoke Awards, including the Lifetime Achievement Award, and was inducted into the Sturgis Motorcycle Museum Hall of Fame in South Dakota, home of the Black Hills Motorcycle Rally. After moving to Ohio in 2001 to be by Darlene's family, the two of them got into the magazine business and eventually became owners/publishers of Ridin' On Motorcycle Magazine in 2007. It quickly became the #1 regional publication of its type and they were very proud of it and a summer-long program Bill created in 2008 called the Ride 'N' Roll, both of which still continue today. He was such a prolific wordsmith and has had a news column that went out to a half a million people for over two decades. He wrote for various magazines, lawyers, doctors, politicians and even a President. But more so, Bill was a GOOD man, a great man. He touched so, so many people with his kindness, his motivating speeches, his resolute spirit and his amazing sense of humor. Bill was a man of the utmost integrity and a generous caring soul that thought of everyone else first before himself. He was larger than life and his presence will be felt forever. Please remember his big smile and zest for life to live each day to its fullest, as he did.

Fond memories and expressions of sympathy may be shared at <http://www.CorriganCraciun.com> for the Bish family. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Bill Bish's name/honor to the National Coalition of Motorcyclists or any Motorcycle Rights Organization.
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MRF State Rep Report

Why do I exist? What is my purpose? Does what I do make a real difference?

These questions have perplexed mankind throughout history. I can't answer those questions, and no one else can answer them for you. For those answers, you need to look deeply into your own heart and your faith.

But, if I modify those questions slightly: Why does CMT/ABATE exist? What is the purpose of our organization? Does what we do together as a group of dedicated motorcyclists' rights activists make any real difference? These questions I can provide some insight to.

Why does CMT/ABATE exist? Easyriders Magazine published a history of the formation of the ABATE organizations throughout the USA. To distill five pages of history into a single statement from that document: "Our mission is positive. We want to educate lawmakers, to give them our side of the story, before laws are enacted, & we are devoted to working aggressively toward the abatement of all unfair, unjustified, arbitrary anti-bike laws everywhere." ([Read the full ABATE history here.](#)) Groups of bikers in each state recognized the threat to their very existence posed by poorly thought out, or even directly discriminatory, legislation. They saw the need to get better organized and present the real facts, with a strong, unified voice, to be sure that motorcyclists' concerns are properly addressed. It wasn't long after that, that those early motorcyclists' rights activists determined that we also needed a coordinated voice in Washington DC, and the MRF was soon born. ([See the MRF history here.](#)) CMT/ABATE is that strong unified voice here in Tennessee, and the MRF is that voice on a national level.

What is the purpose of our organization? Our own bylaws define our purpose: "The objects and purposes of the Corporation shall be to form a united motorcyclist's organization both at the individual local level and at the state level. The Members of the Corporation shall be dedicated to promoting fair motorcycle legislation and shall insure their freedom by working to prevent enactment of, or to repeal/modify existing unfair motorcycle legislation. The Corporation's Members shall promote and maintain motorcycling safety and awareness programs in the community." ([Read our full bylaws on the website here.](#)) To put it simply, our purpose is to promote legislation that is good for motorcycling, and fight legislation that is detrimental to motorcycling. We are also involved in motorcycle safety and awareness. Those goals should be foremost in our minds when planning any activities for CMT/ABATE.

Does what we do together as a group of dedicated motorcyclists' rights activists make any real difference? Unquestionably we have had a significant impact on legislation, both here in Tennessee and in Washington DC. The list of our accomplishments is extensive, and those successes are what allows us to enjoy riding as much as we do. ([Read highlights of CMT/ABATE accomplishments here.](#)) ([Read highlights of MRF accomplishments here.](#)) Yes, there are more goals that we would like to accomplish. And, Yes, we have experienced some defeats and setbacks over the years. But no defeat is ever final. We learn from those setbacks, and come back again with another approach, until we can finally claim success.

