

# SINE DIE!



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It's official, the 53rd Legislature, 2nd Regular Session has adjourned Sine Die.

Here is a recap the bills I was working on this session...

While I initially thought it was a rough session for our legislative agenda, looking at the list below, we actually accomplished a lot this session. Not everything we wanted to get done, but I count the session as a win for motorcyclists in Arizona.

**SUPPORTED**  
HB 2383 is on the Governor's desk  
HB 2522 is on the Governor's desk  
HB 2208 was never heard in the

Appropriations Committee and is dead for the year.  
HB 2260 was vetoed by the Governor.  
HB 2342 was signed in law by the Governor  
HB 2383 is on the Governor's desk  
HB 2413 was signed into law by the Governor  
HB 2522 is on the Governor's desk  
HB 2575 was signed into law by the Governor.  
HB 2599 was held in committee and is dead for the year.  
HM 2001 was never heard in committee and is dead for the year.

SB 1007 did not get past the stakeholder's meeting and is dead for the year.  
SB 1025 was not heard in committee and is dead for the year.

SB 1110 was signed into law by the Governor.  
SB 1279 did not get heard in the Rules Committee and is dead for the year.  
SB 1286 did not get a final floor vote and is dead for the year.

**SUPPORT BUT NEEDS AMENDED FIRST**  
SB 1015 was withdrawn by the sponsor and is dead for the year.

**NEUTRAL**  
HB 2019 was signed into law by the

Governor  
HB 2159 never made it past the Conference Committee and is dead for the year.  
HB 2189 was signed in law by the Governor  
SB 1075 did not make it past COW and is dead for the year.  
SB 1261 did not get a final floor vote and is dead for the year.  
**OPPOSED**  
HB 2007 was signed in law by the Governor  
HB 2063 never made it out of the House and is dead for the year.  
HB 2348 was held in a committee and is dead for the year.  
HB 2433 never made it out of the House and is dead for the year.  
HB 2539 never made it out of the House and is dead for the year.  
HB 2580 never made it out of the House and is dead for the year.  
SB 1033 was not heard in a committee and is dead for the year.  
SB 1199 was defeated in a floor vote and is dead for the year.  
SB 1316 was not heard in a committee and is dead for the year.

With the session over, the legislators who are not term limited will be running for re-election. I will be working to finish up our Legislative Scorecard over the next week.

Thank you to all who shared our emails, call to actions, made phone calls and sent emails. You all deserve a loud round of applause.

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Yavapai Chapter meets the 2nd Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. at the VFW Post 541 in Prescott – 202 N Arizona Ave / 928-776-1125. For more information, please contact Dan Tumey @ 928-308-9911 or ycabateaz@gmail.com. See us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/ycabateaz/>.

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### EDITOR'S NOTE:

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## News from the MRF

For Immediate Release  
 March 12, 2018

Motorcycle Riders Foundation Responds to NHTSA Document on Motorcycle Fatalities

WASHINGTON, DC – Today, the Motorcycle Riders Foundation released its latest iteration of "Fact or Fiction" a document that takes a closer look at a government fact sheet concerning motorcycle injuries and fatalities.

In February, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration released a Traffic Safety Facts document specific to motorcycles. The information is extrapolated from the Fatality Analysis

Reporting System (FARS) which is a census of fatal crashes in all 50 States. Though the information in the fact sheet is contained in a larger agency document, motorcycle-specific information is collated into its own publication.

After reviewing and analyzing the document, the Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF) quickly issued a statement and updated its "Fact or Fiction" paper, reacting to the NHTSA publication. Since 2010, the group has made a conscious effort to understand, analyze and provide additional context to government-issued statistics. According to the MRF's Director of Motorcycle Safety and Vice-President of the Board of Directors Jay Jackson, this effort helps set the record straight and gives the broader motorcycle community a better understanding of where potential concerns may be identified.

The latest iteration of Fact or Fiction drills down on the data itself, raising concerns that the statistics also include mopeds, scooters and off-road bikes and therefore is not necessarily indicative of a factual problem. Further, that data should not be used in any serious discussion on ways to reduce motorcycle traffic fatalities because its bringing in very different classes of motorbikes, some of which are not even used for street riding. Another interesting statement from the publication takes a deeper dive on alcohol impairment and motorcycles. Though NHTSA cites that 25% of motorcyclists were killed in a crash involving alcohol, it does not mention that in passenger vehicles this figure was 28% in comparison. By not including this, it suggests to the reader that impaired driving is unique to motorcycles when in fact, it's a broader passenger vehicle problem.

When asked for comment, President and Chairman of the Board for the Motorcycle Riders Foundation Kirk 'Hardtail' Willard explained, "We think its important for the public to understand the full context of these kinds of government publications. I view it as a knowledge versus wisdom argument: knowledge is knowing that a tomato is a fruit. Wisdom is not putting it in a fruit salad."

The NHTSA publication can be viewed here: <https://crashstats.nhtsa.dot.gov/Api/Public/ViewPublication/812492nhe>

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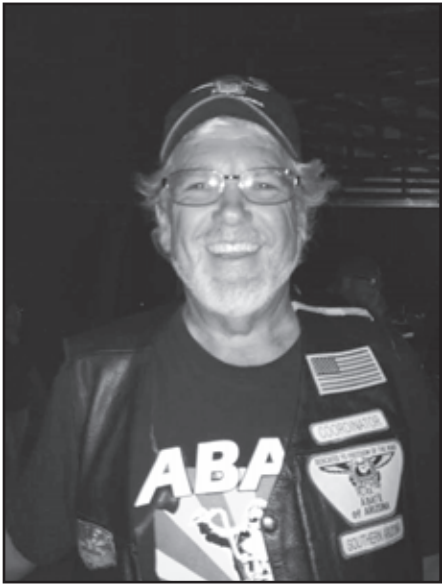
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### Mission Statement

We will lobby and educate the government and the general public to promote motorcycling in a safe and positive image.  
 We will endeavor to enlist the cooperation and participation of all organizations and individuals who share a similar interest in preserving our American tradition of **FREEDOM**.  
 We will involve ourselves in fund raising to achieve our goal.

## President's Report



By Jim Butsback

Greetings Fellow supporters of Motorcycle Rights!!

First of all I would like to thank all the members of ABATE for their support and understanding these past few months. As you must have noticed we have not published the Masterlink since the February issue. For those who did not know, our Editor Eric was taken ill and was not able to put together the paper while he was recovering. He is doing well and he continues to get better every day. He is finally to the point where he feels confident at working on the paper. So keep him in your thoughts and wish him continued health on his road to full recovery.

For those who may not know I was also taken ill in March. On March 29th I went in for a routine test and was then told I needed emergency open heart surgery and was transferred by ambulance to St. Mary's Hospital in Tucson. On Friday March 30th I went through a 7 hour surgery to replace my aortic valve and 3 bypasses on my heart. I am recovering well and hopefully the surgeon will give me clearance so I can get back to a more normal existence and resume my normal routine. I want to thank everyone who visited and called. I also wish to thank everyone who sent cards etc..

Please remember that the Masterlink is your newsletter too! If you or your chapter or members hold an event or ride, or attend any events or socials with the various organizations throughout our state, PLEASE take some photos and write a short story/description of the event and

submit it to the Masterlink! We always need additional material to fill the pages and we would rather cover the happenings here in Arizona and give coverage to our fellow riders and their groups for functions and events they are having, so don't be shy and submit some photos and/or an article!

Today as I sit down to write this Mike Infanzon is in Washington D.C. attending the "10th Annual Michael "Boz" Kerr Bikers in the Beltway" which is put on by our friends at the Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF). This event is a way for motorcyclists to get the attention of our representatives in Congress by gathering riders from all across our nation to come to Washington and lobby as a group.

Mike also attended the National Coalition of Motorcyclists (NCOM) convention this past week in Mobile Alabama. This event is a gathering of hundreds of the most active people in the motorcycle rights movement. There are seminars and meetings held daily. I want to thank Mike for taking the time out of his busy schedule to attend these events and represent all of the members of ABATE of Arizona!

This year Motorcycle Day at the Dome was held May 2nd. This coincided with May being Motorcycle Awareness Month. Every year ABATE of Arizona works with ALL the other Motorcycle Rights Organizations (MROs) to put on this event. We had several guest speakers. There were also representatives from AMSAF and other organizations which support motorcycle issues. A representative from Governor Ducey's office presented the State Proclamation declaring May Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Month in Arizona! We also had several Mayors' and elected representatives from around the state to announce the issuing of Proclamations declaring May Motorcycle Awareness Month. This format seemed to work well and was a great way to share information with all in attendance. We hope to expand on this program for next year. Please plan on attending this great event next year.

