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ABATE OF ARIZONA MEMBERS RUNNING FOR PUBLIC OFFICE!!!



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Mike Infanzon
 ABATE of AZ Designated Lobbyist

bers running for public office.

Todd Clodfelter is running for re-election in LD10. Todd has been a member of the Southern Arizona chapter for a few years now. He is an avid motorcyclist and was the 2017 ABATE House Freedom Fighter of the Year.

Karen Fann is a member of the Yavapai chapter and has been a strong supporter of motorcyclists since she was elected to the House and that advocacy has continued in her time in the Senate. She is running for re-election. Senator Fann was the 2017 ABATE Senate Freedom Fighter of the Year.

chapter this year after being asked why he wasn't a member. Always supportive of motorcyclists during his time in the Arizona Legislature we are encouraged in the possibility of an ABATE member being Governor of Arizona. Senator Farley was the recipient of the 2018 ABATE Senate Freedom Fighter of the Year award.

ABATE is a nonpartisan organization that encourages our elected officials who are supportive of motorcycle rights, safety and awareness to become a member.

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As of today, we have three ABATE mem-

Steve Farley joined the Southern Arizona



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c/o Jim Silk, 5722 E. Garnet Circle, Mesa, AZ 85206

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EAST VALLEY CHAPTER meetings are held the 4th Sunday of the month at 11:00 a.m. at Meeting held at Desert Winds Harley Davidson 922 S Country Club Dr Mesa, AZ 85210 FMI contact Jim Silk FY1 602 312 1927

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High Country Chapter meetings are held on the 3rd Saturday at 10 a.m. at The Moose Lodge in Star Valley. Contact: azoutlaw66@hotmail.com

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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 Butsback (520)247-3051 or abateofazsac@yahoo.com

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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/. Meet us at 5 for the VFW's very reasonably priced and tasty dinner.

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Yuma Chapter meets the second Tuesday evening monthly at 6:00 PM at the pm. We meet at the Copper Miner Restaurant, 11375 S Foothills Blvd 85367 For additional information contact Frank White (Hound) at 209-327-0814.

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Coordinator.....Tom Aydt
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EDITOR'S NOTE:

If any of the Officers are listed here incorrectly, please send corrections to: **TheMasterlink@abateofaz.org** I will be sure everything is accurate for the next Issue and on the web site.

News from the MRF

For Immediate Release

August 16, 2018

MRF President Inducted into Sturgis Motorcycle Hall of Fame

The Motorcycle Riders Foundation would like to congratulate Chairman of the Board and President of the MRF, Kirk "Hardtail" Willard, on his induction into the Sturgis Motorcycle Hall of Fame during the 78th Annual Sturgis Motorcycle Rally. Willard was the recipient of the "Freedom Fighter Award" which recognizes individuals who have made a long-term, positive

impact on the motorcycle rights community.

If you couldn't attend the Hall of Fame breakfast, you can watch his induction speech by clicking the link below.

MRF President Kirk Willard Inducted into Sturgis Motorcycle Hall of Fame
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2cawhWL8W_U&feature=youtu.be

MRF Friends & Allies:

I wanted to pass along a brief update on several items that may be of importance to you and your state colleagues.

Motorcyclist Hearing Protection

There is an effort underway to overturn several state laws which prohibit the use

of earphones, headsets or headphones while riding, and this may be interpreted to prohibit earplugs used for hearing protection. Four of these states (Alaska, Louisiana, Ohio, Virginia) specifically prohibit motorists from wearing earplugs. As such, if you are interested in pursuing this effort in the states affected (either the 4 mentioned above or if you have any issues in your state that I am unaware of) please contact me. I can provide you with background information and statutory language suggestions. This effort is being supported by the Motorcycle Industry Council.

New Report on Automated Vehicles – State Impacts

The GHSA published a report on self-driving cars today with considerations for state-specific issues. As you know, the MRF is lobbying for strong safety

standards at the federal level which would require auto and technology makers to file a report with the Department of Transportation accounting for how their self-driving vehicles identities and responds to motorcycles. However, there will be a number of issues regarding licensing, law and traffic enforcement, insurance and liability that will be dealt with via state regulations. This report is worth a review to see what you need to be thinking about now to be prepared to lobby your state government and agencies when it comes to self-driving cars.

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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.

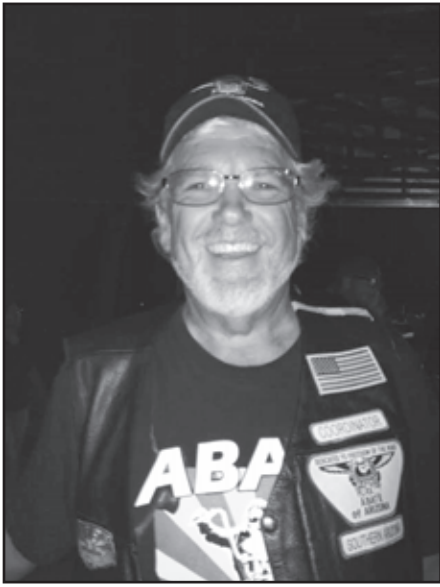
We will endeavor to enlist the cooperation and participation of all organizations and individuals who share

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!!

When you see this it will already be September. The kids are back in school and the summer will soon be coming to an end (as much as it does here in AZ). I hope everyone had a great summer and was able to get out and enjoy our beautiful state.

Many of you know that I have had some serious health issues this year and because of that I have not been able to ride and unfortunately this has forced me to miss many events that I would have normally have attended. I hope to do better in the future. When this issue is published I will have completed my cardiac

rehab and hopefully the doctors will have released me to ride. I did take the bike out to attend the ACMC meeting held here in Tucson but I could tell I was pushing it. I hope to be able to ride up to the MRF "MEETING OF THE MINDS" in Denver, but we will have to see about that.

Speaking of "Meeting of the Minds", 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. 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. Mark your calendars and get your time planned so you can be there. There is a group who will be riding up and sharing rooms to save expenses so come along and ride with them. It would be great to have a LARGE contingent of ABATE of Arizona members riding in force! I ask each Chapter to organize their members and get an idea on how many will be able to attend and if they will be riding. If you are not yet a member of the MRF, I strongly urge you to join.

We are now entering into the heart of this

year's election season. The primaries are over and the field of candidates should be smaller. ABATE of Arizona does not endorse any candidates but we strongly urge all of our members to do your due diligence as a voter and learn what the candidates really stand for. The image that is put out in the campaign material is not always the truth (if you can image that!) so check the voting records and ask questions etc. ABATE has put out several lists of voting records and how some of these folks stand as far as motorcycle issues. So when you go to the polls I encourage everyone to ride your bike and wear your attire so that everyone knows you are a rider! So VOTE LIKE A MOTORCYCLIST!

Speaking of elections it is now time to start preparing for your Chapter elections.

The success of your Chapter depends on volunteers. We are all in this together and we all joined ABATE because motorcycle rights and safety issues are important to us. The old adage that "Many hands make easy work" is true. So lend a helping hand and make the work a little easier for everyone in your Chapter, consider being and officer.

Please remember to support those business and organizations that support ABATE and the motorcycle community. Talk to the business you support about becoming a Business Member of ABATE. Note that these businesses do not have to be bike shops or dealers, anyone who believe in the freedoms of the road and

motorcycle awareness and safety is a potential ABATE Business member.

Help spread the gospel of ABATE while you are out riding and supporting other groups and clubs. There is a club membership that will extend benefits to all members of a club no matter how many and this includes the Accident insurance. Individuals can join if the club does not. Always keep several membership tri-folds with you and wear your ABATE gear when attending other groups events and let them know you are an ABATE member. Very few folks will just walk up and ask to join, they need to be asked. ASK THEM!

