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Mike Infanzon
 Legislative Director

The Arizona Legislature has adjourned Sine Die 54th Legislature – Second Regular Session. This means that the current legislative session is done and all the bills we were working on are dead.

We have already begun planning for next session. I have sent out a link for the legislative agenda survey. We will close the survey on July 1 in order to get as many

responding to it as possible. Please encourage all ABATE members to complete the survey. This will allow us to know what the membership want to get done legislatively.

Here is the link to the survey:
<https://us15.list-manage.com/survey?u=fe18f566660d31574b17318df&id=344df34105>

We did have a good year for Motorcycle Safety and Awareness month proclamations in spite of the COVID-19 shutdown. We were able to secure 24 cities and towns to proclaim May as motorcycle safety and awareness month. We also added Yavapai County this year. Our ultimate goal is have all 190 cities and towns and all 15 counties to do this.

We were actively engaged in a tremendous amount of bills this session.

On a federal level, we were unable to lobby on the Hill this year. I

have been in contact with our Congressional delegation and staff. I have been able to meet with a few staff members in person and over the phone pertaining to some of the legislative items we are supporting.

We have also begun planning for Motorcycle Day at the Dome 2021. We should have a budget and task list completed by July 1st in case anyone is interested in helping plan for 2021. For 2020 we were able to reduce costs for the event by close to \$1000 overall while still increasing attendance from 3 or 4 years ago.

The 2020 election cycle will be in high gear this summer. Our Legislative Scorecard will be published by July 1 also. Just in time for the primary's early ballots.

Ride Free.
 Mike

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Quarterly Board meetings are held on the first Sunday in January, April, July and October at 1:00pm @ the AZ American-Italian Club, We have a new mailing address:

ABATE of AZ, 7000 N 16th Street, Suite 120 #434, Phoenix, AZ 85020

. Please make sure your Chapter has representation.

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New Mailing address 7000 N 16th Street, Suite 120 #434, Phoenix, AZ 85020.

State Officers meetings are held the 1st Saturday of every month, 11:00 am at the AZ American Italian Club, 7509 N. 12th Street Phoenix, AZ.

High Country Chapter

605 W. Arabian Way
 Payson AZ 85541

Coordinator.....**Bill Hensler**
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 Secretary.....**Amy Edwards**
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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

Phoenix-Shadow Mountain Chapter

P.O. Box 54041
 Phoenix, AZ 85078-4041

Coordinator.....**Nolan Steed**
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 Sgt. At Arms.....**Jerry Davis**
 P.A.C.....**Chris Beals**
 Communications..... Vacant
 Merchandise.....**Dee Grady**

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

Southern Arizona Chapter

6888 N De Chelly Loop
 Tucson, AZ 85741

Coordinator.....**Anissa "Dragonfly" Huntington**
 Vice Coordinator.....**Al Pesqueria**
 Secretary.....**Judi Miller**
 Treasurer.....**Dawn Detelj**
 Membership.....**Jim Butsbak**
 Run Coordinator.....**Jessica Stockam**
 Safety Coordinator.....**Darron Huntington**
 Sgt. At Arms.....**J.D. Dare**
 P.A.C.....**William Cleveland**
 Communications.....**William Cleveland**
 Merchandise.....**Jessica Stockam**

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

Yavapai Chapter

465 E Liana Dr.
 Chino Valley, AZ 86323

Coordinators.....**Dan Tumey**
 Vice Coordinator.....**Open**
 Secretary.....**AJ Killian**
 Treasurer.....**David McLaren**
 Membership.....**Suni Sommers**
 Run Coordinator.....**All Officers**
 Safety Coordinator.....**Andrew "AJ" Killian**
 Sgt. At Arms.....**Open**
 P.A.C.....**Deborah Butitta**
 Communications.....**AJ Killian**
 Merchandise.....**All Officers**

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.

Yuma Chapter

11316 S. Glenwood Ave.
 Yuma, AZ 85367

Coordinator.....**Frank White**
 Vice Coordinator..... Vacant
 Secretary.....**Mikkie Melanson**
 Treasurer.....**Lisala White**
 Membership.....**Frank White**
 Run Coordinator..... Vacant
 Safety Coordinator..... Vacant
 Sgt. At Arms..... Vacant
 P.A.C..... Vacant
 Communications.....**Carolyn Morgan**
 Merchandise..... Vacant

Yuma Chapter meets the second Thursday evening monthly at 6:00 PM at the pm. We meet at the Windhaven RV East Clubhouse, 6580 E 32nd St, Yuma, AZ 85365. For additional information contact **Frank White (Hound)** at 209-327-0814.

