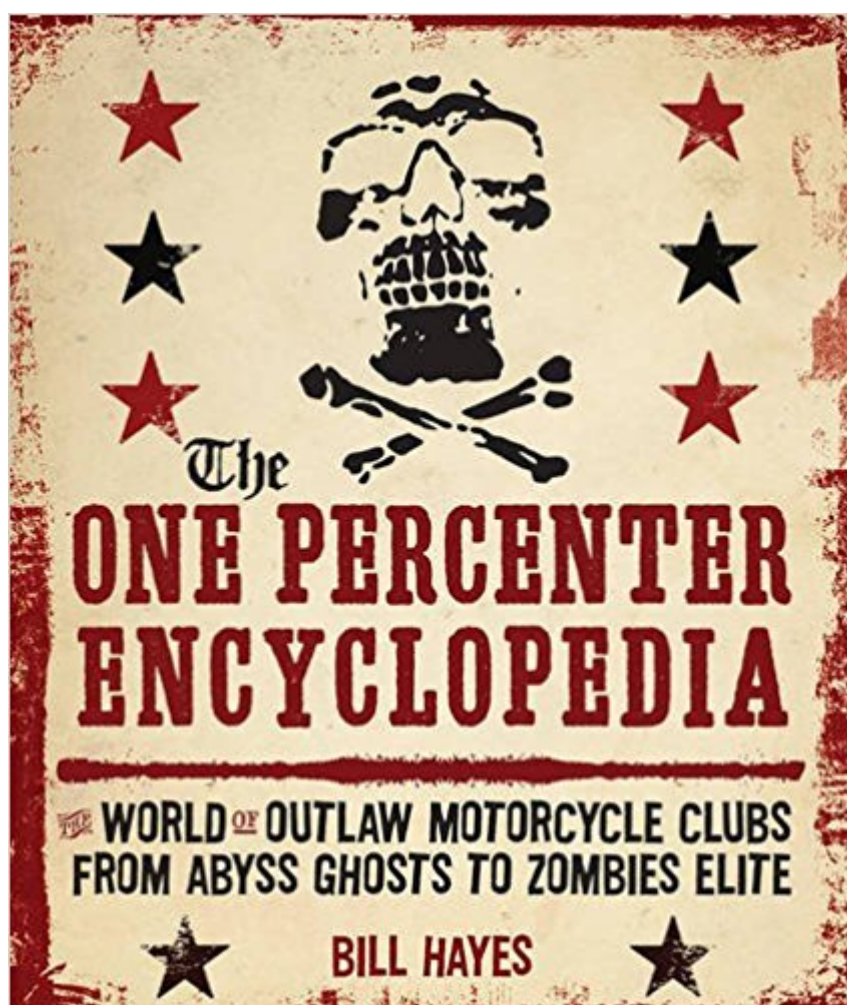


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The One Percenter Encyclopedia: The World Of Outlaw Motorcycle Clubs From Abyss Ghosts To Zombies Elite



Synopsis

Ever wonder how the Hells Angels got their name? Ever wonder about that little demonic critter on the Pagan's patch? Ever wonder about the local one-percenter motorcycle club that hangs out at the corner bar? The One-Percenter Encyclopedia answers these questions and many more. Featuring concise entries that include information on founding chapters, founding dates, number of chapters, number of members, and club biography, this book covers all the major clubs—Hells Angels, Outlaws, Pagans, Mongols, Vagos—as well as lesser-known clubs from around the world.

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Customer Reviews

Ever wonder how the Hells Angels Motorcycle Club got its name? Curious about that demonic critter on the Pagan's patch? What about the local one-percent motorcycle club that hangs out at the corner bar? The One-Percenter Encyclopedia: From Abyss Ghosts to Zombies Elite answers these questions and fills in the blanks on many more. Author Bill Hayes takes you deep inside the secretive, sometimes dangerous, yet always exciting world of outlaw motorcycle clubs. Learn about when and where these clubs were founded, about the colorful, sometimes crazy people who started them, and why many of them are famous—or infamous. Through painstaking research, first-hand interviews with members of the major clubs, and rare club photos, Bill Hayes brings the world of the one percenter to life. The One-Percenter Encyclopedia presents, for the first time ever, a thorough resource for anyone interested in the one-percenter world.

Bill Hayes is one of those rare authors who abides by the age-old writing advice: "Write what you know." And for him, it works. His love for motorcycles--specifically the always-compelling biker culture--launched his writing success. His bestselling book, *The Original Wild Ones: Tales of the Boozefighters Motorcycle Club*, followed by *American Biker* (www.americanbikerthebook.com) and *The One-Percenter Encyclopedia* have all become classics within the genre. Hayes has served as the National Press and Publicity Officer for the Boozefighters Motorcycle Club (BFMC), continually striving to get the media to trade in their sensationalism for the truth.

The ONE PERCENTER ENCYCLOPEDIA alludes to being an A-Z authority on outlaw motorcycle clubs ... a one-stop shop for anything/everything pertaining to such clubs ... quite appealing to anyone curious in learning more about the outlaw biker culture. While the book provides a nicely organized listing of outlaw clubs with a decent collection of color photos, it lacks the substantive content I was expecting for a book with "encyclopedia" in its title. Organized alphabetically, THE ONE PERCENTER ENCYCLOPEDIA does provide general information about a large number of bike clubs, including a multitude of lesser-known groups. Most of the entries follow a standard base of details such as date of origin, estimated membership and the territory the clubs preside. As expected, the larger, more recognizable (infamous?) clubs receive more lavish, multiple-paged entries and more photographs, but not much. Considering the subject matter, the listing of clubs is likely incomplete/ever-changing and the availability of elaborate details is understandably scant as secrecy plays a part into the one-percenter culture; I don't fault the author for this. My issue is that the book could have been so much more, well ... "encyclopedic". It would have been nice to see the colors/patch accompanying each club entry. The larger clubs do have known histories (proven by the numerous television documentaries like the "Gangland" series and books written by actual members) that could have provided significantly more information, timelines, leadership, etc. Appendices could have shed light on the various add-on patches and symbolism. Other, overview topics could have been covered as well: the numerous other patches worn, crime, tattoos, the role of women in these groups, a timeline of significant events and how the culture has progressed/regressed over the years. The whole one-percenter culture is enigmatic, ominous and provocatively interesting to those who don't ride. I believe the ONE PERCENTER ENCYCLOPEDIA is an interesting and colorful presentation of a large list of outlaw biker clubs. On the surface, the book serves as a decent overview that covers a large number of the more obscure clubs and should satisfy those with little knowledge of such clubs. But for those who enjoy reading about biker clubs,

the ONE PERCENTER ENCYCLOPEDIA will likely fall short of being the resource it is expected to be.

Truly an encyclopedic look at the world of the top 1% of biker clubs. Some entries are long and detailed, others are short, but the information seems correct and well-written. Hayes covers the top motorcycle clubs throughout the world and through the past seventy years. A good reference to the most famous motorcycle clubs around the world.

People I know are in this book, who knew!

great

Good information, however, thought it had far too many international 1% clubs mentioned, and not enough focus or history on ones here in America, that are far more familiar.

A lot of information. Not very in depth however. Just club names, dates formed, and locales. Some are wrong. Some not included.

good book, it was ok, i guess this book was written based upon information available at the time, entertaining for those of us in the biker world, although most of the clubs listed showed little or next to nothing about the club with 1 or 2 exceptions

looks like they just did a Google search to write the book. it was ok, I just ended up flipping through it.

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