Please remember that the Masterlink is your newsletter too! We need pictures and articles to fill the pages of our paper, PLEASE take some photos and write a short story/description of the event and submit it to the Masterlink! Everyone likes to see their picture in a paper. Take lots of photos wherever you go and submit them. 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!

Until next month!

Ride Free!! Ride Safe!! Ride ENDORSED!!

Jim

September Legislative Update

By the time this is published we will know who the winners of the primary elections are. You can go to azmvp.org to see the result for your legislative district. Our ABATE/AzMVP "Vote Like a Motorcyclist" Voter Guide is also available on azmvp.org and abateofaz.org/legislative. I have also put together a Voter Registration Kit for all of our chapters and I will be delivering them before or on the September chapter meetings to your PAC officers.

UPCOMING LEGISLATION

I have been working on legislation support for the 2019 session already and so far, it's been very productive. We have five legislators who have pledged to either sponsor or cosponsor some kind of profiling legislation. We had Rep. Jill Norgaard volunteer to meet with attorney Mark Breyer (Husband and Wife Law

Team) to figure out how to get the "helmet lie" fixed in Arizona. I have also gathered support of this once it is introduced. I have been in discussions with many legislators to explain lane splitting/lane filtering and how I think we can approach this issue for the safety of motorcyclists to reduce rear end collisions. We will be introducing legislation to make sure the Motorcycle Safety Fund is unable to be swept into the general fund again. I have spoken to Alberto Gutier, director of the Governors office of Highway Safety, and we really want to be able to make sure those funds are available for his office to administer for motorcycle safety and awareness. Congresswoman Debbie Lesko (CD8) has pledged to sign onto H. Res. 318, motorcycle profiling. That would bring us to 3 out of 9 Congressional Representatives co-sponsoring this bill.

GET OUT THE VOTE

Along with a Voter Registration Kit, I want to encourage all ABATE members to help GET OUT THE VOTE for the general election. Recently I have walked neighborhoods and phone banked in an effort for this. If you are on social media, you can use #iridevote and #vote-likeamotorcyclist to help bring awareness that motorcyclists are a significant part of the electorate.

PRE-ELECTION EVENTS

I also want to encourage all of you to utilize any bike night or event you attend as a get out the vote opportunity. Motorcycles on Main in Mesa kicks off again in September. Come down and help man the booth. I know several of the Mesa City Council candidates will be in attendance, so it is a great way to get our

message to the elected officials. ABATE will be hosting several #votelikeamotorcyclist events around the state before the general election. These will include: Meet the Candidates, Voter Registration Drives, Candidate Debates, Get Out the Vote (GOTV) events. I am working on #iridevote t-shirts and hoping everyone will wear them to the polls on election day.

One last thing. I know some of you have been volunteering with some of the campaigns this election cycle. Send me pics of you and the candidates you support and a little blurb on what you are doing to help that campaign. If you will be attending an Election Night Party also let me know so we can get the word out.

Freedom is a team sport!
Mike



Chapter Reports

East Valley Chapter

Monsoon season has reared its ugly head. Everyone please be safe out there.

Since my last report we have had some excitement.

Nolan attended the Board of Directors meeting on July 21st after the High Country chapter meeting. It was a busy and productive meeting.

After the July 22nd chapter meeting there was a gathering at Jim Silk's house for the annual East Valley Pool party. Always great people and good food. It was nice to see a few new faces.

A group of us road up to the High Country member appreciation on August 11th. It was a wonderful time. Good people, food, and music. Thank You High Country Chapter.

We are gearing up for the annual Biker Bowling to win our trophy pin back from Phoenix Shadow Mountain chapter on August 26th after the chapter meeting.

Hard Ass Run has been set for October 27th.

Be safe out there. Enjoy the ride and as always keep it rubber side down.

Here's to Wind Knots in my Hair,
Dawn P Steed
EV Communications

High Country Chapter

Hello from High Country Chapter. We had our Membership Appreciation event August 11th. It was a great turn out of

approximately 75 people. Thank you to our hosts Jimmy and Kate, the owner's of Bandit's Restaurant and Dirty Cowboy Saloon in Strawberry, AZ for the delicious lunch and hospitality. We were very surprised at the number of members, as well as the public, that showed up from all over Arizona. Thank you to all who traveled from all over the State. Show Low, Prescott, Phoenix, Mesa, and Verde Valley were all represented. As always, it was good seeing Dawn and Nolan Steed and Joel Rosen. The event was open to the public and also generated four new members and one renewal. Thanks also to our entertainment, "Plum Crazy" for another awesome performance. At the end of the day we had a 50/50 drawing and the winner was our local member "Joy Stick". Our event brought the community together and all-in-all was a positive day for ABATE Of Arizona. We are looking forward to doing the same type of event next year around the same time. Mark your calendars if you would like to be present for a good time. Now that I might possibly have your interest... our next High Country Chapter event is our annual Chili Cook-off at Noon on Saturday, October 20th at The Spur Bar in Star Valley, AZ. Anyone can enter their chili. It only \$5 to enter and \$5 for all you can eat chili!. Keep a look out for our flyers in the upcoming Masterlink. Mark your calendars now because it never fails to be a great time.

By Amy Edwards & Billy Hensler

Phoenix/Shadow Mountain

NO REPORT

Southern Arizona Chapter

This month's meeting was on Saturday July 21st; unfortunately attendance was very low due to folks having to work and vacations etc.

We did have some good discussions on issues affecting motorcyclist and the upcoming election season. We are looking into a meet and greet type event after the primary. It was emphasized that it is important for everyone to get out and vote and to learn about the candidates in their areas. ABATE does not endorse any particular candidate but we do encourage everyone to vote their conscious and to "VOTE LIKE A MOTORCYCLIST".

We had several guests in attendance who represent a club which is considering joining.

The next major event on the calendar is "MEETING OF THE MINDS" which is the annual conference for the Motorcycle Riders Foundation. This event will be held in September in Denver. We will need to plan on who is able to attend and make plans for the ride up there. ABATE of Arizona is one of the sponsors and we need to have a good showing of members from Arizona. Jim encouraged everyone who is not a member of the MRF to join.

Sean Pinder announced to the Chapter that due to his health issues and a combination of work and family commitments he will be stepping down from his position as BOD rep for our Chapter at the end of this year. If anyone is interested in more information on what the BOD rep does, or is interested in running for this position please talk to Jim or Sean as they will be happy to talk with you about it. Thanks to Sean for many years of representing our Chapter on the board and

helping to make ABATE a better organization.

Due to the low attendance and not having the proper items to do the drawings there was no 50/50 or membership drawing at this meeting.

As always please keep promoting our Business Memberships to those you do business with. We have been doing Great on this so let's keep up the good work.

Anyone who is not getting emails from the Chapter, please send your email address to abateofazsac@yahoo.com. There is also a group page at Yahoo Groups. All Chapter members can sign up there and receive all emails from the Chapter through the group.

It is abateofazsac@yahoo.com. We are trying to save the Chapter some money by cutting down on postage. Please make sure the State Membership Officer has all your current information as well, this includes phone numbers, email addresses, address changes etc. You can email him at membershipofficer@abateofaz.org.

Ride Free, Ride Safe, RideEndorsed!

Yavapai Chapter

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Yuma Chapter

NO REPORT

New Business Spotlight: Az Body Therapy

Have you ever had tight muscles, knots or pain after a long ride and wanted to go to a message therapist and didn't know where to go? At AZ Body Therapy, they believe that therapeutic massage is an extremely important part of healthy living. They strive to educate their clients to the many benefits regular massage therapy can provide.