Congratulations to our Designated Lobbyist Mike Infanzon!! Mike was honored by the Arizona Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Foundation (AMSAF) with their 2018 Commitment &

Dedication Award!! This was presented to him at Motorcycle Day at the Dome by representatives from AMSAF! This is well deserved Mike! Keep up the good work and thank you for representing ABATE of Arizona with the professional image that you always put forward.

The first weekend in May our High Country Chapter hosted their 14th Annual "Wild in the Weeds" Biker Rally! This was held at the Punkin' Center Bar & Grill in Tonto Basin, AZ. This is a wonderful event and I encourage all chapters to try and attend this event next year. It is very important that we all support each other's events. Put it on your chapter calendar for next year. This event is always held the first weekend of May.

Well, "TOO BROKE FOR STURGIS" is June 7th thru the 10th! The TBFS committee has been working very hard to make this our best event yet. The amount of man hours that is needed to put on this event is staggering. The bands have been signed and things are moving along well but we need everyone possible to help make this a success. It is our only real fund raiser for the state. Please plan on attending and helping to support ABATE of Arizona. Mormon Lake Lodge where the event is held is located in the beautiful pine forest of Coconino National Forest just Southeast of Flagstaff. Besides all the activities provided by the TBFS committee the Lodge also has a lounge, restaurants, a store and activities like horseback riding and a stocked fishing pond. The location also lends itself to day rides to the various points of interest like the Grand Canyon and Winslow. Please come up and support ABATE and all we do for ALL the motorcyclists in Arizona and enjoy the weekend with your fellow riders.

In September, the Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF) is once again putting on their National Motorcyclist Conference which is known as the "Meeting of the Minds". In an effort to get more of these events held in the western states so as to try and make attending easier for more folks west of the Mississippi, ABATE of Arizona has come together with ABATE of Colorado, ABATE of Utah and the Nevada Soldiers for Jesus to host this event. It is a HUGE undertaking and also can be expensive to host an event of this size. Because of this

we gathered with our fellow freedom fighters from these western states to defer the expense and to better be able to get enough volunteers. The convention will be held in Denver, Colorado from September 20th through September 23rd, 2018. The location is the Renaissance Denver Hotel, 3801 Quebec St., Denver Co. 80207.

Because ABATE of Arizona is one of the sponsor organizations we will be in real need of volunteers to help. If you have never been to an event like this, this is a real opportunity to go to one close by. There will be a lot more information coming out on this but please plan on attending and mark your calendars and get your time planned so you can be there. Many of us will be riding up and sharing rooms to save expenses so come along and ride with us. It would be great to have a LARGE contingent of ABATE of Arizona members riding in force!

If you are not yet a member of the MRF, I strongly urge you to join. The MRF represents ALL motorcyclists on a national level in Washington DC. They have a VP of Government Affairs & Public Relations who lobbies for us all (and who is from Arizona). They also publish The MRF Reports to inform us of what is happening in Washington. This is too big a job for just us; we need the MRF to work for all the State Motorcycle Rights Organizations in the country. They need our support to do it. Please consider joining the MRF and encourage others to also join. The information is in the Masterlink. Sign up to receive MRF alerts! Be sure not to miss any news or calls to action from the MRF! Email – [mrffice@mrf.org](mailto:mrffice@mrf.org) to make sure your e-mail is included on your membership.

Remember that the reason more motorcyclists are not members of ABATE is because they have never been asked to join! So when you are out with other riders at an event or maybe you just ran into another rider at the gas stop, ASK! Always carry a membership tri-fold with you. The time to organize and fight for our rights and freedoms is BEFORE they are all gone!

Until next month!  
Ride Free!! Ride Safe!! Ride ENDORSED!!  
Jim

## Bikers Inside the Beltway 2018

Mike Infanzon  
ABATE of AZ Designated Lobbyist

Washington, DC

This was my second year heading to our nation's Capital to lobby on the Hill for Arizona motorcyclists. I hope my efforts are fruitful. Especially after walking over 12 miles through DC.

This year we were focused on four different issues.

### 1. CONGRESS MUST MAKE CHANGES TO THE RENEWABLE FUEL STANDARD

This issue is needed on a national level. This is our fight against higher ethanol blended gasoline. As you know, E15 and E85 blended fuels are not approved to be used in motorcycles. This is due to concerns for potential damage to fuel lines, injectors, seals, gaskets and valve seats,

as well as to carburetors. In fact, several motorcycle manufacturers will void your warranty for using this blended fuel. I have been trying to get legislation passed on a state level and this would guarantee on a federal level the availability of fuel blends with no more than 10 percent ethanol by volume at fuel stations across the nation.

### 2. PASS THE RECOGNIZING THE PROTECTION OF MOTORSPORTS ACT (S.203, H.R.350)

Members of both the House and the Senate have advanced legislation that would protect the rights of Americans to modify their motorcycles as they see fit. This legislation needs a floor vote in the House and to get out of the EPW Committee in the Senate.

### 3. PASS THE AV START ACT (S.1885)

This is the autonomous vehicle legislation. Even though we believe that autonomous technology in other vehicles could yield substantial safety benefits for riders by helping to eliminate "human error" which, on average, causes over 90% of crashes each year. However, motorcycles MUST be considered in any regulatory activity that governs autonomous vehicles. It is paramount that the technology used within autonomous vehicles recognize and respond to motorcycles before they are allowed on the street into the public. Also, motorcycles must be included in the automakers reports and be available to the public.

We know all about trying to get an anti-profiling bill passed. It's not easy, especially since the House Memorial we attempted to get passed this session contained very similar language as the federal resolutions. I will write more about this very soon.

On Tuesday, my day started off meeting with Michael Wong, legislative director for Representative Sinema. We met like old friends. The Congresswoman has already co-sponsored the RPM Act and is still the only Arizona Representative who has co-sponsored the Anti-profiling resolution.

From there we met with Jake Kennedy at Senator Flake's office and laid out our concerns and asked if we could count on the Senator's support of these bills.

Since Representative Grijalva and Gallegos did not confirm an appointment for me, we dropped in on them. Matt Lee, who works for Congressman Gallegos, took some time to sit down and go over the issues with us.

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## Chapter Reports

### East Valley Chapter

NO REPORT

### High Country Chapter

NO REPORT

### Phoenix/Shadow Mountain

NO REPORT

### Southern Arizona Chapter

NO REPORT

### Yavapai Chapter

Greetings!

May was a busy month for us with MC Day at the Dome, International Female Ride Day, MC Awareness Month's fun event on the Prescott's Courthouse Square, followed by the Proclamation at the City Hall meeting, and other fun events. Come see what we are all about.

We seek riders and non-riders of all 2- and 3-wheeled on or off-road vehicles to bring ideas to our monthly meetings, and take away Important information on cur-

rent legislation, safety issues, and local events. If you can't attend, please send us an email!

We meet at VFW Post 541 on the second Wednesday of each month at 6 pm, 5 if you want dinner. 202 N Arizona Ave, Prescott. 928-776-1125; <http://vfw541prescott.org/>

They serve a fabulous, reasonably-priced dinner, so join us at 5 to eat and socialize.

For more information, contact [yca-bateaz@gmail.com](mailto:yca-bateaz@gmail.com).

Our next meeting will be June 13, 2017 at

the VFW post.

Motorcycle Riders Foundation Awareness & Education Inc. is looking for a new treasurer.

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### Yuma Chapter

NO REPORT

## NCOM and more...



Hello friends, welcome back. Eric is apparently improving and we are all happy about that.

As you all know, we recently had our annual Motorcycle Day at the Dome. It was fun. We got to see some of our favorite politicians. A number of cities created proclamations for Motorcycle Awareness Month. Jerry Weiers, the mayor of Glendale, read his city's proclamation first. A while later Kate Gallego, a Phoenix councilwoman and candidate for mayor, read the one from her city. Karen Fann read the legislature's proclamation on the floor of the Senate. All in all, it was a good day. The only issue was the thousands of teachers at the capitol protesting. There are an estimated 75,000 teachers in Arizona. At some point over the two weeks of protests, nearly every one of them showed up at the dome. The first day, the estimate was more than 50,000. There are more than 200,000 registered motorcycles in Arizona. There are things we, as a community, want and need in legislation. Even accounting for the people who own more than one bike, there must be at least 150,000 bikers in this state. Imagine what we could get done if we acted like teachers.