Mohave Chapter

1451 E. Ruby Trail
 Fort Mohave, AZ 86426

Coordinator.....**Tom Ayd**
 Secretary.....**Cynde Ayd**
 Treasurer.....**Roxanna Payntar**
 Membership.....**Cynde Ayd**
 Sergeant-at-Arms.....**Shirley Bizub**
 Run Coordinator.....**Shirley Bizub**
 PAC..... Vacant
 Communications Officer.....**Lisi Cloud Walking**
 Safety Coordinator..... Vacant
 Merchandise Coordinator..... Vacant

Mohave County Chapter meetings are held the 3rd Monday of the month 6:00 PM at: VFW Golden Valley, Post 2555, 6068 Supai Dr., Golden Valley, AZ 86413

Superstition Chapter

Coordinator.....**Marc Schultz**
 Vice Coordinator.....**Reg Vallelunga**
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 Treasurer.....**Leslie Weinel**
 Sergeant-at-Arms.....**David Pennington**
 Membership Coordinator.....**Becky Pennington**
 Run Coordinator.....**Duane Tone**
 PAC..... Vacant
 Communications Officer.....**Susan Grimmer-Potter**
 Safety Coordinator.....**Clayton Crull**
 Merchandise Coordinator..... Vacant

We meet the 2nd Sunday of every month at 2:00 PM at the Superstition Harley-Davidson, 2910 W. Apache Trail, Apache Junction 85120, in the conference room on the second floor. You do not have to be a member to attend so come on by and say hello. Riders of all types of bikes, and even non-riders, are always welcome.

Masterlink is the monthly publication of ABATE of Arizona, which is a motorcycle rights organization.

The purpose of the Masterlink is to provide you, the reader, with access to information that supports the mission of ABATE of Arizona, which is essentially to promote motorcyclists and motorcycling in a safe and positive manner through education and legislation. Anyone may submit an article or advertisement for publication.

However, the Editorial Board of the Masterlink reserves the right to exercise their discretion regarding content in the publication, which means an article or advertisement may not be published if the Editorial Board considers the material inappropriate for, or if space requirements do not allow for, publication in the Masterlink.

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

The Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF) was alerted by our contacts in the U.S. Senate regarding a proposed change to the dedicated 405 Motorcycle Safety funds in the National Priority Safety Programs that is authorized through the Highway Bill. The proposed change to this program would add another criteria for states to qualify for motorcycle safety funds. In order to qualify, states have to meet two of the six current criteria. In addition to the current criteria, the additional qualifying area would add a category for states that have a mandatory helmet law for anyone under the age of 18. While meeting the under 18 helmet law is not

mandatory to receive these funds, we at the MRF oppose any such change. We cannot allow any amount of erosion of our rights on this issue. The MRF is adamantly opposed to any federal law that would require the use of a helmet, apparel or conspicuity standard.

We are actively monitoring this situation to make sure that this staff discussion does not find its way into any draft highway bill legislation. The back-door attempt to include language that leverages a state without a helmet law for those under 18 as one of the minimum criteria may encourage some states to change their current laws to make it easier to qualify for these federal funds. In 1975, Congress enacted a law forcing all states to enact a mandatory helmet in order to receive any federal transportation funds. The MRF and state motorcycle rights organizations around this coun-

try fought tirelessly during this time for the law to be overturned. Congress flip-flopped on the helmet law by striking down the 1975 law, then reinstating it in 1991. The MRF and the motorcycle rights organizations were finally successful in 1995 by overturning the federal mandatory helmet law.

We at the MRF have already communicated with our contact that we would be adamantly opposed to any changes to the language. This potential change could be viewed as an attempt to blackmail states into changing their current laws as a way to additionally qualify for these funds. While there is not any official draft in circulation for the next highway bill reauthorization, we will continue to remain on guard against attempts to add or implement such changes.