AZ Body Therapy is ABATE's newest business member. Located at 7802 N 43rd Avenue in Glendale, the certified message therapists can help you with Therapeutic message for pain management as well as just relaxation. AZ Body Therapy offers a variety of modalities such as deep tissue, hot stone, lymphatic, sports message, Thai message and prenatal.

Owner, Mariya Rodgers has been a certi-

fied therapist for over 15 years. She opened her own message clinic in 2011 after working for many other clinics and chiropractors. She constantly is advancing her knowledge and education by taking many continuing education courses in order to stay ahead of the current trends and keep up with the latest research and techniques. She has a passion for teaching clients self-care and working out treatment plans to achieve the best results possible. She has a desire to offer affordable care for all. Maybe this is why AZ Body Therapy has been voted "Best in Glendale" every year since 2013 and inducted into the Glendale Business Hall of Fame.

Some of the services offered:

Deep Tissue Massage - Highly effective for releasing chronic stress areas due to

misalignment, repetitive motions, and past lingering injuries.

Swedish Massage - Relaxing, light pressure massage. Very beneficial for decreasing stress levels in the body, relieving aches and pains, and enhancing mental clarity.

Hot Stone Massage - All the benefits of a Deep Tissue Massage without the deep pressure. Hot Stones "melt away" the tension and muscle tightness.

Reflexology - According to Reflexology, every part of the human body is mapped out in the feet. Pressure applied to specific nerve zones in your feet aims to harmonize your entire body.

Thai Massage - A series of yoga type stretches combined with compressions allowing for increased flexibility and range of motion.

Pregnancy Massage - Pamper the "mom-

to-be" with a wonderful, relaxing massage.

Lymphatic Drainage Massage - Gently and rhythmically moves lymph through your body relieving pressure and enhancing the immune system.

Trigger Point Therapy and Cranial-Sacral Therapy are also available.

Mariya believes in taking care of our veterans. AZ Body Therapy offers a 20% discount to all current and former military. You can book online with any of the staff www.azbodytherapy.com Download the app from PlayStore or just call 623.847.0958.

AZ Body Therapy - 7802 N 43rd Ave, #10 Glendale 85301 (43rd Ave just a little South of Northern on the west side of the road)



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Yavapai Chapter of ABATE of Arizona

As Monsoon season settles down and we move into Fall, the Yavapai Chapter of ABATE of Arizona is ready to enjoy the beauty of Northern Arizona. On August 15th, we rode together to Tony's Too in Prescott Valley to thank Tony for joining as a business member. Tony has a great bar and grill and the food is worth the ride from anywhere!

Over Labor Day weekend, you'll find us at Sunset Point Rest Area. You may remember that we participated with

Grand Canyon Harley Davidson and the Arizona Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Foundation over the 4th of July holidays handing out water and snacks to travelers heading north or south on I-17. We were asking drivers in cars to please be aware that there are a lot of motorcycles that enjoy the same stretch of highway that they do and to just keep an eye out for us. Motorcyclists were grateful for a cool bottle of water on those hot days. It was such a successful event the Grand Canyon Harley Davidson

and AMSAF decided to do it again over Labor Day weekend and we agreed. Hope to see you there!

On October 13, 2018, we'll be partnering with the Prescott Trail Riders for our 2nd Annual Open On Road/Off Road Ride to Arrowhead Grill. It's your choice! You can do the ride on the street or on the trails. Either way, we're going to meet at the VFW Post 541 in Prescott and have a meet and greet from 9:00 am to 10:00 am. You'll get your road map, form up

whatever group suits you and head on over to enjoy lunch with the whole group at Arrowhead Grill. Lunch will be at 1:00 and the menu has several items to quench your hunger.

What could be better than a train ride in Verde Valley on a crisp Fall day? On November 3, 2018 come join us for our Verde Canyon Railroad Train Social event.

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Coast to Coast

*NCOM BIKER NEWSBYTES
Compiled & Edited by Bill Bish,
National Coalition of Motorcyclists
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EPA ADMITS ETHANOL CAUSES ENVIRONMENTAL DAMAGE

“The federal requirement to blend ethanol into gasoline on the theory that it will reduce the hypothetical global warming that hasn’t appeared yet has been a joke from the start,” states a newsbit circulated by Bikernet.com, and that “By adding a huge amount of demand for corn, it did push up prices for that commodity, and made vast swaths of the rural Midwest prosperous, though it has injured poor Mexicans and others who depend on corn for a substantial portion of their nutrition and driven up the price of feed used for animals, raising meat prices.”

The net energy balance of ethanol production – subtracting the amount of energy necessary to grow the corn, transport it to refineries, and then transport the ethanol to gasoline producers, has been considered a substantial net energy gain. But now the EPA has finally issued a new report and admits that the ethanol mandate comes at a considerable environmental cost.

The Public News Service summarizes: “Federal law requires the EPA to assess the environmental impact of the fuel standard every three years, but the new

report, issued in July, was four years overdue. According to David DeGennaro with the National Wildlife Federation, the report documents millions of acres of wildlife habitat lost to ethanol crop production, increased nutrient pollution in waterways and air emissions and side effects worse than the gasoline the ethanol is replacing.”

“The bigger surprise is the fact that ethanol production and combustion significantly increases the production of nitrous oxides (Nox),” notes HotAir.com. “This combines with oxygen in the atmosphere when exposed to sunlight, producing ozone...and actually contributes to the formation of smog and leads to respiratory ailments for many people.”

None of this speaks to the excessive costs that ethanol forces on drivers and auto manufacturers, says Bikernet.com, concluding that; “Alas, the mandate is so popular with corn farmers in Iowa, home of the first round of presidential nominations, that President Trump (and other politicians) not only maintain the mandate, President Trump recently told an audience in Iowa that he was ‘very close’ to having EPA issue a waiver to the Clean Air Act to allow year-round sale of E-15.”

SYNTHETIC PETROL IS ON ITS WAY

The concept of fuel for your bike that

doesn’t drain our dwindling oil reserves and offsets its CO2 emissions with its very production is closer than we think, according to MotorcycleNews.com. “For decades, boffins have been trying to work out ways to synthesize petrol (gasoline) and diesel, but with recent strides by Ducati owners Audi and tech giants Bosch, synfuels could hit our pumps within the next decade.”

The theory is to harness our natural resources to make petrol and diesel and be able to produce it on an industrial scale so that prices can match current fuel costs.

“The new fuel has many advantages. It isn’t dependent on crude oil, it is compatible with the existing infrastructure and it offers the prospect of a closed carbon cycle,” says Reiner Mangold, head of sustainable product development at Audi.

A huge amount of energy is necessary to process the fuel, but Audi and Bosch’s plans involve a renewable energy source, such as solar or hydroelectric, to power the process. They say renewable electricity can make the process carbon neutral.

When combined with a potential carbon-free production process, it means internal combustion could be part of the environmental solution rather than the problem.

While all this might sound like science fiction, Audi produced their first synthetic

petrol earlier this year, called e-Benzin, and is currently constructing a diesel production plant in Switzerland powered by hydroelectricity from a nearby dam. Mass production of this petrol is the next obvious step.

ACCIDENTS & FATALITIES DOWN AT STURGIS, DESPITE BIGGER CROWD

The number of fatal crashes during the Sturgis Motorcycle Rally was half that of last year’s count, according to statistics released by the South Dakota Highway Patrol. During the two-week event, there were four fatal crashes, compared to eight during the same time period last year. Both injury and non-injury accidents were down more than 10% compared to 2017, and total citations issued during Sturgis were also down nearly ten percent to 987.