With organizations like CMT/ABATE and the MRF working for all motorcyclists, the future of motorcycling should be bright. But these organizations are only as strong as their membership. "Strength in numbers" is more than just an old saying – members are the lifeblood of our organizations. If you are at all concerned about protecting the future of motorcycling, you absolutely should be members of both CMT/ABATE and the MRF. Together we can expand upon our string of legislative successes, helping to ensure our right to...

...Ride Free,

-- Ed

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Congressional Committees Focused on MRF Priorities July 21, 2023

In the last 10 days, two committees in the House of Representatives have turned their attention to separate issues facing bikers. On July 12th, the House Energy and Commerce Subcommittee on Environment, Manufacturing, and Critical Materials held a markup on H.R. 1435, the Preserving Choice in Vehicle Purchases Act. By a vote of 13 to 8, the bill was forwarded onto the full Energy and Commerce Committee for consideration. This is a critical step in the legislative process. If the full committee also advances the bill, we may see the entire House of Representatives vote on the bill by the end of 2023.

Tuesday, the House Judiciary Subcommittee on Courts, Intellectual Property, and the Internet held a hearing titled "Is There a Right to Repair?" Subcommittee Chairman Darrell Issa (R-CA) stressed the need for federal guidelines on the right to repair. He pointed to several states that have their own laws on the topic, which has created a patchwork of differing rules. Without a federal standard, consumers, repair shops, and original equipment manufacturers are left to navigate a maze of regulations that vary across the country. The hearing was educational in nature, with law professors and CEOs answering questions from legislators about strategies and avenues to address this issue.

Holding hearings and conducting markups are ways politicians signal what they are focused on, and what their priorities are for the future. The Motorcycle Riders Foundation is pleased to see action on these two issues that impact motorcyclists. It also makes it the perfect time to tell Congress your thoughts on these issues!

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



God helps those who help themselves, so keep an eye out on the road.
Photo: The Bear

It can be hard to keep track of traffic even if you aren't distracted. Photo: The Bear

The Bear
8/1/2023

Distraction, Driver Attention, Featured, Multitasking

It's worse. That's what a new study published in the Journal of Experimental Psychology: Applied and reported in Scientific American, suggests. Distracted driving, it seems, is even more unsafe than previously thought. As usual the figures are just from America, but I'm sure the principle remains the same everywhere.

"In 2021 more than 3,500 drivers in the U.S. alone died in traffic accidents linked to distracted driving. Using a cell phone is the primary source of distraction, but entering navigational information, trying to eat and performing other such activities can be just as risky," according to the report.

"Multitasking has a hidden cost for drivers that past analyses have not taken into account," the report points out. "Participants between the ages of 18 and 58 completed a driving-related activity while also performing a distracting task. [In one study, the researchers] found that distraction depleted participants' ability to pay attention to their driving for at least half a minute after the distraction ended. That extended effect implies that the number of traffic accidents caused by distracted driving could be substantially higher than current estimates indicate."

Participants were tested during the distraction and for that half minute afterwards. In a follow-up study, when the testing time after the end of the distraction was extended to 45 seconds, the ability to pay attention to driving did not return for that entire period. I wonder just how long it really is.

The researchers involved asked themselves what might explain these findings. "When a person performs a cognitive task," they concluded, "they hold information from that task in their working memory: a 'mental workspace' where details can be both stored and processed. Your working memory helps you with tasks such as doing arithmetic in your head and remembering the name of someone you've just met. [The researchers] propose that when a task is completed, this information isn't purged from your working memory all at once. Rather it persists for some time, creating mental clutter that may divert attention away from subsequent tasks." That conclusion is not an outlier. "This work complements a large body of evidence that shows people tend to be bad at multitasking," says Scientific American. "In fact, people are generally worse at juggling tasks simultaneously than they believe themselves to be."

This research promotes the need to strengthen laws designed to reduce distracted driving, although I wonder how you'd enforce this. Legislation, they say, should define this concept broadly enough to include not only texting and other mobile phone use but also other activities that can divert a driver's attention away from the road, and keep it away. But good luck with that. In my experience, our local New South Wales law against mobile phone use is much more useful as a revenue generator than as a way to reduce phone use. Drivers just don't care. I presume (and hope, I guess) that this means they think they are not really endangering anyone. This is a timely reminder that they're even more wrong than they think they are.