The motorcycle safety funds were first

authorized in 2005 through the highway reauthorization known as SAFETEA-LU. The federal government began a dedicated state grants program in an attempt to reduce the number of single and multi-vehicle crashes involving motorcyclists. The program has continued to be authorized in the federal highway bill legislation and is currently still active in the current iteration known as the FAST ACT of 2015 which is set to expire in September 2020.

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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 Shirley Bizub

Hello everyone,

What a crazy time's we have had I hope everyone is safe. Hopefully Chapters are starting back up with their meeting's.

Watch for sign up on line for Too Broke For Sturgis volunteer . As everyone knows we had to cancel this year's event on the brighter side that give' s us more time to plan a bigger and better event for next year. Please sign up to help we need many

people to pull this off and I'm counting on every chapter to help pitch in .

I am traveling throughout Arizona to make appearances at all the chapters so if your chapter has changed it's time or place please inform everyone we wouldn't want to miss the opportunity of a new possible member to show up a d there is no meeting.

Remember we are all volunteers because we care about our rights as motorcyclists so before getting upset with someone remember we are giving are all to keep ABATE of Arizona

alive.

If your chapter is having run' s or event's please share your flyers. And everyone else please share your fellow brother and sista event. Let's build ABATE of AZ. Larger and better let's teach people who we are and what we are all about.

ML& R keep the rubber side down .
" Moon Shine "
Shirley Bizub

News from the MRF (continued)

Last week, we reported that NHTSA had released the fiscal year 2020 state grant totals for each of the National Priority Safety Programs. The \$4.2 million motorcycle safety grant program was divided between forty-three states and Puerto Rico. In fact, the motorcycle safety grant program only makes up 1.5% of the appropriation for this program. With over 8.5 million registered motorcycles on our nation's roadways, the federal government only spends on average \$0.49 per motorcycle.

We will keep you posted on this and other topics as lawmakers continue the process of drafting a new transportation and infrastructure package in 2020.

While we cannot host an in-person lobby day this year, the Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF) still needs advocates like you to continue to engage your elected officials to raise the profile of our 2020 legislative initiatives. In place of Bikers Inside the Beltway 2020, we still need to lobby our federal legislators on the issues that are important to the motorcyclists around the country.

We are still actively pursuing the following legislative initiatives:

Passage of H. Res 255 regarding the profiling of motorcyclists – This resolution currently has 136 bipartisan cosponsors

and identical language passed the Senate in 2018. If you are not already a cosponsor, I urge you to join your colleagues and sign on.

The continued inclusion of Sec. 4007 of the Fast Act in any highway reauthorization bill. This section prohibits funding for motorcycle-only checks points. We strongly urge that additional language be included that would prohibit funding for state and local governments that “otherwise profile and stop motorcycle operators or passengers using as a factor, the apparel they are wearing or their mode of transportation.”

Passage of H.R. 5234 / S. 3249 – These bills reauthorize the Motorcycle Advisory

Council so that riders have a voice at the table when motorcycle policy is discussed at DOT. If you are not already a cosponsor, I urge you to join your colleagues and sign on.

Passage of H.R. 5434 / S. 2602 – The RPM Act ensures the protection of motor sports against overreach by the EPA on clean air rules. If you are not already a cosponsor, I urge you to join your colleagues and sign on.

Passage of H.R. 1024 – This consumer education bill ensures that warning labels are placed on pumps of E15 warning that some motors may be at risk by use of E15.

Majoritarian Values: The Secret to Changing Hearts and Minds

Mike Infanzon
Legislative Director

Social media is usually a prime example of people failing to connect across the political spectrum. Rarely does a partisan post resonate with someone from a different party. Instances of a post changing someone's heart and mind are seemingly unheard of.

The reason for this is generally because the person who made the post neglected to take into consideration the values others hold. There are some values that every human, on all corners of the Earth, hold in varying amounts. These are called “majoritarian values,” and being aware of them is an effective tool for communicating with those who do not share your

views.

There are six majoritarian values:

- Care
 - Cherishing and protecting others.
 - Opposite of harm.
- Fairness or proportionality
 - Rendering justice according to shared rules.
- Liberty
 - The loathing of tyranny.
 - Opposite of oppression.
- Loyalty or ingroup
 - Standing with your group, family, nation.
 - Opposite of betrayal.
- Authority or respect
 - Submitting to tradition and legitimate author.