Meanwhile, more than half a million vehicles rolled into the small western South Dakota town of 6,900. Data gathered by the South Dakota Department of Transportation from nine locations around Sturgis show a nearly 8% increase in traffic over last year, which saw 469,100 vehicles.

For this year’s 78th annual Sturgis

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- Help prevent motorcycle crashes and promote crash survival through rider education, and . . .
- Public awareness campaigns.
- Encourage ongoing federal research programs such as use of E15 fuel in motorcycles, inclusion of motorcycles in ongoing transportation emerging technologies, and improvements in safer roadway design strategies.
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- 2007 Remove Motorcycle Safety Fund cap
- 2007 Eliminated yearly motorcycle emissions testing in Pima County
- 2004 Veteran’s plates for motorcycles
- 2002 Arizona Motorcycle Safety Council established
- 2001 Motorcycle Safety Fund established
- 1997 Handlebar height raised to shoulder
- 1993 Helped prevent mandatory helmet legislation in Arizona
- 1992 Opened HOV lanes to motorcycles

Motorcycle Awareness Program (MAP)

ABATE of Arizona has developed a program with the mission to provide motorcycle awareness training to all drivers and soon-to-be drivers on the road in Arizona. Instructors provide a one hour program to students in driver education classes throughout the state.

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

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Coast to Coast (continued)

Motorcycle Rally, the tally was 505,969 vehicles, which includes motorcycles, automobiles, trucks and motor homes. Still, the number was shy of the 2015 traffic, when 747,032 vehicles rolled into the city for the 75th annual rally.

MOTORCYCLE INDUSTRY TRYING TO ATTRACT NEW RIDERS

Motorcycling in America is getting a makeover, as industry stalwarts and upstart competitors are trying to attract new riders who want something different from Harley's big burbling cruisers or screaming Japanese and European performance bikes, says CNNMoney.

The changes are in response to younger riders who are attracted to the efficiency and fun of two-wheel travel, but who don't want to buy into all the "biker" baggage.

"Millennials and Gen X'ers, they aren't always seeking to make motorcycling a lifestyle, where it's kind of everything you live for," said Tim Buche, president and CEO of the Motorcycle Industry Council. These younger riders are looking for motorcycles suited to a more casual relationship rather than a serious commitment.

With shifting tastes, some start-up motorcycle makers are offering "green" electric bikes, without the noise, vibration and pollutants of an internal combustion engine, while more well-established brands are putting design emphasis on spare simplicity, targeted at a more casual rider.

Even long-venerated Harley-Davidson announced it will start offering products aimed at reaching customers who aren't traditionally drawn to its renowned American retro-styled offerings, and will produce their first electric motorcycle -- the all-new LiveWire -- in 2019.

HARLEY REFUTES 'MISINFORMATION' ABOUT MOVING PRODUCTION OFFSHORE

Harley-Davidson Inc. Chief Executive Officer Matt Levatich pushed back against what he called "misinformation" surrounding the Motor Company's announced plans to move some produc-

tion overseas.

The iconic American motorcycle maker has been the subject of angry tweets from President Donald Trump since announcing in June it would move some production abroad to sidestep tariffs the European Union slapped on its bikes in retaliation to Trump's tariffs on imported steel and aluminum.

According to Bloomberg business news, "the spat heated up recently when President Trump said he would support a boycott of the company if it moved production overseas." Trump's pronouncement that "A Harley-Davidson should never be built in another country-never!" came a day after he welcomed nearly 200 'Bikers For Trump' supporters to his golf course in Bedminster, New Jersey, and a New York Times article cited some Harley-Davidson owners criticizing the company at the Sturgis Motorcycle Rally saying this was their last Harley.

Levatich said that the uproar surrounding the company's earlier announcement that it would move some of its production overseas "misinformation". He reminded employees and dealers that the purpose of this move is to keep their products competitive in their second biggest market. Harley doesn't sell motorcycles in the U.S. that are built overseas, and that won't change, Levatich said.

NEW MEXICO MRO CALLS OUT SHERIFFS DEPUTIES FOR PROFILING BIKERS

A motorcycle rights group in New Mexico is calling out the Bernalillo County Sheriff, claiming his deputies are profiling motorcyclists. "Being profiled, it's not a comfortable feeling," said Raymond Gallegos of the New Mexico Motorcycle Rights Organization (NMMRO), saying there's been a string of incidents with BCSO, prompting them to write a letter to Sheriff Manuel Gonzales.

Some see the patches, the leather and certain colors on riders and assume criminal. However, Gallegos, vice chair of the NMMRO, says that's far from the truth. "So many of our organizations really benefit the community. We're working for charities, we're raising money for this

organization or that organization," he told KRQE News 13.

Gallegos says members of the NMMRO have reported three incidents over the last year that call into question BCSO's practices. It led the group to write a letter to Sheriff Gonzales that calls out the department for harassing, intimidating and even photographing riders.

So, NMMRO set up a meeting for July 30 with the sheriff. "We really wanted to see how our community and BCSO could work together to get ahead of this profiling issue," he said. "That was the intent of this meeting with the sheriff's department."

However, the meeting was canceled at the 11th hour and the department told KRQE that there's an ongoing operation to address reckless motorcyclists, but that deputies do not profile riders.

A re-do meeting has since been rescheduled, though NMMRO says it's also pursuing anti-profiling legislation, and is encouraging its members who were allegedly profiled to seek legal counsel.

WACO 'TWIN PEAKS' UPDATE

To keep readers apprised of the ongoing travesty of 'Waco' -- the May 2015 shootout involving police and club members attending a legislative meeting at the Twin Peaks Restaurant that left nine bikers dead and 20 wounded -- AIM/NCOM Founder Richard Lester would like to share the following information gleaned from Southwest Scooter News:

Prosecutors and an attorney for Jacob Carrizal, the Dallas Bandidos chapter president, have agreed to postpone the retrial of the Twin Peaks biker shootout defendant, which had been set for September 10, 2018. Carrizal is the first and only defendant to stand trial so far, and his first trial ended in a hung jury and mistrial in November 2017.

In a joint motion for a continuance, Robert Moody, McLennan County first assistant district attorney, and Chris Lewis, Carrizal's attorney, cite the volume of evidence needed to be reviewed, plus evidence federal prosecutors have agreed to share from the separate trial of two former Bandidos national leaders that both sides want to see, according to the Waco Tribune.

Besides McLennan County prosecutors, attorneys representing defendants in fed-

eral civil rights lawsuits filed over the mass arrests of 193 bikers after the Twin Peaks incident also have cited the need to see federal evidence from a Bandidos racketeering case in San Antonio as a reason for postponing proceedings in the civil cases.

Prosecutors re-indicted Carrizal and 23 other Twin Peaks defendants earlier this summer on riot charges and have said they do not intend to pursue the identical 'engaging in organized criminal activity' charges on which 155 bikers were indicted three years ago. Of those 155 cases, with defendants being held in jail for months on a million dollars bail each, all but 27 have been dismissed.

In the meantime, as his term grows short, Waco District Attorney Abel Reyna -- who failed in his re-election bid largely over his mishandling of the "Twin Peaks Shootout" cases -- is settling old scores before leaving office by firing prosecutor Amanda Dillon, the last of Reyna's remaining employees who provided information to the FBI during its investigation of DA Reyna, effectively blaming her for the mistrial in the Carrizal case.

HANOI TO BAN MOTORCYCLES

Vietnamese authorities have announced plans to ban motorcycles in Hanoi by 2030 in a bid to cut air pollution and improve locals' quality of life. The country's capital, Hanoi, is home to 7.7 million people and is one of the most polluted cities in Southeast Asia and only 38 days last year had air quality that was considered good by the World Health Organization.