I just got back from the 33rd NCOM convention in Mobile, Alabama. There were many topics discussed. First, the Waco tragedy has evolved. Three arrestees were indicted for murder. It is to be seen how these cases will turn out. Nearly 30 were charged with rioting. In Texas this is a class B misdemeanor. The problem is that, if the riot results in a death, the sentencing range can be from 5 to 99 years. This looks like a last-ditch effort to evade lawsuits by McLennan County. An attorney from Texas said that the grand jury indictments would vitiate the civil lawsuits being filed by all the people who were wrongfully arrested and charged.

Vitiate means to impair the legal validity. On the bright side, the prosecutor who initiated this cluster-fuck, Abel Reyna, lost his primary election and will be gone after January 2019. The down side is that the 177 people arrested still have damaged and destroyed lives. There are a number of Christian biker groups working to help with life issues and to raise money for living expenses of the families who have been damaged.

The next thing of importance is autonomous vehicles. These are still a topic of concern. As we know, a woman pushing a bicycle was killed by an Uber vehicle in self-driving mode in Tempe. It struck me that the silhouette of the woman and bicycle was similar to a motorcyclist. The Uber was a Volvo and using Volvo's crash avoidance systems. There have been statements that the crash avoidance radar was turned off in that car because it was interfering with the Uber system. Another source told me that the system Uber is using was brought by technicians who have left the company and Uber has no one who can make the system work. A report said that Uber cars are averaging 13 miles between operator override events. That is when the operator moves the steering wheel or hits the brake to regain manual control of the car. Waymo, by comparison, has been averaging 5600 miles between operator override events. Uber was lured to Arizona when our Governor offered them less regulation and reporting requirements. California was requiring regular reports on the issues the cars encountered. Thank you, Governor, for making our roads less safe in the interest of loosening regulations. The woman who was killed had a sister who settled with Uber before the police were finished writing their reports. The woman also had a mother and brother who stepped forward and are not letting Uber off the hook so easy. The truth will

come out. Did Uber steal their technology? Did our governor allow a company to endanger our citizens for the sake of deregulation? These questions and more will be answered in the coming months. Stay tuned.

The end of May brings with it the filing of nominating petitions for those running for elective office. By June 15, we will know who is running for what office officially. There are 35 U.S. Senate seats up for election. There are 435 congressional seats open. All of the Arizona Senate and House seats are up for grabs. There will also be an election for Governor. The Mayor of Phoenix will have to resign by the end of May if he is serious about running for the CD 9 seat being vacated by Kyrsten Sinema who is running for the United States Senate seat being vacated by Jeff Flake. Kate Gallego will run for mayor of Phoenix. The Arizona Motorcycle Riders Political Action Committee along with ABATE will be sending out questionnaires to ABATE members for priorities in our legislative efforts. We will then send out questions to the various candidates to determine who is friendly to our cause. While it is good to give individual contributions to candidates, large donations from a political action committee make a bigger impression. You may scoff at the idea of large contributions, but it is simply a matter of bundling our resources to make a bigger statement. We are not buying a legislator, we are supporting those who support us in a bigger way than an individual is able. Everyone gets a voice in what our agenda is and we all contribute to our success.

The state legislature has finished for the year and whatever damage they have done will be evident by the end of the summer. At the federal level, I expect the Congress to do absolutely nothing before the election which is common for them.

They make \$174,000 a year. They work less than 100 days and claim they are underpaid. They have yet to create an actual budget. They have only crafted short-term spending bills. The recent tax cut bill sent the deficit back above \$1 trillion and the Congressional Budget Office expects the trend to continue well into the future. Our state promised more than \$700 million in increased funding for teacher raises with no specific funding source. Something has to give. Arizona cannot legally go into debt. This means that other parts of the government will have to give up funds. I expect our motorcycle safety fund may be swept into the highway users fund. Our governor and legislature have never paid attention to the legality of moving funds from one place to another as fit their whims. The federal government, on the other hand, can just print money. If you haven't noticed, the price of everything has been rising for a while. With more money in circulation, its value drops. Gasoline is expected to cost more than \$3.00 a gallon this summer.

Finally, there will be a number of candidate meet and greet events from now until election day. I urge everyone to attend some events. Get to know your elected officials and candidates for office. Learn about them. Take pictures with them and publish the pictures on social media and in this publication. They love to see their pictures in newspapers and read their names in articles. This will give you more access to them in their office when issues require their attention. Politics is not a spectator sport. Don't sit on your couch screaming at a television. Go to political events and scream at the lawmakers who need to be called out on their bullshit or inaction. While your lobbyists and active members do a lot of work, you can make a big difference. Get up, get involved, get results. Until next



# Coast to Coast

**NCOM BIKER NEWSBYTES**  
*Compiled & Edited by Bill Bish,*  
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**NCOM CONVENTION MOBILIZES BIKERS RIGHTS ACTIVISTS IN MOBILE**

The National Coalition of Motorcyclists was founded over three decades ago during the turbulent formation of the bikers' rights movement to foster unity among diverse segments of the motorcycling community in order to advance a more cohesive political agenda. Unity and cooperation were the buzzwords at this year's 33rd annual NCOM Convention in Mobile, Alabama as hundreds of representatives from Motorcyclists Rights Organizations (MROs), clubs and associations from across the country came to listen, learn and share information on a variety of issues important to today's riders.

"While not the largest attendance at an NCOM Convention, those who were there had a good time and the Convention was a success," notes Convention Committee Chairman David "Animal" Reid, who says "Attendees at the various seminars and presentations were attentive, asked pertinent questions and left with current information on a wide range of subjects and issues."

Among the many meetings, seminars and

breakout sessions conducted throughout Mother's Day Weekend, May 10-13, 2018 at the Renaissance – Riverview Plaza Hotel, were seminars on civil rights, profiling, RICO, veterans affairs, motorcycle insurance, and featured a Mock Legislative Session presented by the NCOM Legislative Task Force. "The Mock Committee Hearing went over very well," says NCOM-LTF Chairman Frank Ernst, adding that "Those in attendance gave our committee much positive feedback and they appreciated the information provided by the LTF," including a new "Biker's Guide to Making Law" free informational brochure on how to impact the legislative process.

Spreading some good news finally, after more than three years in litigation, A.I.M. Attorney Bill Smith of Texas gave an update on the deadly Waco shootings and reported that most of the nearly two hundred bikers arrested and charged under RICO with murder have now had their cases dismissed, including longtime bikers rights activist Paul Landers, former NCOM-LTF Chairman who had to resign due to the miscarriage of justice that cost many innocent Freedom Fighters their jobs, homes, relationships and even children taken from them.

During the Silver Spoke Awards Banquet on Saturday evening, several honorees were recognized for their contributions to "Improving The Image of Motorcycling", including; GOVERNMENT: New

Hampshire State Rep. Charlie St. Clair, Executive Director of Laconia Motorcycle Week; MEDIA: Vernon & Melanie Schwarte of Thunder Roads Magazine - Iowa; LEGAL: Michael DeKruif, AIM Attorney—California; ENTERTAINMENT: Stunt Rider Bubba Blackwell; and NCOM's highest honor, the Ron Roloff Lifetime Achievement Award, was presented to Charlie Boone of CBA/ABATE of North Carolina, member of the NCOM Board of Directors.

Next year's 34th Annual NCOM Convention will be held May 9-12, 2019 at the DoubleTree by Hilton in Orlando, Florida. For further information, contact NCOM at (800) ON-A-BIKE or visit [www.ON-A-BIKE.com](http://www.ON-A-BIKE.com).

**TWIN PEAKS CASES UNRAVEL**

Three years ago on May 17, 2015, the bodies of nine dead bikers lay in the parking lot of the Twin Peaks restaurant in the infamous Waco shootout as the District Attorney had police round up and arrest everyone there to attend a Confederation of Clubs meeting.

Many of the nearly two hundred bikers arrested that night would spend the next several weeks jailed on million-dollar bonds. It was a risky legal strategy, one that had never been tried on this scale: Throw a wide net around a complicated crime scene and charge everybody involved with engaging in organized

criminal activity.

Now, with the 3rd anniversary of the cases upon us, the failure of that audacious strategy has become clear as prosecutors dismiss most of the cases, the district attorney lost re-election by a landslide, and 130 bikers line up to sue over civil rights violations. The only case that has gone to trial ended in a hung jury and mistrial in November.

"In the last three years, the 192 bikers arrested in the Twin Peaks shootout have lived under a cloud," reports the Waco Tribune. "Some have languished in jail, lost jobs, lost vehicles or lost spouses. In some cases, ex-wives used their arrests to seek modifications in child custody or visitation orders. Most were under strict bond conditions that restricted their travel and freedom to associate with their friends."

