

## A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota, Lake Chapter

**Date:** May 5th, 2023

**Location:** Mission Park, St Bonifacius, MN, 3pm.

<b>President:</b>	April Murch	<u>X</u>	<b>Sergeant at Arms:</b>	Cyndi Buttweiler	<u>X</u>
<b>Vice President:</b>	Jim Kosse	<u>X</u>		Dean Webb	<u>      </u>
<b>Chapter Rep:</b>	Scott Trout	<u>X</u>		Gaida Trout	<u>X</u>
<b>Treasurer:</b>	Dale Morin	<u>X</u>		Jim Bengston	<u>X</u>
<b>Secretary:</b>	Maureen O'Hern	<u>X</u>		Mike Jencks	<u>X</u>
				Todd Riba	<u>      </u>

**Total numbers of members attending:** 27

**Guests:** Shelly & Dan

**New Members:** Jeff

**Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance:** Mike J.

**Mtg Start Time:** 3:02pm

**Mtg End Time:** 4:08pm

**Welcome to members and guests; President's Remarks; Vice-President's Remarks:** April – Good afternoon and welcome. This was a busy weekend “Thank you” to everyone who participated in and supported all the events: the membership table at Moon Motorsports, The Tri-County Run, The Dirty Rotten Bikerfest and the ditch pickup. Welcome to Shelly and Dan for attending our meeting. Shelly - Thanks for the election. If you ever have any questions give her a call. April passed around a thank you note for Sons of Silence for hosting our meeting. April presented a Write to Ride patch to Jim K. Jarimia and Jeff were each presented with an A.B.A.T.E. state patch and a Lake Chapter rocker as new members. Jim – It has been busy so far with runs and events get ready for more.

### Officer Reports:

**Secretary's report:** Maureen O'Hern

**Motion to accept the minutes as written -** Keith “Smoker” E., 2nd Lee P. Motion passed.

**Treasurer's Report:** Dale Morin

**Motion to accept the Treasurer's report -** Jim B., 2nd Randy D. Motion passed.

**Chapter Rep Report:** Scott Trout – Scott has advanced tickets for the State Rally, raffle tickets and sponsorship forms. He has member, business, and veteran of the month forms. Upcoming event flyers were passed around. We were given an opportunity to join an inexpensive prescription drug program. Please look over the info and later we will get a consensus on whether or we want to participate. Passport books are available. April passed around a flyer for the 13th annual Dick York run called the Antique Iron Vintage bike run on Sept 7th.

### Committee Reports, Vice President:

**Membership:** Maureen O'Hern – Thank you to Karen, Keith, Tammi & Dean for sitting with me at Moon Motorsports. May #s 99 singles & 140 couples, which is down 26 from last month. May 11th, Wright County Cycle Swap, Wright County Fairgrounds, 8am-3pm. May 14th Cycle Gear in Maple Grove's bike night, April and I will attend that.

**Products:** Gaida Trout – She has new memorial patches for Tim S. Let her know what type of sweatshirt you would like and if you want any extra printing on the sleeves.

**Special Events – Grounded Hogs:** Keith “Smoker” Efron. Sponsorship forms. Start thinking about poster and shirt designs. Smoker will reach out to Mike Berger to see if he'll design our poster. Jim K. is still looking for motorcycle parts for his sculpture. Jarimia will get together with Jim because he has some parts.

**Special Events – Memorial Run:** Jim K. - Saturday May 25th. Jim went over the list of stops. There is a get together at Mike J's following the run.

**Special Events – Spring Run:** Mike J. & the Chapter Sergeant's at Arms – details are below.

**Special Events – Fall Run:** Open - Date Tickets, Poster, Road Noise Ad

**Training and Education:** Sherry Edgett – Jim – Classes are June 8th & 9th. There are 4 openings in the Intermediate class and 1-2 openings in the advanced class. We have another opportunity to push the classes at the Cycle Gear bike night on May 14th. Jarimia – The state is in desperate need of coaches it pays \$36 an hour. Paid training is available, and the state requires you to teach a minimum of 4 classes a year.

**Public Relations:** Tammie Black 2025 Chapter calendar photos can be submitted to [tblack692010@hotmail.com](mailto:tblack692010@hotmail.com). Tammie would like photos of everyone on their bike. Chapter photo will be at the tent at noon.

**Buddy Bears:** Cyndi Buttweiler / Jim Kosse – Buddy Bears were not handed out at ABATE U. The bears for 5 chapters will be shipped to Cyndi and she will deliver them to the chapters.

**Motion to accept the Committee reports -** Keith “Smoker” E., 2nd Cyndi B. Motion passed.

#### **Other Reports, President:**

**MRF Report:** Todd Riba – You can join the MRF at [mrf.org](http://mrf.org). April South Dakota did a great job hosting Heartland S.T.E.A.M. In 2025 it will be held in Iowa, in 2026 it will be held in Minnesota. There was a lot of useful information shared. Jim B. South Dakota did a fantastic job they set the bar high for us. Frank – The MRF does a good job of getting people into the breakout classes we can learn from them. Shelly passed out a couple T-CLOCK reminder flyers.

**Dial-A-Ride:** Scott Trout – Scott had DAR material to hand out. Dave Truax volunteered for the lion’s share of the DAR shifts. Thank you, Dave. Gaida saw a bunch of the coasters in use at Waverly Bar & Grill.