The city is famous for its millions of motorcycles (5m), and it is these -- together with coal-fired power plants, heavy industry, a surge in construction projects and the seasonal agricultural burning -- which authorities are blaming for the pollution.

In an attempt to combat the air quality problem and boost public transport, Hanoi city council announced in early August that powered two-wheelers would be banned by 2030.

QUOTABLE QUOTE: "If you want to call the NFL to make your voice heard," ask for Mike in the P.R. Office (212-450-2000) and "let them know the players need to respect our National Anthem and the Veterans of the United States. No profanity, be polite!"~ from Gill Mellon, ABATE of California board member and liaison to the Confederations of Clubs



ABATE of Arizona Chapter Meeting Times and Locations

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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: chickbone@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

Mohave Chapter
Mohave County Chapter meetings are held the last Wednesday of the month 6:00 PM at: Moose Lodge #1860, 2620 Miracle Mile, Bullhead City, AZ 86442 Phone: 715-651-0770 thamedic1951@gmail.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

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. See us on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/groups/ycabateaz/.

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In closing, We meet on the second Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. at the VFW Post 541 in Prescott - 202 N


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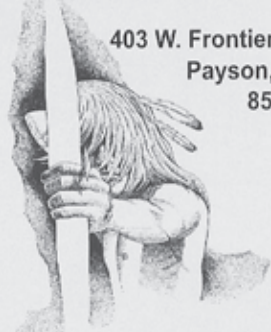
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9/7 {Fri} Motorcycles on Main Bike Night returns from summer break! Visit Downtown Mesa from 6-10pm. Live Music by The Hardways. Beer Garden, vendors, & more. Park & show your bike. Eateries open. Takes place every first Friday between September & June. Vendors call Courtney 480-

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<https://facebook.com/MotorcyclesOnMain9/8> {Sun} East Valley Biker Rodeo with Rough Riders MC at Lost Dutchman MC Queen Creek Clubhouse, 17998 186th St Queen Creek, AZ 85142. Benefits Dogs 4 Vets in Gilbert {<https://dogs4vets.org/>}. Starts at noon. \$5/pp + food is \$5. Dog bite contest, slow roll, keg roll, keg toss, and skillet toss. Trophies for 1st-3rd place in each event. There will be live music and vendors. Sponsors include Law Tigers. FMI: Toro 602-670-2154 | <https://www.facebook.com/events/260837121142934/>

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Panhead Bikernet Weekly News

Hey,
 We are keeping it simple this week and away from politics and the climate. This week is centered on Panheads, girls and whiskey, my favorites.

We may start to assemble Doctor Hamster's Panhead this weekend.

I took my bastard Panhead for a ride yesterday and Peter Linney featured Micah's classic Panhead Chopper for Cycle Source this week.

VAUGHN BEALS R.I.P.--

Rest in peace Vaughn Beals, 1928 – 2018. Beals joined Harley-Davidson in 1975 as an engineer. In 1981, he led a group of investors who bought Harley-Davidson back from AMF and into independence.

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AMSAF awarded \$100,000 grant to provide motorcycle rider training scholarships

July1, 2018, Peoria, Arizona – The Arizona Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Foundation (AMSAF) announces the award of a \$100,000 grant from the Arizona Governor's Office of Highway Safety (AZGOHS). The grant, which demonstrates support for AMSAF's mission of boosting awareness of motorcyclists while reducing rider fatalities and injuries, will be used to provide motorcycle rider training classes to the public through a scholarship program.

"AMSAF is excited to continue giving out more scholarships to help educate new and present riders," says Mick Degn, AMSAF Executive Director. "We want to thank AZGOHS Director Alberto Gutier for his continued support for motorcycle safety in Arizona," adds Degn. "This continues to be the largest single activity we do to promote motorcycle safety and awareness and to help reduce motorcycle crashes and fatalities. This will allow anyone in the state of Arizona to apply for, and receive, motorcycle training. Since we started offering scholarships, AMSAF has provided more than 2000 in Arizona to help educate riders."

In addition to providing yet more scholarships, looking forward, AMSAF plans to:

- develop unique partnerships with Arizona businesses to help reduce crashes and fatalities
- increase participation in rider training through discount incentives
- identify key industry liaisons that can help further the message and promote AMSAF's efforts through activities, events and outreach opportunities

Saving money, saving lives

A basic rider's course can cost a motorcyclist in Arizona up to and over \$300; however, the AMSAF scholarship will enable riders to obtain necessary safety training through a reduced cost Scholarship. Every Arizona motorcycle rider or potential rider is eligible to receive the AMSAF scholarship, and can apply by visiting AMSAF online at: <http://www.amsaf.org/scholarships/>

Demonstrating the successful completion of a rider's skill course, or passing the in-person skills test, is required to earn the (M) motorcycle endorsement on an Arizona state driver's license.

Additionally, many major insurance companies will offer insurance policy discounts for riders that have completed a safety and training course.

The basic rider course (BRC) is a perfect fit for new riders seeking the motorcycle endorsement or for any rider who wants

to freshen up their skills. This course is certified by the Motorcycle Safety Foundation (MSF).

About AMSAF: Arizona's voice for motorcycle safety

Arizona has more than 3,000 crashes a year involving motorcycles and that number is on the rise. Promoting awareness of motorcycles on the road by drivers, in addition to safety training for riders, are two key ways to reduce crashes that lead to serious injury and fatalities.

Founded in 2011, AMSAF is a non-profit foundation that is focused on reducing motorcycle crashes in Arizona. AMSAF's goal is to promote motorcycle safety and awareness through education and training. AMSAF rider training scholarships will enhance motorcycle safety by helping to reduce motorcycle crashes in Arizona.

Visit AMSAF online at www.AMSAF.org to learn motorcycle news and updates. Follow AMSAF on Facebook for more motorcycle rider safety tips at www.facebook.com/amsaf.org

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Motorcycle Riders Foundation Awareness & Education (MRFA&E) was established to promote motorcycle awareness and education due to an ever-increasing rider population. No one is more concerned with rider safety than riders themselves, and obviously those best suited to educate newer riders are veteran riders.

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New Mexico Motorcyclists Confront Sheriff Over Motorcycle Profiling

From <http://www.motorcycleprofilingproject.com>

According to data collected by the New Mexico Motorcyclists Rights Organization (NMMRO), motorcyclists in New Mexico have been increasingly experiencing profiling stops at the hands of the Bernalillo County Sheriff's Department. But instead of merely collecting data, the NMMRO recently confronted Sheriff Manuel Gonzales requesting that all department policies and procedures be reviewed, and that all deputies

be properly trained and educated so that they understand that profiling and selective enforcement of the law are simply unacceptable.

Motorcycle profiling deprives individuals of basic constitutional guarantees and should therefore be a concern to all Americans. The 1st Amendment irrefutably protects the rights of association and expression and judicial precedent has specifically applied these rights in the context of motorcycle clubs, including clubs that law enforcement labels a gang.

Being in a motorcycle club is not justification for a traffic stop. And even when a traffic pretext is provided in an attempt to justify the stop, the 14th Amendment prohibits selective enforcement of the law.

The Motorcycle Profiling Project (MPP) commends the NMMRO's proactive grassroots efforts. The MPP joins the NMMRO in the request to the Bernalillo Sheriff's Department to properly educate and train deputies to cease the common practice of motorcycle profiling. Furthermore, the MPP believes that the

Bernalillo Sheriff's department should confirm a commitment in a public statement condemning the practice.

inally, please take the time to fill out the National Motorcycle Profiling Survey 2018 (<http://www.motorcycleprofilingproject.com/national-motorcycle-profiling-survey/>) and assist the MPP and motorcycle rights organizations nationwide in the effort to end motorcycle profiling and discrimination.