The Twin Peaks debacle may also have ended a promising political career for D.A. Abel Reyna, who suffered an overwhelming defeat in the March primary in which his opponent accused him of corruption and prosecutorial overreach. Since the electoral loss, Reyna's office has dismissed 124 cases en masse, and has re-indicted 24 remaining defendants on a variety of charges including riot,

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MAP is available to be presented to civic organizations as well as most businesses that hold safety meetings. FMI: [map@abateofaz.org](mailto:map@abateofaz.org)

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## Coast to Coast (continued)

murder and tampering with evidence, superseding the original organized crime charges.

"Meanwhile, the raft of civil lawsuits stemming from the Twin Peaks cases leaves the city and county in potential financial jeopardy," according to the Waco newspaper, noting that the massive volume of cases had put a severe strain on court operations and on county resources already.

### CALIFORNIA MOTORCYCLE CLUB CLAIMS PROFILING AND POLICE HARASSMENT

A video posted recently on YouTube shows members of the Jus Brothers Motorcycle Club "doing nothing wrong" when a Sonora, CA police sergeant started harassing them and photographed the license plates on their parked motorcycles. "They say police unlawfully profiled the club members as a motorcycle gang," reported the Modesto Bee newspaper.

Jus Brothers members from its Mother Lode and Stanislaus County chapters were waiting for a club event to begin at the nearby Intake Grill restaurant and sports bar, a monthly meeting geared toward sharing information about motorcycle legislation and is open to the public.

"We get this kind of hassle from Sonora PD all the time," a member told The Bee. "I think they're just trying to keep us out of downtown. They come around taking pictures of our bikes, nitpicking to see what they can find."

Club members in the video ([www.youtube.com/watch?v=pZN4fDjL17M](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pZN4fDjL17M)) tell the sergeant that they plan on posting the video online with the department's phone number, so callers can tell officials what they think of it: "That way America can see what it's like to live in a police state!"

Another Jus Brothers member in the video asks the sergeant if police will do the same to the other vehicles parked along the street, and the sergeant seems to indicate they're only doing this to "out-law motorcycle gangs."

The Sonora Police Department has responded to the allegations of profiling local bikers; "The police sergeant in the video was simply engaging in intelligence gathering on a public street," according to the official police news release.

In the video, the Jus Brothers members tell the police sergeant about Assembly Bill 2972, a bill to prohibit peace officers from engaging in "motorcycle profiling." If passed, police would not be allowed to consider a person riding a motorcycle or wearing motorcycle or motorcycle club-related clothing as a factor in enforcement decisions.

### MOTORCYCLE CLUB RETALIATES WITH CYBER ATTACK

Management at Marion Hotel in Winnipeg, Manitoba received a harsh dose of virtual reality as they suffered the wrath of the Manitoba Nomads, a chapter of the Hells Angels Motorcycle Club.

According to a news posting on [www.rideapart.com](http://www.rideapart.com), "It all started when members of the Nomads were refused access to the hotel for sporting their colors." Unwilling to let the offense go unpunished, the chapter President invited his people to boycott the establishment. The members joined forces and on March 27 targeted their Facebook page by submitting a tsunami of one-star reviews. This lowered the hotel's otherwise respectable rating of 4.5 to a mediocre 3 overnight, forcing the hotel to take down its page.

"Hell hath no fury like a biker gang scorned, and the gang proceeded to do the same with the hotel restaurant's page," even turning to the Marion Street Eatery's TripAdvisor page.

Previously, the club expressed disagreement with what they considered discrimination against bikers by targeting Headingley Sport Ltd./Indian Motorcycle Winnipeg for forbidding colors from a riding event. "Once the shop withdrew from the event, the perpetrators were asked to modify their ratings, which they did."

### A ROAD TO ZERO MOTORCYCLES

A recently released National Safety Council report entitled "A Road to Zero" is the federal government's vision for achieving zero roadway deaths by 2050, but it fails to identify any significant procedures to reduce motorcycle fatalities except for helmet laws and hi-tech.

Despite input from motorcycle organizations, the NSC relies heavily on automotive technologies such as driver assistance systems and autonomous vehicles to pave the way to a safer future, ignoring such rider safety issues as motorcycle awareness, rider training, impairment, distracted driving and proactive measures to prevent car-versus-motorcycle collisions.

The report also endorses using insurance to price some high risk operators and vehicles off the road, opening the door to allow insurance companies to effectively achieve zero motorcycles.

### ZERO EMISSIONS, ZERO DEATHS, ZERO TOLERANCE

Bandit and his Bikernet Crew at [www.Bikernet.com](http://www.Bikernet.com) posted on their blog about a California Air Resources Board meeting regarding new rule making for motorcycles. Every manufacturer of motorcycles was there, as CARB talked about embracing all aspects of the market before making their recommendations in 2020...that's the good news.

"They discussed anti-tampering, competition with the EU and Zero emissions," writes Bandit. "They talked about moving California to zero emissions by rebates on electric bikes, and they want California riders to be riding 5 million electric bikes by 2025 by executive order from the nice California Governor."

Bandit et al go on to state their case:

"Two points: One is that word Zero again. They use that word in two other regulatory segments, Zero deaths on the highways and Zero tolerance when it comes to drunk driving or drugs. Zero sounds good from one side of the coin, but the other is ultimate control or Zero Freedom.

The other point I hope to make is that motorcycles represent such a small number in the emissions mix we should be left alone. One of the administrators mentioned two areas of emissions they walked away from and I hope to help

make motorcycles a third or at least the aftermarket motorcycle industry."

### MILLENNIALS' STUDENT LOAN DEBT HURTS MOTORCYCLE INDUSTRY

Student loan debt has been hindering millennials for years; now it's causing harm to the motorcycle industry, according to MarketWatch.com, which further states the motorcycle industry has been increasingly struggling due to millennials' disinterest in purchasing motorcycles in light of financial burdens.

Young millennials and Gen-Z/Millennials, born between 1990 and 2003 respectively, are two-thirds as likely to be interested in motorcycles as baby boomers during their pre-family stage, Bernstein financial advisers say. Yet, even an interest in motorcycles may not be enough to keep the industry alive, as "The average millennial has almost twice as much student debt today during their 'pre-family' life stage as did the average Gen Xer," according to Bernstein analyst David Beckel. "That may not sound like a large enough increase in debt to sway one from buying a motorcycle," Beckel said. "But for the individual 20 million millennials with student debt, the difference between \$15,000 and \$26,000 of student debt is \$130/month, which is the equivalent to a monthly loan payment on an \$8,000 bike."

In 1990, 50% of college undergraduates had taken out student loans with an average borrowing of \$15,000. By 2012, up to 70% of undergraduates had taken out student loans with an average borrowing of \$25,000.

The typical new motorcycle will cost around the same as today's average student loan debt, which makes it difficult for young millennials to purchase cars let alone a motorcycle.

Bernstein analysts additionally theorized that rebellion, the characteristic often attributed to motorcycle culture, doesn't appeal to debt-burdened millennials like it used to appeal to older generations, who are aging out as the lead target audience.

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FMI contact Joe Ferrucci at 480-295-9488

### High Country Chapter

High Country Chapter meetings are held on the 3rd Saturday of the month at 10 a.m. at The Moose Lodge in Star Valley. Contact: chicknbone@live.com or 928-970-1134

### Phoenix / Shadow Mountain Chapter

Phoenix/Shadow Mountain meetings are held on the 2nd Sunday of each month at 10:30am at the AZ American Italian Club, 7509 N. 12th Street, Phoenix, AZ 85020. FMI: Chapter Coordinator Mike Schneider, 602-549-1044, [mike@squarepegpromos.com](mailto:mike@squarepegpromos.com)

### Southern Arizona Chapter

The Southern Arizona Chapter will meet the third Saturday of the month. We will gather at the Kettle Restaurant meeting room. 748 W Starr Pass Blvd., Tucson, AZ 85713. Meeting time is 10AM October through March and 9AM April through September. FMI contact Jim Butsbach (520)247-3051 or [abateofazsac@yahoo.com](mailto:abateofazsac@yahoo.com)

### Yavapai Chapter

Yavapai Chapter meets the 2nd Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. at the VFW Post 541 in Prescott - 202 N Arizona Ave / 928-776-1125. For more information, please contact Dan Tumey @ 928-308-9911 or [ycabateaz@gmail.com](mailto:ycabateaz@gmail.com). See us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/ycabateaz/>.

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## Bikers Inside the Beltway 2018 (continued)

e meeting with Representative O'Halloran I am less than enthusiastic about. Since he is a former gang task force member, the anti-profiling fell on deaf ears. We did get some verbal support on our position on autonomous vehicles however.