And this finding applies to us, too. There are easily enough distractions on a modern motorcycle to take a rider's mind off the road, too. Phone calls, navigation, keeping an eye on fuel consumption and on and on; you could easily keep yourself amused without riding at all. But you are riding, and it's quite possible that you will become distracted and then stay distracted for that three-quarter minute or more after your task is done. On a motorcycle, this is even more dangerous than in a car. I'm sure I don't have to explain why.

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**Robertson County, July 2023
Meeting Minutes**

We opened the meeting with some discussion of the business matters from our recent State Board meeting and followed with a discussion of the upcoming Southern Thunder Rally. Everything is ready.

August 2023 Meeting Minutes

We opened the meeting with some discussion about open positions in the organization and mentioned the upcoming rodeo event at Dickson Humphreys. Glenn from Music City was our guest and he gave us an update for the music since there was a slight change in band lineup.

Best Regards,
J. Robert Forbus

**UPPER CUMBERLAND
CHARTER MINUTES
7/2/23**

Treasurer Reported \$2,781 in account.

Activities:

- Fun Run Sheets are available for \$10 each. Finalization of Fun Run will be at our Christmas Party/Meeting on December 3rd at Scooters. Liberty Rally is set for September 8-10 at Jackson County Fairgrounds. BOD Meeting will be after the Liberty Rally on September 10th.
- Memorial Ride will be July 15th, if weather permits. Meet at the Whistle Stop at 10 am.
- Fun Run Run will be August 19th. Meet at the Red Ale at 10 am.
- Southern Thunder Rally is August 25-27. See Lynn for tickets.

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8/6/23**

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Meetings:

September 3rd – Docks

October 1st – Changed from the Roost to Boones

November 5th – JD Sandwich Shop

December 3rd – Scooters

**SUMNER COUNTY CHAPTER MEETING
AUGUST 2023**

We had to move our monthly August meeting to the fourth week due to storms causing a power outage at the VFW. We had a few show up when we did have the meeting but wasn't a normal attendance. We discussed the upcoming event for Dickson and the want to attend their rodeo coming up on August 5th. Also discussed the STR and the need to push selling the presale tickets. Sumner county activities including vendors, port-a-potty, trophies are all in the works for the STR 2023. We need to have a calendar for the whole year available for everyone in the newsletter. This will help to improve attendance and be available when events are needing to be rescheduled due to inclement weather, OR unexpected issues Looking forward to the STR and hope to see everyone there!!
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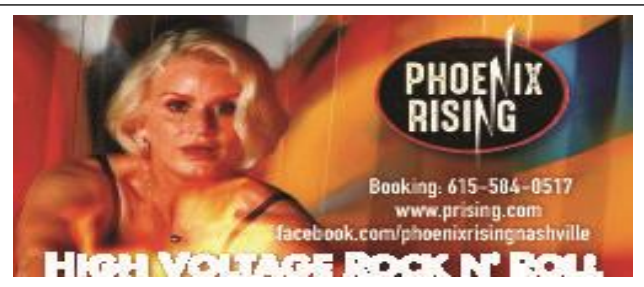
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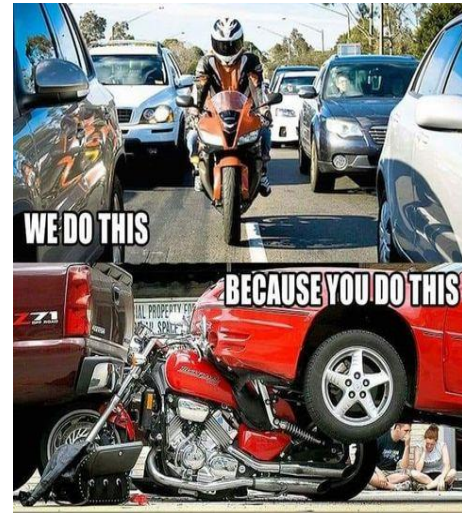
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