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Sheriff Manuel Gonzales,

We would like to bring to your attention, reports from our riding community that on more than one occasion, deputies from the Bernalillo County Sheriff's Department have been conducting random and targeted vehicle stops of riders who are wearing club vests and insignia. These individuals have been questioned about gang activity, harassed, photographed, recorded and restrained.

Simply being a member of any group or organization does not meet the reasonable suspicion criteria for a legitimate traffic stop. Stopping any individual to inspect them for "Gang Colors", questioning, documenting, photographing, recording or checking for warrants is not a legitimate stop under the 4th amendment, and is a clear example of Motorcycle Profiling.

There are several organizations that are currently seeking legislation in their states that will protect the riding public from such harassment and in certain circumstances, result in criminal charges to be brought against the offending officers or deputies. In our community we are asking our members to cooperate fully with the deputies but to document every detail and report this to our organization. If we feel that there has been a clear violation of the members rights, we recommend that they seek legal counsel from a pool of well established lawyers in our area.

In the past your office and our organization, have had a common goal to bring safety awareness and security to our riding public. We hope to continue this relationship, while remaining committed to protecting the rights of our members and the public. We also understand that there are circumstances which warrant that actions be taken upon individuals by your office and in some cases criminal charges may result. Any criminal activity by an individual should be investigated as that, an individual.

We are requesting that you review your department policies and ensure that your deputies are aware that profiling or harassing motorcyclists or using derogatory style tactics is not acceptable in our community.

Respectfully,
Executive Board
New Mexico Motorcyclist Rights Organization

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Report Released Under Pressure After Ex-Sheriff Kills TN Biker

From <http://www.motorcycleprofilingproject.com>

The McMinnville Tennessee Police Department has been refusing to release any public information related to the death of 21-year-old motorcyclist Jay Alan Webster, probate member of the Silent Creed Motorcycle Club, killed on July 7th, 2018, after former Warren County Sheriff Kenneth Taylor failed to yield and hit Webster while driving his Toyota SUV. But after more than a week of stiff public record request denials, and less than 24 hours after public demands to release the information was published on motorcycleprofilingproject.com, the McMinnville Tennessee PD has finally released the accident report.

The release of public information is a small but important victory for motorcyclists in Tennessee because it demonstrates what a focused and unified grass-

roots motorcycle rights campaign can achieve. Yet important unanswered questions remain and the grassroots pressure must continue to be a voice for Jay Alan Webster.

Results of Former Sheriff's Blood Tests "Pending."

The accident report indicates that the although there were no drugs or alcohol found at the scene, the former sheriff was administered a blood test to determine the presence of drugs or alcohol, but the results were still pending when the accident report was filed on July 8th, 2018, more than a month ago. Why have the results of Taylor's blood test not been released? Do the results explain why an investigation into further charges is still on-going?

Release the Results! Motorcyclists Nationwide Demand It!

Rodney Mancini, a National Council of Clubs (NCO) participant and Tennessee motorcyclist that originally requested the accident report from authorities, followed-up with a public records request for the results of Taylor's initial blood test. The McMinnville PD rejected Mancini's request because criminal charges were pending.

The McMinnville PD can arguably exempt these results until the investigation is complete, but the results could also be released through discretion. The public simply has a right to know if a former sheriff was under the influence when he killed a 21-year-old man.

The NCO and the Motorcycle Profiling Project (MPP), organizations representing the legal and political interests of motorcycle clubs nationwide, urges the McMinnville PD to:

Release the results of Taylor's initial blood test and confirm whether the former sheriff was under the influence of drugs; and

Serve justice as dictated by law and charge former sheriff Kenneth Taylor with Vehicular Homicide for the death of Jay Alan Webster, a probate member of the Silent Creed MC, if the results of the test indicate the presence of drugs or alcohol OR if Taylor's conduct created a substantial risk of death or serious bodily injury to Jay Allen.

The grassroots pressure demanding justice for motorcycle clubs and their members through a unified voice must continue, so individuals negligently killing bikers are at least legally forbidden from driving a vehicle. The life and memory of Jay Alan Webster demands this at a minimum.



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Alien Abduction Tour 2018

Riding with the Rat Pack & the SCMA!

By Woody Phillips, ABATE of AZ, MMA of AZ, AZ Rat Pack

For me, the Alien Abduction Tour put on by the AZ Rat Pack is the most fun I have on a motorcycle all year. This year started like the last year with me riding down to Scottsdale Thursday evening from the mountains 2 hours north of the city. But after a good night's sleep I was ready to go.

Distance so far, 90 miles.

SEE PHOTOS FROM THE RIDE HERE <https://motorcyclesafari.com/photo-albums/AlienAbductionTour2018/>

DAY 1

This annual ride starts from Go AZ Motorcycles in Scottsdale, AZ. The riders all met about 9 am to complete paperwork, get a last cup of coffee in, and meet old and new friends. I was pleased to run into several people I had ridden with the previous year including my friends from the Southern California Motorcycle Association (SCMA). We also had riders from Northern California, Calgary Canada, and one young lady from Alaska!

After completing the obligatory paperwork, a pre-ride briefing, and a few group photos, we mounted up and 35+ riders headed out for Show Low AZ for lunch and a gas stop.

The ride up AZ route 87 was awesome as there was not much traffic on a Friday morning and the temperature was about perfect for riding. Passing through Payson we picked up a couple of additional riders and headed up "The Rim" for Show Low. The rim is actually the edge of the Colorado plateau and while it looks like mountains, is really fairly flat on top with just rolling hills between the edge of the rim and Show Low which lies at the foot of the White Mountains.

After a delicious and surprisingly fast lunch at "The House" in Show Low, it was back in the saddle for the run to Socorro, New Mexico. Several riders had skipped the lunch break hoping to make it to the Very Large Array (a misnomer – it should be called the Freakishly Huge Array!) outside Magdalena, NM. These huge antennas are on rail road tracks shaped like an enormous "Y" so they can all be configured perfectly to focus their electronic ears on whatever part of the

distant galaxy is being observed at the time. When the main group arrived the visitor center had already closed (New Mexico being in a time zone an hour ahead of Arizona). However, you could still enter and pick up brochures and look around a bit.

From the VLA it was off to Socorro, NM which was clearly anticipating the next day's activities at the Trinity Site as hotels were full and a local police officer was controlling traffic at the northern entrance to the city from Interstate 25. After checking into the hotel room I had been clever enough to book the day after this year's tour had been listed online, it was a short walk to Socorro Springs for dinner with everyone who had made the days ride.

Dinner was great with "most" everyone at a big table. Friday night is also 50/50 night and this year there was a \$300 pot to be divided. The winner was Woody (yes, yours truly)! How about that!

Total riding for Day 1 came to 365 miles.

Day 2

The second day started REALLY early at 6 AM New Mexico time (5 AM if you were still on AZ time like my body was). The early start was necessary and turned out to be awesome planning as you will see later. Day 2 had three objectives. The first was to get to the Trinity Site, where the detonation of the world's first nuclear weapon took place. The second objective was to leave by 10 for the International UFO Museum in Roswell, NM. And the third objective was to end up in Las Cruces NM for the evening (although a few brave souls broke off for a side trip to Carlsbad, NM).

Meeting at the Econo Lodge in Socorro for a scheduled departure at 6 AM, I think most of us were a bit surprised that it was not only still pitch black, but also quite crisp, temperature wise. Luckily it was only a 30 minute ride to get in line for the front gates of the Trinity Site at the northern end of the White Sands Missile Range to open at 8 AM. It was necessary to get here early as we had quite a day of riding ahead of us and since the site is only open 2 days a year the line to get in can get quite long. Luckily, the security personnel at White Sands have been through this rodeo before and entry and the 12+ mile ride to the actual site could

not have been smoother. They even knew exactly where they were going to park all of our motorcycles when we got there which we greatly appreciated. After a tour of an amazing location from the entire world's history (be sure to check out the photos), we prepared for a 10 am take off to Roswell.