Megan Ekstrom from the MRF joined us in our meeting with Representative Andy Biggs. If you remember Congressman Biggs from his time in the Arizona legislature, he was not the biggest supporter of motorcycles. Deborah, the Congressman's

Chief of Staff and Megan crafted the anti-profiling language together. So, having both of them in the meeting was a huge plus and the Congressman pledged to investigate it more. And I am sure his chief of staff will hold him to it as well. We were invited to attend Representative David Schweikert Open House to close out our day. Meeting with his staff was good and we were able to elaborate on several issues we are concerned with.

In all of my meetings, I attempted to let the Congressional offices know that

ABATE is truly trying to get these issues resolved on a state level but that their support would really help us as well. I let them know of some of our accomplishments this year and what we are trying to do for motorcycle safety and awareness in Arizona. The dialogue that was opened in several of the offices are important.

Thanks to Dale and Stacey for joining us and representing the MRF. Thanks, Will Cleveland from our Southern Arizona chapter for showing up on Tuesday as well. And as you can see, my daughter

Annie pitched in to help on Wednesday's meetings.

Next step folks is to meet with our Representatives in their District!! Let's keep up the communication with them and their staff. I'll share the issues and what staff members oversee that issue in the coming weeks.

Freedom is a team sport.

## 14th Annual Wild In The Weeds in the books for 2018

The 14th Annual Wild in the Weeds motorcycle rally, sponsored by High Country Chapter of ABATE of AZ is in the books and it was a fun time. Despite a slightly smaller turn-out than last year the event was a financial and social success and will allow High Country Chapter to meet its obligations and goals for the rest of the year. This year's event

was held at Punkin Center Bar & Grill in Tonto Basin on rout 188 in Arizona.

As usual, the event started on Friday at noon after months of planning and operation to make sure everything needed for a good and safe time was in place. Plum Crazy provided the live entertainment Friday evening with Curtis Taylor, and

ABATE High Country Chapter member) filling in for the usual drummer (Rob James) who was out of town on business. The group did not disappoint with their usual mix of classic rock, some blues and a bit of funk and country thrown in for good measure. An over abundance of raffle prizes made sure that the odds were definitely in your favor of winning an

winning an awesome prize and several were handed out on Friday.

On Saturday the early risers and new arrivals were treated to a delicious breakfast buffet provided by Punkin Center

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## Events Calendar

### May 2018

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5/26 and 5/28 Hydration and Motorcycle Awareness Booth @ Sunset Point Rest Stop, <https://www.facebook.com/events/946709842183682/>

6/2 Meet and Greet Your Elected Officials in Mayer <https://www.face->

[book.com/events/365615037271320/](http://book.com/events/365615037271320/), 11 AM - 1 PM, Grand Canyon Harley-Davidson Shop, Mayer, AZ, 10434 S State Route 69, Mayer, Arizona

Too Broke for Sturgis, June 7 – June 10, Mormon Lake Lodge, 1 MAIN St, Mormon Lake, Arizona 86038

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5/12 {Sat} Law Tigers 3rd annual Arizona Mile Flat Track Racing at Turf Paradise. FMI: [www.lawtigers.com](http://www.lawtigers.com) | [www.facebook.com/arizonamile](https://www.facebook.com/arizonamile)

5/12 3rd Annual Lost Dutchman MC Queen Creek Six Shooter Poker Run. \$10/pp. Sign in at Superstition H-D {2910 W. Apache Trail Apache Junction, 85120} 10am to Noon. End party at the LDMC Queen Creek Clubhouse starts at 4pm. Live music, door prizes, 50/50 raffle, high hand winner, Independents Welcome. FMI: [receptionist@superstitionhd.com](mailto:receptionist@superstitionhd.com) | [mwarren0717@gmail.com](mailto:mwarren0717@gmail.com)

5/13 {Sun} 11-Mile Corner Swap Meet. All parts & all brands welcome. Opens 8am. Pinal County Fairgrounds, 512 N 11-Mile Corner Rd {exit 194 from I-10}. \$5/pp, children under 12 free. Seller spaces 10x15=\$30; bike corral \$5. Setup 6am. FMI: 480-209-8521

## 14th Annual Wild In The Weeds (continued)

Bar & Grill by Harley and her team. After breakfast was a chance to hangout and chat with old and new friends while playing horse shoes, a giant Jenga game, or just relaxing until the People and Bike games began around 11 am.

The people games consisted of the favorites, Tire toss for men and women, Plank Walk, Helmet Toss, Pole in the Hole, and Honey I'm Home. Then came the Bike Games. Ride the Plank, Slow Race, and the 2-up competitions of Joust, Road Kill, Weenie Bite and Balloon Toss. The weather was perfect with warm temperatures gently subdued by a nearly perfect breeze. That meant that the weather was also perfect for the final event which was the wet t-shirt contest. The winner of

that event went home with a cool \$250.

Royce Kincanon (Mr. Music) was the event DJ and Master of Ceremonies on Saturday and Motorcycle Safari once again sponsored the FREE Photo Booth that is always a big hit. This year they were set-up so that you could also get photos of yourself on your bike as well as the usual costumes and general group fun.

The last two events were the drawing of the 50/50 prize (\$247 to the winner and the same to the chapter) and the \$500 cash prize raffle which was one by a tourist visiting from Minnesota who gladly received the cash the next evening, presented, oddly enough, by last year's

Cash Raffle winners!

After those festivities were over, Mad Mario led Frozen Fire through their paces as the live entertainment for the rest of the evening and the dancing and drinking and general festival like atmosphere continued until about midnight.

Sunday morning was another breakfast buffet as the rally goers were packing up to head home.

High Country Chapter of ABATE of AZ wants to sincerely thank everyone who attended or supported us with donations and sponsorship and hope to see everyone return (bring your friends) next year for an even bigger 3 day party.



## NCOM Recap, Mobile, Alabama

First of all, a huge thank you to Dixie ABATE and the Alabama COC for hosting this year's NCOM Conference and to Richard Lester for his vision for this. Three days with breakout sessions and an overload of great information left me tired. I will breakdown my notes from the sessions and share them as I get them done.

I attended the AIM Attorney Conference which included discussions and updates on:

Freedom of the road and the use of the courts presented by Richard Lester. Update on the Waco Twin Peaks tragedy by Texas attorney Bill Smith. I was shocked to learn that because of a 5th Circuit decision that if an indictment is handed down an individual cannot argue that it was a false arrest. This applies even if evidence was fabricated. There are several civil rights cases linked to Waco that have been filed in Austin. A large amount of those arrested had their cases dismissed only to have a "rioting"

charge entered. This was done because under Texas law, a "rioting" conviction can carry the same penalty as murder with a lower burden of proof. This makes me glad we live in Arizona.

RICO and its effect on your organization. All three were very informative. There are a few SCOTUS decisions I will share in the coming months that effect motorcyclists and our freedoms.


I also attended the NCOM Legislative Task Force meeting which gave updates on legislation that has been successfully passed around the country.

NCOM invited Michael Michelotti from the Disabled Veterans of America organization to speak about "Your rights as a veteran". One of the statistics that I found shocking was from a national survey done a few years ago that said 47% of motorcyclists are veterans. It was encouraged that all COC and SMRO develop a veteran biker focus in addition to the general motorcyclist legislation.

Slider Gilmore presented "What successful people do". This wasn't anything new but just a reminder to stay positive and set goals. It was a great presentation. Friday evening ended with a nationwide COC meeting. It was really amazing to see so many clubs from around the country in one room with one focus – FREEDOM.

I did have the opportunity to have lunch and speak with Doc Reichenbach (NCOM Chairman of the Board of Directors, State President and Lobbyist for ABATE of Florida). Thanks Doc for the conversation and tips.

The ability to speak to so many from around the country was awesome. I even was able to sit down and relax with Johnny D and discuss so many things. With the schedule we both have had this year, it was a good brainstorming session. Next? Washington DC for Bikers inside the beltway and meetings with our Arizona Congressional Offices.



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# WILD IN THE WEEDS



# BILKERS INSIDE THE BELTWAY



## Somebody stop me!

Jim Silk

I asked a few EV Abate members these question on a ride one time. I got a good response from Dawn and Nolan Steed, Bob Gumfry,,Joe Silk, and Mary K.

- Have you ever felt anxiety about “what if that car pulls out in front of me?”
- Have you ever made a braking mistake or hit a slick spot, putting you into a skid?
- And have you ever worried that if something goes wrong in front of you (like the car brakes hard or even rear ends the car in front of them), that you may not get stopped in time?

Yuuup .... Me, too!