**Government Relations/Legislative Report:** Frank Ernst – Thank you to Lake Chapter, LC did not have the highest percentage of members attending Bikerday at the State Capital, but you did have the highest number of members attend Bikerday. A lot of bills are being stuffed into omnibus bills because we are coming to the end of the session. There are a lot of motorcycle related bills that are pending.

**MN Motorcycle Safety Task Force:** Open - Jim B. received an email from Dale Peterson stating that Gov. Walz signed the May is Motorcycle Awareness Month proclamation.

**State Rally:** Keith “Smoker” Efron Smoker - 16 advanced tickets are available for sale. Thank you to Lake Chapter for the sponsorships you get. Rally shifts are Security Friday 12 pm-4 pm (2 on patrol and 2 on shuttle) and Front gate Saturday 8 am-11:30am (4 people needed). If you sign up for a shift, please show up. Smoker is still looking for a country band for Sunday night. There was discussion about having the bike show outside the south gate, the consensus was a “Yes.” You can download a rally flyer from the A.B.A.T.E. website, so you share the info. Rally raffle tickets are \$10.

**Pick A Winner:** Karen May - Buzz P. was the winner of the \$5 off products coupon. He has 2 months to use his coupon.

#### **Old Business:**

True Friends Bike Show Discussion- Mike J. will get together with Mitch to figure out the details of visiting Camp Courage and/or Camp Friendship.

Set up future chapter meeting locations & dates. – Motion to skip the September meeting – Lee P., 2nd Blythe B. Motion passed. See below for other meeting info.

Passport Books are available for sale. These are \$20 each.

Additional ABATE U Hospitality Room expenses. Motion to Reimburse Smoker for \$65.64 for A.B.A.T.E. U expenses – Lee P., 2nd Jeff Motion passed. Smoker - Thank you to everyone who helped with the hospitality room. Thank you to Smoker for all his work.

#### **New Business:**

First Aid kits – Lee P. spoke about having Randy make up first aid kits that we can donate to other chapters when they have fundraisers or runs. **Motion to reimburse Randy D. up to \$200 to make a minimum of 4 First Aid kits – Lee P., 2nd Karen M. Motion passed.**

Reimburse April for flowers – Motion to reimburse April \$112.43 for the plant sent to Dawn R’s father’s funeral – Randy D., Cyndi B. Motion passed.

Steven J. Kreitlow award flag request (flown on 8/6) – April Murch will take care of this.

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### **Upcoming Meetings, Vice President:**

June 1st – Rendezvous Bar, Annandale, 3 pm  
July 13th – Smoker’s Airport Marine and Storage, Breezy Point 3 pm  
July 27th (August mtg) – Uptown Bar & Grill, Waverly, 3pm.  
September – No meeting  
October 5th – TBD  
November 2nd – Dave’s Town Club, Delano, 3pm.  
December 7th – Madigan’s, Maple Lake, 3pm.

### **Events, Vice President:**

May 11th, Wright County Cycle Swap, Wright County Fairgrounds, 8am-3pm.  
May 11th, MN Wash Out, I94 Enfield Rest Stop (mile marker 187) 9am-12pm.  
May 18th, BACA 100-mile run, Stoney’s Bar, Rockville, 11 am.  
May 20th-21st, Bikers Inside the Beltway.  
May 25th, Chapter Memorial Run, Hopkins American Legion, 9am leave for Fort Snelling. 12pm leave the Hopkins American Legion for the rest of the run.  
June 8th-9th, Riders Training Classes.  
June 8th, Sand Dunes Bike Rodeo Bailey Ray’s Roadhouse, Santiago, 11am.  
June 15th, Lake’s Spring into Summer Run. Registration S.O.S Clubhouse at 11 am, Kickstands up at 12 pm.  
June 29th – Big Lake Spud Run, Tootsie's Lakeside Pub, Registration 8:30am - 10:00am, Kickstands up at 10:30.  
July 3rd-6th, A.B.A.T.E. of Iowa Freedom Rally, Algona, IA.  
July 11-14th, Clean N Sober Bike Rally 2024, 15237 County Road 8, Comfrey, MN.  
July 19th-20th, BOD Spring Valley, campground.  
Aug 1st-11th- Sturgis Rally.  
Aug 6th, MN day in Central City, SD.  
Aug 17th – Gear Head Get Together, Maple Lake, 8am-6pm.  
Aug 17th – VFW Summerfest, Monticello.  
Aug 30th-Sept 2nd- MN State Rally Litchfield Fairgrounds.  
Aug 31st - Informal gathering at Chapter tent Saturday 12 pm.  
Sept 1st – SW District meeting, Lake Chapter tent, Meeker County Fairgrounds, 9am.  
Sept 7th – the Antique Iron Vintage bike run, Zap’s Leather.  
Sept 25th-29th – Meeting of the Minds Renaissance St. Louis Airport Hotel, St Louis, MO.

**Motion to adjourn** – Cyndi B.    2nd    Karen M.    Motion passed.

### **Rally Meetings:**

May 18th, 12:00 Rally Meeting Litchfield Eagles Club  
June 15th, 12:00 Rally Meeting Litchfield Eagles Club  
July 19th 8 pm Rally Meeting Spring Valley, campground  
Aug 17th 12:00 Rally Meeting Litchfield Eagles Club

### **Motions made at the May 5th Meeting:**

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