I understand there was some excitement for some on the road to Roswell as a Gold Wing Rider experienced a flat tire that pretty much ruined the rest of his trip. Several riders tried to assist, but the tire would not cooperate and eventually the bike had to be towed. The group I was in made a wrong turn and ended up adding about 80 miles and another 90 minutes to our trip to Roswell, but we arrived in plenty of time to end up having lunch with a group of riders (most of whom were determined to visit Carlsbad Caverns) and, since I had won the 50/50 the night before, I was able to treat the whole group. We even had time to tour the UFO Museum (pretty much what you might expect I think) and get a few souvenirs.

After the group headed for Carlsbad left, there were just 5 riders left in our group and, despite the late hour, we determined we were going to stick to the planned route so we could take a ride through Cloudcroft, NM. This turned out to be a fun and very scenic ride (peak elevation for the entire trip at 8,650 feet), but costly for one member of our group who was accused of speeding (we don't think she was) and received a rather unrealistic fine. The upside was, according to some locals, the average fine in that area is about twice what she received so, at least there was that.

Once through Cloudcroft, the next goal was to try and get to our hotel rooms in Las Cruces, NM before it became dark (or at least pitch black). While we all arrived safely, thanks to GPS and despite high winds crossing the southern end of the 3,200 square mile White Sands Missile Range, it had been pitch black for about 45 minutes by the time we arrived at our hotel rooms (somewhere around 8:30pm).

The plan then was to go to dinner (I don't even know where that was – some Winery I think) but, while a few riders headed there in case the main group was still there, the rest of us headed for our rooms and I called Dominoes Pizza who

rescued me with a piping hot pepperoni pizza and some fresh, hot, cinnamon twists. I was able to convince a fellow rider (Thanks George) to help me "not waste food" and then turned in for the night.

The days total ride (including a wrong turn) came to 475 miles (I'm told ... it seemed longer).

Day 3

There was a plan for day 3 that included an hour north on I-25 then turning west to take back roads through the White Mountains to Safford, AZ for lunch. I don't know if anyone did that part of the ride our not as we had a group in Carlsbad, another group from southern California that needed to get home, and a few others that were just ready to head back to Phoenix by the fastest route possible (which happened to be Interstate 10).

For some reason, I had a feeling that I needed to get home, to northern AZ, by a faster route than through the White Mountains and my good friend George, who really wanted to stick to the planned route, decided he would stick with me instead. We did 2 hours west down Interstate 10, then turned off onto some of the best roads I have been on in Arizona. On the way we met up with another group headed the same way (and a third group that had stop to visit "The Thing" exhibit along the highway passed us along the way), but eventually George and I ended up heading from Safford to Globe by ourselves.

The last part of the trip was equally gorgeous although quite hurried as I received some news on that road that a family member was being rushed to hospital (it turned out to be a false alarm thank God). Was that the reason I wanted to go the shorter route? No idea, but I was certainly glad to get back to my mountain town with everyone safe and sound.

Riding for day 3 was 402 miles. Total trip mileage was 1,332 miles.

I certainly hope everyone else had an enjoyable and SAFE ride home and I really can't wait to do it all again next year.

The end?



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Bonneville Motorcycle Speed Trails 2018

By BikerNet.com

So Speed Week has come and gone at the Bonneville Salt Flats, but for those of us only interested in the two wheel variety of speed freak fun, the Bonneville Motorcycle Speed Trials are just starting.

For me this is a bittersweet return. After many years away from what I have become to know as a second home, I am back among old friends and family. The salt conditions are, as many folks have reported, the best they have seen in ten years. With the weather report looking clear into next week, it would seem that each of the 250-some registered riders are poised to smash the record books.

With the track set up complete, we spent the day watching all the riders shiver nervously as they stood in line for tech inspection. Scrutineering, as it is called, is run by Drew Gatewood, and he has broken many hearts at the Speed Trials over the years; exactly what I am hoping doesn't happen to me this year.

You see, I am on a spiritual journey of sorts; one that will complete a giant circle in many ways. Me and the guys with Grease & Gears Garage built a bike

called War Pony on stage at the IMS shows last year. The plan was to show up here, and run it for a time slip. But this bike has so much more history than that... In fact, it was the bike that built Cycle Source Magazine. After 240,000 miles of scouring the countryside for content, carrying my own mother's ashes here to Bonneville and Racing in the first Hoka-Hey Challenge and taking my honeymoon on it, a buddy totaled the "Black Pearl" and it would seem its story was over.

Enter Paughco with their bitchin FXR frame, the one that accepts the Twin Cam touring driveline. Seven IMS shows later, we were on our way back to the salt. With a killer engine that Danny and Zipper's Performance put together, we turned a 114 in the eighth mile at Baker's Drag Day in Sturgis. Not bad at all. With some confidence built up, we headed out of the Black Hills and set our sights on a bona fide run on the Salt.

Now, at that point I knew that I couldn't run on the International course for any record. The bike has an open belt primary, and the rulebook clearly states that will not pass. But—and this is one of the coolest parts that BMST has over Speed

Week—the Run Whatcha Brung Class. Held on the short course, it's a way that anyone can get a taste for what it's like to make a pass at Bonneville.

Ahh my saving grace, surely the RWB Class will have a more lax set of rules so I could run the War Pony. Well dear reader, after talking to Drew it seems that the "no open primary rule" does apply to RWB as well, and as I write this from the edge of the salt I am still unsure if I will get to run this year, but we are working on a solution at this very moment, stay tuned.

In the meantime, I immediately shifted gears as I was reminded that you never know who you will run into at this meet. Of course the standards like Jay Allen, Santa Claus and all the boys at Buell Brothers Racing, but how about the fact that I am pitting beside the one and only Pete Hill and his beautiful wife Jackie. What an honor. And any night you can find most people taking refuge from the days heat at Carmen's Black and White. The walls on this place alone are worth a visit as you walk down the halls of Bonneville history with each passing panel of photos and posters.

With a week left in my plight to get the War Pony on the track I have been invited by Drew and the Buell Brothers team to take their "Experience Bike" down the track. This is a program they run to give people a free ride on the salt. All you need are boots, leathers, gloves and a helmet of your own and they take care of everything on the bike end. Pretty sweet deal.

Pete Manning was a welcome face for sure and in spite of not having the Bub Seven streamliner here, he had to come out. We talked at length about the crash in Australia at nearly 350 mph and the condition of Valerie Thompson, the driver who escaped any serious injury from that wreck. Pete tells me that by next year, both Valerie and the Seven will be back at BMST to give it hell.

All in all it seems as if the perfect conditions are set to meet the perfect weather and some of the longest standing records may fall this week at the Bonneville Motorcycle Speed Trails. Until I have more Intel, this is your Bikernet embedded reporter... Out.

—Chris Callen

BIKER BELLES in the BADLANDS

From BikerNet.com

Every Tuesday during Sturgis Rally is Biker Belles Day. It has been my most important day since I was asked to help with the event over 8 years ago. It was founded by visionary Toni Woodruff, of the Buffalo Chip, as she wanted to create a place for women riders to celebrate, bond, share, and get to know other women riders.

I call her a visionary because 10 years ago when this event began, there was nowhere for women riders to gather during the Sturgis Rally. It has now grown and gained an important event position, inviting all women.... riding themselves, or as a passenger... in any mode of transportation they choose. Men are also invited to show their support for the fastest growing population of new riders in the motorcycle business.