In fact, thousands of riders have had those experiences. The data show us that braking problems are common in motorcycle crashes. Regardless of whose fault a situation might have been (a car driver’s fault, the rider’s fault, both, or neither), the ability to get your bike stopped quickly—or even slowed down quickly—is critical to avoiding crashes (or turning a major crash into a minor crash.)

Unfortunately, maximum braking is a skill that many of us haven’t been taught and don’t use very often. And for those riders that have been taught, it is common for us to make mistakes in “the moment of truth.”

Too many crashes, injuries, and fatalities happen at least in part as a result of braking problems. I believe many of these crashes are preventable with good braking skills (and good execution in “the moment of truth”). Every crash prevented makes life better for riders, for their families and loved ones and those ya wanna love, and for the all Abate members as a whole.

I will show you some common braking problems

- Clarify good maximum braking technique
- Explain how to handle rear and front wheel skids
- Provide tips on how and why to practice maximum braking
- Discuss the benefits (and limitations) of taking a professional riding skills class such as the one here at Desert Wind HD and also Team Arizona.
- Reveal 2 bonus elements to drastically improve your ability to stop your motorcycle quickly

I make this common error and need to stop

1. Rear brake only – skidding all the way to a stop (or sometimes, as Joe Silk says, “all the way to the crash”). This is common and I believe there are a number of factors that lead to this. Among them are:

Car driving habits. Driving a car trains us to automatically press the pedal with our right foot and just press it harder if we want to stop faster.

Panic. When we are startled, tense, or scared, we tend to use more physical force and our ability to think clearly and rationally is greatly reduced.

Motorcycle habits. Many riders have developed that habit of only using the rear brake when coming to gradual stops. If there is no need to stop quickly, the rear brake will do the job. The problem with this is that in an emergency, we tend to do what we normally do.

Consequences of rear brake only and skidding

Looooong stopping distances. Nolan Steed told me This one is pretty self-explanatory.

Committed to a straight-line path. With the rear wheel skidding, you can no longer change your direction. If you were headed toward a guardrail when you locked up the rear wheel, you’ll continue toward that guardrail as you skid.

Risk of a high-side crash. If the rear wheel fishtails and gets out of alignment with the front and then the skid is released, there is a real risk of the bike straightening abruptly, enough to toss the rider off the bike.

2. Rear brake only – no skid. As above, habits (both car and motorcycle) can lead

to using the rear brake only. Consequence of rear brake only - Looooong stopping distances.

3. Using both brakes, but soft on the front brake. This is also pretty common, and I believe that this is very often related to a fear of the front brake. Bob Gumfry told me there are two aspects to this fear – one is the myth “if you use the front brake, you’ll go over the handlebars!” and the other is a very real and reasonable fear of a front wheel skid (that’s next...). Consequences of using both brakes, but soft on the front brake - Stopping distances are much better (shorter) than rear brake only, but not nearly as good as with full application of the front brake.

4. Front wheel skid. Dawn Steed explained to me this is something we all have some anxiety about, and for good reason. In her experience, the primary cause of a front wheel skid is applying the front brake too fast (“grabbing” the brake lever). This is often associated with a panic situation.

Consequence of a front wheel skid - Crashing. There are a few stunt riders out there who can maintain a front wheel skid for an extended period (which is very impressive!). However, for the rest of us, front wheel skids (if not handled correctly and quickly) will almost certainly result in a crash. As soon as the front wheel locks up, steering control is lost and the

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## Somebody stop me! (continued)

locks up, steering control is lost and the fall generally follows quickly.

Its all about a good technique

The basics of maximum braking are to apply both brakes fully without locking (skidding) either tire. Sounds simple enough in theory, but it does take some work to get it right in practice. Mary K Donnay said here is a little more detail for front and rear brake application.

Front brake - Squeeze the front brake lever:

Smoothly and firmly. Don't grab, but don't be shy, either

With increasing pressure. Since the weight shifts forward as you brake and presses more weight onto the front tire, you have increasing available traction.

Take advantage of this by smoothly and quickly increasing the amount of your squeeze.

Rear brake

Apply the rear brake with light to lighter pressure. As stated above, the weight is shifting to the front, so the rear is getting lighter. This means there is a decreasing amount of traction available at the rear tire. To avoid a rear wheel skid, decrease the amount of pressure you are applying to the rear brake.

Handling your skid marks

No one wants to skid in an emergency situation (if think you do, re-read the above section on the consequences of skids!). The bottom line is that skidding gives up control. That may sound extreme, but bear with me and I'll share my reasoning.

Here is my definition of motorcycle control: "The ability to control and change the speed and/or direction of your motorcycle." A skidding tire (front or rear) takes away your ability to control direction and severely limits your ability to control speed. Because of this, you no longer have control of your motorcycle. To regain this control, here is how to respond to skids:

Front wheel skid - Immediately release and reapply

Get off the front brake as soon as you can to allow the when to roll again. Once the front wheel is rolling, you have regained steering control.

Now, whatever was there that caused you to get on the brakes in the first place is very likely still there, so get back on the front brake right away (more smooth-

ly this time) so you can get slowed or stopped.

Rear wheel skid - Immediately release and reapply (yes, the same technique)

Get off the rear brake as soon as you can to allow the rear wheel to roll again. It is important to get off the rear brake before the rear of the bike has a chance to fishtail out of alignment. This quick response addresses the risk of a high-side crash mentioned above.

Get out and practice this braking tips as often as you can. I can stop and so can you.

Jim Silk

State Safety Officer and MAP program Abate of Arizona

## Legislative Scorecard

Mike Infanzon

ABATE of AZ Designated Lobbyist

Often used in sports and business, scorecards note the improvement or lack thereof of a player, team or institution.

Similarly, in politics, scorecards provide

information on the status or progress of politicians and/or policy issues. They are aggregated on ABATE of Arizona profiles to help provide context for readers on an official's term in office, a policy or an incumbent's voting record.

ABATE of Arizona is in the process of

developing an encyclopedic list of published scorecards and voter's guides. Scorecards: records used to measure achievement or progress. The scorecard is for elected officials.

Voter guides: the term "voter guides" generally refers to pamphlets published

and distributed by ABATE just prior to an election. We will be publishing a voter's guide after the primary in August. The voter's guide includes all candidates for the election cycle.

Keep an eye out for the 2018 Legislative Scorecard

## The Millennial Question

Reprinted from <http://blog.bikernet.com>

Kids Want Freedom Like the Rest of Us

If anything happens in USA, which is different from what happened 20 years ago, every genius investigative journalist, social media user and idiot will tell you the Millennials did it. Millennials are out and about trying to destroy America. They'll tear up the original document of the American Constitution and piss on the graves of the Founding Fathers.

Since 2008 recession, every company in USA faced difficulties. Every average citizen faced difficulties. Giant companies such as a few Banks, a few IT companies, a few chain retailers however still continued business as usual. Guess what, Millennials did not commit those financial and banking frauds, and Millennials did not buy those home loans that rendered thousands of Americans homeless when the shit and high interest rates hit the fan.

There are reduced opportunities for most folks. This means that parents at times

can't afford to send their Millennial kids to colleges they deserve to go to. Even with a college degree, there are fewer jobs available to these Millennials. Even with small jobs, these Millennials are forced to continue living with their parents because real estate prices are forever rising despite the economy being poorer than it was 20 years ago.

Regarding MOTORCYCLES - there is no death of motorcycles in USA. Millennials are not killing motorcycle industry. It is only the American Motorcycles and American Cars that are dying because they are outdated, not competitive in technology, and just a total bad deal that a modern human won't get conned into.

European Motorcycles and Cars and Japanese Motorcycles and Cars are steadily selling more and more units to Americans. If you get a motorcycle or car which is always reliable, latest technology, more features, no stress on maintenance and no wallet-draining expenses after purchase for one third the price of a Harley-Davidson or Indian Motorcycle, why would any sentient human on planet

Earth buy a Harley Davidson or Indian Motorcycle or a Ford car?

Even Indian company such as Enfield is setting up new dealerships in USA and a factory in Brazil to cater to new generation American motorcycle lovers called Millennials. Are they insane? Don't they read the American Motorcycle Magazines, which say everyday that no one below 50 years old is buying a motorcycle in America anymore? New Ducati models, new Triumph Tiger models, new Honda designs, new Yamaha, etc are all deaf and dumb and don't know that Millennials are not buying motorcycles?

The theory of evolution suggests that it is not the biggest who survive, it is not the strongest who survive, it is not even the most intelligent who survive. The survivors are those who can adapt and change to new environment, to the new market, to the new competition, to the new business models. Maybe growing up you thought John Wayne and Marlon Brando were awesome and everything they did was awesome. Well maybe your

kids disagreed and said Sylvester Stallone and Van Damme were better and more awesome.