- Opposite of subversion. Sanctity or purity

- Abhorrence for disgusting things, food, actions.

- Opposite of degradation.

These are derived from something called the Moral Foundations Theory, created by a group of social and cultural psychologists. The theory states that some morals, in this case, called “majoritarian values,” can be found in societies throughout the world, and people form their opinions and views based on them.

If you can understand which values people hold most dear, and if you can see outside your own set of morals, you can effectively communicate with others who hold different views than you.

For example, if you're discussing lane fil-

tering with someone who doesn't think Americans will see any benefits, you should ask questions to learn more about their majoritarian values.

Maybe you'll find that the other person values care the most. Then, you can focus the discussion on the benefits families will see, like being able to have an exit instead of getting rear-ended at a stop light.

Or maybe you'll learn that the other person values liberty the most. In that case, you can focus the discussion on keeping government out of our choices.

Communicating across the spectrum can be a daunting task. But the important thing is to listen. Majoritarian values will show you the best way to talk about potentially tricky subjects.

THE EU ATTEMPTS TO BAN MOTORCYCLE SPORT

This is confusing, but it's not the only time someone has tried to ban motorcycles. These clips come directly from 100% Biker Magazine in the UK. “Motorcycle sport or racing could be wiped out in the UK by a European

Commission insurance directive.

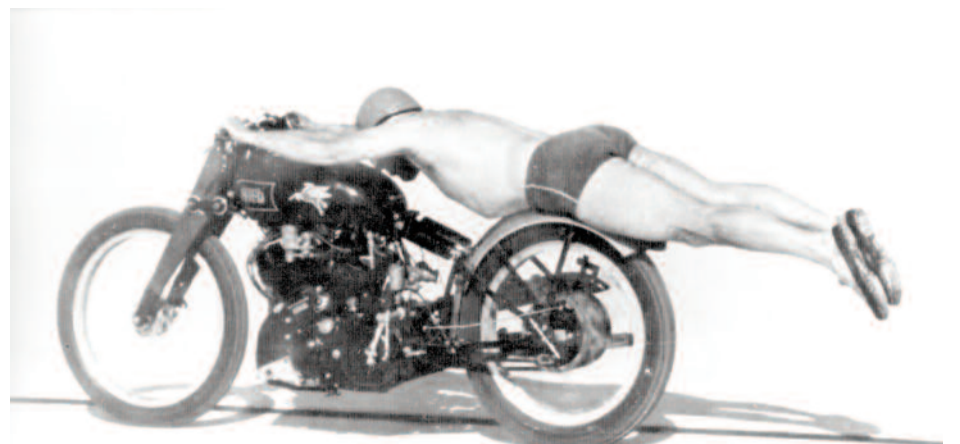
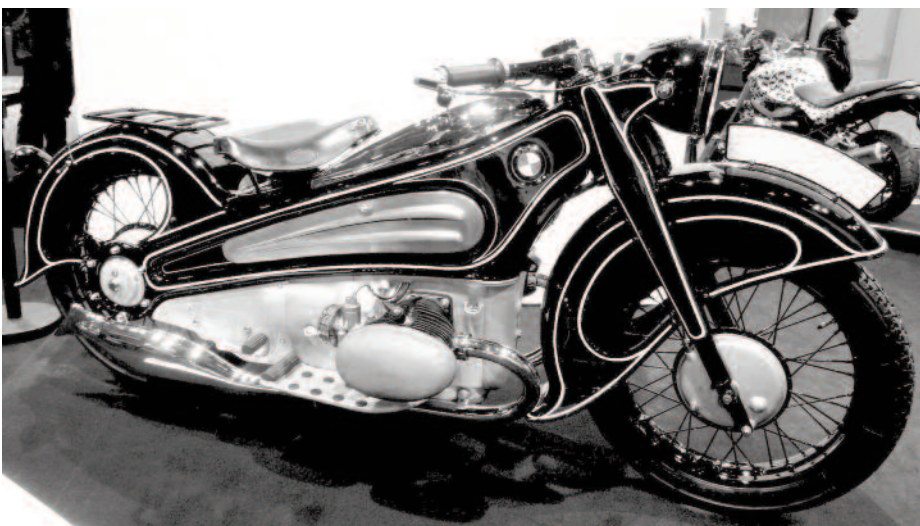
“The Motorcycle Industry Association (MCIA) is calling upon EU member governments and MEPs to reject EU proposals, which threatens to end all forms of

competitive and grassroots motor sport.