This year, Biker Belles celebrates its 10-year anniversary. I am proud to say, I am now a part of the team who organizes and puts the event on...and Toni gave me the title of AMBASSADOR...a title I take quite seriously all year long in my quest to make sure all people know about the ride and get enthusiastic riders to attend and people to donate products, services, or themselves to help make this event a success.

I was so pleased to see in attendance, actor Tom Berringer, World's Fastest Woman on Two Wheels and Hall of Fame Inductee, Valerie Thompson, Hall of Fame Inductee, Marilyn Stemp, Author and 91-Year-Old Rider, Gloria Struck, and TV personality, builder, and former mayor, Jessie Combs.... to name a few of the great personalities joining us for the day.

The beautiful Tuesday began this year with all of us gathering at the famed Buffalo Chip's Crossroads, complete with morning goodies provided by Bonafide Foods treating us to their gourmet "donut wall" and organic fruit parfaits, along with Black Rifle Coffee Truck. Ingredients for a great start to a great day!

A hearty catered luncheon was provided along with a wonderful symposium with 4 great and inspiring women, Valerie Thompson, Marilyn Stemp, Alisa Clickenger, and Leah Misch led by a very engaging Jacqui Van Ham. Each personality was accompanied by a slide show of their visual props showing highlights of their stories.

For our second year now, I love to brag that our escorted ride takes us from the Crossroads at Buffalo Chip through the gorgeous Black Hills and canyons, led by our superstar mother-daughter duo, Laura Klock and Karlee Cobb. The FUN part about the ride is that your feet never touch the ground with the law enforcement escort.

We are all driven to make this event a huge success each year ... proceeds we raise with all the components (entry fees, retail sales, hair and massage donations, silent auction monies, and sponsors) will provide donations to our two designated charities. They are Sturgis Motorcycle Museum and Helping with Horsepower. We are quite proud to be able to make the donations of thousands of dollars through the years and this year will be no exception. At press time we are still calculating the exact total of monies raised.

The ride lands at the Deadwood Resort where the party continues. Riders and friends are able to partake in some retail therapy, get a chair massage, and hair braided or trimmed by professionals in the TEAM DIVA Comfort ZONE. We also had a fabulous silent auction with donations that ranged from jewelry, art, motorcycle products, apparel, home goods, etc. Every year the choices are even better with a wide variety and so appealing to those generous bidders.

I have attended many events through the years, even put my own charity ride on for four years, and I have to say... because of the commitment of Buffalo Chip and Toni's team, and all the donors, and all the participants, this event has staying power and will always be a fun and enriching way to spend the gift of time with like-minded people during the Sturgis Rally. We hope to see even more next year. THANK YOU TO ALL who participated, and promise it will be even better next year!

Participants are also treated to a goodie bag filled with meaningful and exclusive items for a terrific party favor. WRANGLER gave a gift card to all those registered for a free pair of jeans.

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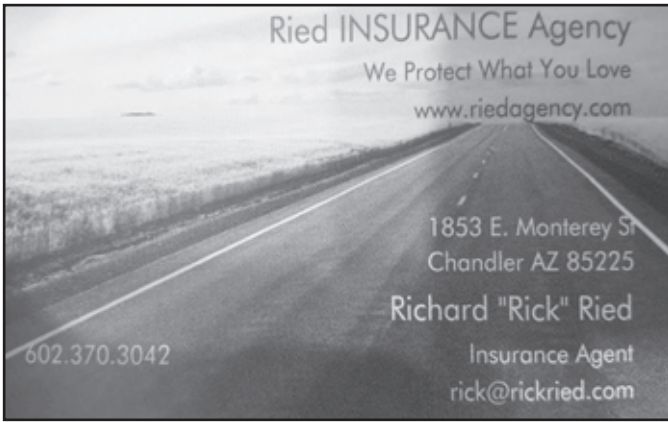
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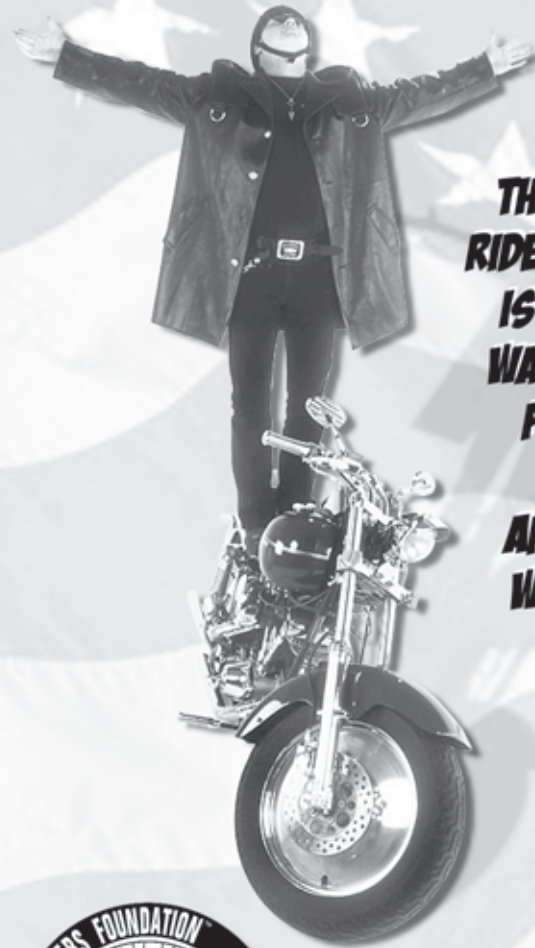


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Three-Dom Bike Show at The Buffalo Chip

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From my first meeting with Teresa from First Gold Gaming Resort, I knew this was going to be more than a Bike Show but, also a day of some incredible stories behind the trikes. This is the first year that Teresa and the Buffalo Chip have teamed up to do such a show. Teresa is seasoned at doing these shows, just the first one for the Buffalo Chip. As I stated, I knew it would be a day of amazing stories. Most people do not ini-

tially choose to ride a trike. They usually have had a love of riding and a life of experiences while riding and life has taken some type of a turn that has made them choose to ride a trike over not being able to experience the wind in your face again. I myself have a hip replacement and always know if there ever comes a time in life I can't stabilize two wheels, I will move to three. I would not let a complication like that stop my love of riding.

There were 4 different categories: OEM Division, Conversion Division, Custom Division and Peoples Choice. As the trikes started to roll in, I wondered which would be the winners. The trikes were as different as the ones riding them. From paint on them to the conversions of them to the functionality of them, it was a great time watching the entries.

By the time registration closed, there were 16 trikes. Not bad at all for a first event of this sort here. I started hearing the stories of the trikes and what they meant.

Very inspirational stories. One lady road over 1000 miles to be here, one gentleman was a Veteran and triple amputee!

The one that touched my heart the most was the trike of a gentleman that was pretty popular in the trike show arena. He built, had entered and won quite a few shows. He was looking forward to being a part of this show. He didn't make it to this show. He passed away days before. His daughter, her boyfriend and stepmom made sure the trike was still in the show!

Now, on to the winners.

OEM Division – Bernadette Adams – 2015 Harley-Davidson Free-Wheeler Conversion Division – Lonnie Blum – 2001 Harley-Davidson Sportster (Lonnie is our Veteran and also took 2nd in the People's Choice Category) Custom Division – Stephanie Komro – Homebuilt by Carey Shoemaker. Stephanie did her dad proud that day, she also took first place in the People's Choice Division. The guys Horny Mike, Shannon and Ryan from Counting Cars were great judges. After the awards were given and pictures were taken, there was a toast to the winners and Carey Shoemaker.

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