The current young ones like people you have never heard of and movies you can't understand like the latest Avengers Infinity War, which made One Billion Dollars in just 11 days since release breaking all records known to cinema industry.

If millennials can't afford a brand new car, a good alternative is indeed a trusty motorcycle such as a Honda or a Triumph. Petrol and Diesel isn't going anywhere for another 30 years. Electronic vehicles are not any cheaper nor more practical than a petrol vehicle.

And why the hell is there so much craze for Polaris Slingshot and CanAm Spyder if Millennials are not interested in motorsports? I had posted a photo of Millennial celebrity Miley Cyrus riding a Spyder in Hollywood in my article on CanAm Spyder in BikernetTrikes.com last year.

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# Daytona Beach News Journal Falsely Reports Bikers Kill Children

Reprinted from motorcycleprofilingproject.com/

The Daytona Beach News Journal (News Journal) is disrespectfully using the anniversary of a biker's murder as an opportunity to promote a discriminatory and highly inaccurate stereotype about motorcycle clubs, even going so far as quoting an investigator from Wisconsin saying that motorcycle club members have a history of killing children.

The National Council of Clubs, a movement representing the political, legal, and legislative interests of motorcycle clubs nationwide, is outraged that any media source would desecrate the memory of a man that lost his life prematurely by irresponsibly propagating fear and false narratives about tens of thousands of individuals that belong to motorcycle clubs. The Story as Published in the Daytona Beach News Journal

Outlaw MC member Louie Da' Lip was murdered in Daytona Beach on April 2, 2017.

The News Journal released an article on April 2, 2018 titled, "1 year later, murder of Daytona Outlaws biker 'Louie da Lip'

remains unsolved." But instead of merely reporting on the facts of Louie's murder, the News Journal used the 1 year anniversary of this incident to spread fear and sensationalized falsehoods regarding motorcycle club culture. The News Journal reports:

"Members of biker gangs have committed murder, rape and other violent crimes and they have a history of degrading women and even killing children, said Charles Berard, a criminal investigator from Wisconsin who has studied biker gangs for more than three decades." The Truth

The above quote is so highly inaccurate and offensive that it's printing alone should disqualify Mr. Berard and the News Journal's credibility. To imply that motorcycle clubs have a history of killing children is as far from the truth as possible. There is a fundamental and foundational principle among members of motorcycle club culture that crimes against children are absolutely not tolerated.

Basic research by the News Journal would have revealed that even qualified law enforcement experts recently testify-

ing in trials in Waco and San Antonio recognize that motorcycle clubs will not allow members that have committed crimes against children and that committing a crime against a child is grounds for expulsion from the club. Indeed, there are dozens of motorcycle clubs such as Bikers Against Child Abuse (BACA) that are dedicated to the mission of protecting children.

On the other hand, law enforcement officers do truly have a long and irrefutable history relating to crimes against children and women. The Associated Press recently reported 1,000 cases of sex crimes committed by police, including sex crimes against children. The State of Florida is not exempt. Consider the recent conviction of a Florida cop for statutory rape while on duty. And in terms of law enforcement killing children, there is simply not enough time or space to discuss even the most recent incidents that have happened coast to coast, including Florida.

Motorcycle club members, by comparison, have far less propensity to commit felony crimes. Have some members of motorcycle clubs been convicted of felony crimes? Most certainly. But, just as

the egregious acts of some police officers do not define the whole, the vast majority of motorcycle club members, including 1%'ERS, do not have criminal records. The sensationalized hype is simply not true.

What do the available statistics reveal? The 2017 National Motorcycle Profiling Survey, with only a 1.4% margin of error, demonstrates that less than 2% of club members in Florida have been convicted of a felony crime. Conclusions

The News Journal should be admonished for irresponsible and one-sided tabloid reporting. Louie Da' Lip's memory should be respected with dignity. His murder should not be, must not be, used for the purpose of spreading fear and sensationalism. This fear is, in-turn, being used to justify the current epidemic of profiling and discrimination targeting motorcycle clubs, particularly in Daytona Beach.

Professional ethics would dictate that the News Journal cease taking an active role in law enforcement's campaign of discrimination and begin to responsibly report balanced and researched journalism relating to motorcycle clubs.

# Charges Against Key Motorcycle Rights Activist Dismissed in Waco

Reprinted from motorcycleprofilingproject.com/

As the McLennan County District Attorney's Twin Peaks debacle continues to crumble, an important and previously prolific motorcycle rights activist has emerged from the dust. Thomas Paul Landers, along with most of those arrested in May 17, 2015, has had all charges against him related to the Twin Peaks tragedy recently dismissed. Paul, although very relieved, is still angry about the continued prosecution of innocent people also arrested and jailed that day that continue to face the prospect of life in prison for being ambushed at a political gathering.

Mass Arrests at a Political Gathering

On May 17th, 2015 I arrived home after a 350 mile ride following a club event in Oregon, to my son telling me to watch

CNN because they were reporting a shooting at a biker event in Texas. I began watching the news coverage and immediately called my friend Paul Landers when I realized it was a COC meeting. Paul is a prominent motorcycle rights activist and always attended COC events in Texas, so I immediately began worrying about him.

Paul answered the phone from the parking lot of the Twin Peaks. I asked him if he was alright. He said he wasn't injured but didn't know what was going to happen. We hung up, and the rest of the story has been a 3 year nightmare for Paul and nearly 200 others arrested, jailed, and held on \$1-\$2 million dollar punitive bonds. Paul's nightmare ended Monday, May 14th, 2018 when his charges were dismissed by the McLennan County District Attorney. In fact, most of the charges have been dropped against most individuals.

But, unfortunately, the nightmare is not over for 24 individuals re-indicted and charged with rioting, three of them also charged with murder. And because a murder occurred, the sentence can be enhanced to the same level of life in prison.

The Persecution Continues for Many

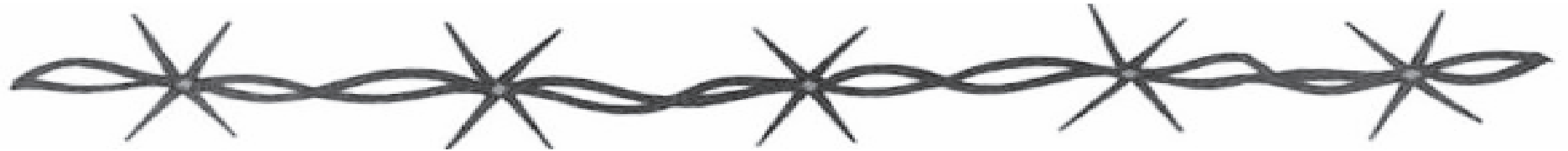
The McLennan County DA's office refuses to let go, has shifted from organized crime to rioting, and persists in charging individuals that irrefutably "retired" from any conflict and still others acting in self defense of themselves or others.

Take the examples of Marshall Mitchell and Jacob Carrizal, both obviously not guilty for different reasons. Marshall Mitchell never engages in any conflict, can be seen shaking a Cossacks hand on video, and quickly "retired" from the area

of the ambush and gunshots, just as most that were able. Jake Carrizal, on the other hand, was unable to retreat from an ambush in which he clearly acted in self defense, as the video, his mistrial, and reports of overwhelming support for not guilty from most jurors demonstrates.

The Good Fight Continues

The fight to free those that are not guilty must not end. In fact, now is the time to further unite the motorcycle club community and continue the fight to protect the right to associate with a motorcycle club without fear of targeted prosecution. And now that the shackles on one of the most important motorcycle rights activists of our time have been removed, we all stand a better chance of succeeding. #FightTheGoodFight.



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## Register to Vote

Mike Infanzon  
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The ability to change the political landscape in an area may seem like a daunting task for many. I take it as a challenge. As a reminder, ABATE is a non-partisan political organization whose main purpose is to:

(a) Promote safety and educational programs and other programs to improve the general image of the motorcycle community.

(b) Preserve and protect the rights of motorcyclists by informing the membership on all relevant regulations and legislation and promote political action campaigns in the best interest of the motorcycle community.

(c) Oppose discrimination that is based upon race, color, creed, religion, national origin, gender, sexual preference, brand of motorcycle ridden, association, membership or non-membership in any club or organization.

Two-thirds of our mission is to fight. One of the ways that a motorcyclist can fight is to vote. It makes an elected official sit up and listen when I can walk into their office and say, "not only do I represent ABATE as a whole, but 49 of our mem-

bers live in YOUR district".

We launched AzMVP (Arizona Motorcycle Voters Project) last year as a way to encourage motorcyclists to vote. We have been helping many to not only register to vote but also get their civil rights restored in order to vote. AzMVP is a 501c3 owned by ABATE of Arizona.

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tration forms.

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## Motorcycle Industry Celebrities Join 10th Annual Buffalo Chip Biker Belles Celebration

Reprinted from <http://blog.bikernet.com>

A number of famous female motorcycle mavens are gathering to celebrate the diversity of women in motorcycling while raising funds for worthy local charities at the 10th annual Biker Belles celebration on Tuesday, Aug. 7, 2018. Among the prominent names scheduled to appear are moto-traveler and journalist Alisa Clickenger, inspirational speaker Leah Misch, 2018 Sturgis Museum Hall of Fame Inductees Valerie Thompson and Marilyn Stemp, Hall of Famer Gloria Struck, Candidate for US House of Representatives and current SD Secretary of State Shantel Krebs, Wild Gypsy Tour organizer and model Kelly Yazdi, "Drag Bike Girl" Elyse McKinnon, and bike builder and racer Savannah Rose. World speed record holders Laura Klock and Karlee Cobb will act as ride captains.

The moto-centric event is an opportunity for those who love motorcycling to connect with women who are shaping the industry, driving change and breaking

long-held traditions.

THE BIKE SHOW AND "THE MORNING RIDE" KICKOFF

All women are invited to enter their bikes in the first Women and Wheels™ Bike Show, presented by the Wild Gypsy Tour, at the Buffalo Chip's CrossRoads. Awards will be presented at the lunch. Ride captains Laura Klock and Karlee Cobb will lead the "The Morning Ride™" from the CrossRoads through the picturesque Black Hills to the Lodge at Deadwood.

"SHIFTING GEARS" AT THE LUNCH

Attendees will enjoy a pampering at the Comfort Zone by Team Diva and a catered lunch at the Lodge at Deadwood. Alisa Clickenger and Leah Misch are among the panelists who have agreed to address the changes women riders are experiencing during a discussion titled "Shifting Gears." Valerie Thompson and Marilyn Stemp will also be presenting updates on their stories and Gloria Struck

will be signing copies of her new book "Gloria – A Lifetime Motorcyclist." Additional special guests Shantel Krebs, Kelly Yazdi, Elyse McKinnon, and Savannah Rose will be available to meet with attendees and share their success stories.

THE CHARITIES

One hundred percent of rider fees will benefit the Sturgis Motorcycle Museum and Hall of Fame and Helping with Horsepower, an organization that empowers and encourages women and girls who are at risk or victims of abuse.

THE EVENT SCHEDULE

Buffalo Chip Free-Access CrossRoads

8:00 a.m. – Women and Wheels™ Bike Show Registration

8:30 a.m. – Biker Belles Registration at the Buffalo Chip's CrossRoads

10:00 a.m. – Judging Complete in time to join the Morning Ride™

10:00 a.m. – The Morning Ride™ Departs

The Lodge at Deadwood

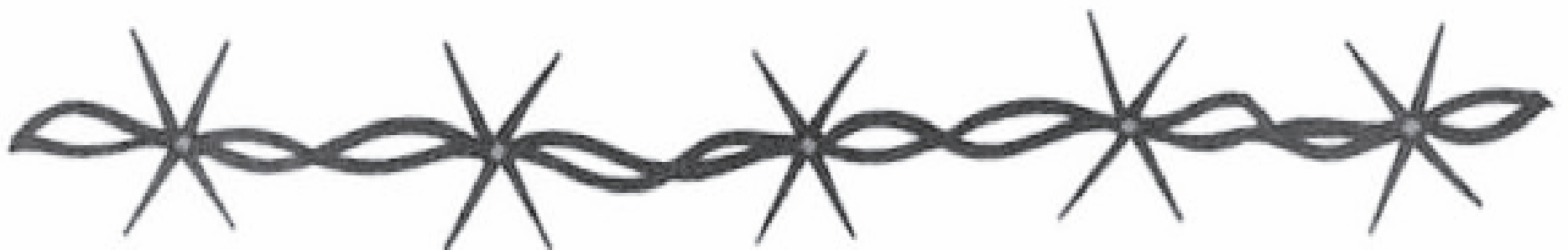
11:00 a.m. – Registration opens at The Lodge at Deadwood for non-ride participants

11:30 a.m. – "Comfort Zone" by Team Diva pampering, retail experience and silent auction

12:30 p.m. – "Shifting Gears" Symposium, featured speakers and catered lunch

1:45 p.m. – All participants gather for Biker Belles official group photo

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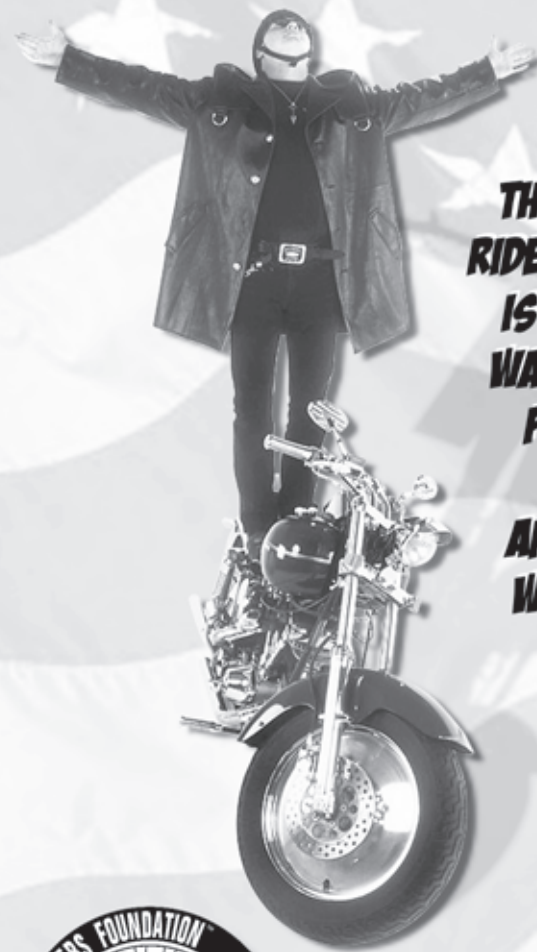


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## The Sixth Annual FXR Show & Dyna Mixer

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The sixth annual FXR Show & Dyna Mixer is a unique social opportunity to hang out and talk motorcycles with friends while admiring what some consider the best-handling Harley-Davidsons ever manufactured. Over 100 FXR and Dyna motorcycles are expected to show up to the Sturgis Buffalo Chip free-access CrossRoads, making it quite possibly the largest single show of the rally. The FXR has a long standing history in the custom world and has along with the DYNA found popularity once again with a new generation of riders and customizers inspired by legends like Don Hotop, Billy Westbrook, Donnie Smith and many others. In lieu of trophies, winners are awarded quality motorcycle parts and merchandise, thanks to the support of some of the biggest names in the indus-

try.

Entrants are encouraged to ride in their FXR or DYNA and enter for free. Registration begins at 9:30 a.m., the show opens at 11 a.m. and awards are presented at 2 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 5, 2018.

"To many FXR riders, the FXR never went away, however, FXR fans both new and old are riding a new wave of popularity that continues to swell," said Joe Mielke, show organizer. "The Buffalo Chip provides a great place for this event with all of their resources. We draw a lot of people who are there just to hang out and talk motorcycles. Come early and stay late for all the entertainment the Buffalo Chip has to offer. It's a great fit."

"This is a great show," said Rod Woodruff, Sturgis Buffalo Chip

President. "We love having the cool bikes and even more so the people who thought to build them all at the Chip for a big social event. The fact that they raise money for LifeScape is such a bonus. I'm looking forward to being part of it here on August 5."

### Judging

To add to the uniqueness of the show, those who have motorcycles in the show act as the judges by selecting their top three in each class. The general public also has an opportunity to vote for their favorite, with the top vote-getter receiving "The People's Choice Award."

### Raffle

During the show, a raffle is held with all proceeds donated directly to LifeScape of

South Dakota, formerly known as Children's Care Hospital and School of South Dakota. New this year, Paughco has donated a frame, tank and swingarm, the basis for an FXR project. Additional parts are being gathered to create a roller. The FXR roller will have its own dedicated raffle tickets.

### Donations

The show graciously accepts donations at any level. Those interested can contact Joe Mielke at [joe@fxrshow.com](mailto:joe@fxrshow.com).

More information is available at [www.fxrshow.com](http://www.fxrshow.com).

More motorcycle shows to be held at the Buffalo Chip's CrossRoads will be announced soon.

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