“This represents a complete U-turn for the European Commission which, two years ago, proposed to exclude vehicles not being used in traffic from the MID

and which would have made motor sports exempt.”

And finally, “Brexit probably won't make any difference to the UK insurance rules.”



Chapter Reports

High Country Chapter

There are more motorcycles than ever cruising through High Country and it makes us proud to see all these bikes. There is probably a lot of pent-up desire to get out and ride (for those who haven't been) and as our business members slowly re-open, it is a great time to come and visit. Just remember that there are just as many deer and elk running around as ever. A half-hour before and after dawn and dusk are the two worst times to be on the road if you want to avoid animals (and trust us, you do).

High Country's next event will be our annual Chili Cook-off event in October. This is the event that raises money to pay for our annual Barbie Hensler Memorial Toy Run which allows us to provide Christmas to as many deserving Rim Country children as we can.

Just like the rest of the state, with most things closed down and social distancing the new normal, there has not been much else happening to report about. Hopefully we will have some great stories for you for next month.

Remember, you always have an invitation to come and see us. If you can, drop by the Moose Lodge in Star Valley a little before 10 AM on the 3rd Saturday of the month and join us for our monthly Chapter Meeting. We would love to have you join us (meetings now re-started).

Mohave Chapter

Prior to sitting down to write this chapter report I was on Facebook and was looking at my memories, I then realized it was a year ago that we were at Too Broke. "Damn" I sure do miss being at Too Broke this year and I am sure that most of

you feel the same. It is always a great time and a good way to see all of you from the other chapters. We will just have to look forward to Too Broke next year.

Our last meeting was Monday, May 18 th, and it was our first "Biker Taco Monday", the tacos were great and we felt that the meeting was a success. Prior to the start of the actual meeting we took a chapter picture with our new Chapter banner that we made, going to ask Eric if he can post it in the Masterlink. We had a discussion about our cleanup project of a 2 mile stretch of the Bullhead Parkway, the possibility of getting a 2 mile area near the VFW in Golden Valley was brought up. Vicky, one of our members volunteered to look into this with the area of Arizona DOT. She got back to me and had the idea of a 2 mile section adjoining the Cactus Cuties (Women in The Wind chapter), doing cleanup on the same day and working together to complete the cleanup. This seemed like a very good idea and to get things rolling I sent out a group email and conducted an email vote and it passed overwhelmingly. I submitted the application to the AZ DOT in Kingman and found out this past week that we were accepted.

Until next month, ride safe and stay healthy.

Tom Aydt
Mohave Chapter Coordinator

Phoenix/Shadow Mountain

NO REPORT.

Superstition Chapter

NO REPORT.

Southern Arizona Chapter

NO REPORT.

Yavapai Chapter

We in Yavapai are hopefully like all you other ABATE chapter members- continue to self-quarantine and social distance even though the state has started to open up on our governor's direction. At the time of this writing, the State of Arizona has seen a 200%+ increase of infections in the past week. So, our chapter continues to keep the kibosh on our monthly meetings due to those local environmental conditions, and continue to use "ZOOM" to meet each month. As more of our members realize this new normal, the turnout continues to grow and a quorum has been met. We will most likely continue to meet virtually until the 'science' behind the infection shows a real decline, even if that's into next year.

It's been decided by vote we will use Meetup.com for exposure to attract new members. Benefits will be links to State ABATE website, membership/signup link, Masterlink, use to network potential business members, schedule events and communicate with members. We will also post legislative action issues as well, to help the overall motorcycle community in general know we are more about just helmet rights laws, and use the platform to educate all riders on issues affecting our riding community.

This past month meeting we were thankful to have our state lobbyist Mike Infanzon join our virtual meeting and give us an update to all the great work he and team are accomplishing. He has given us lots of good advice on advancing our chapter's goal and objectives, while coordinating and working with the

state. Keep up the great work Mike!

As a chapter as a whole, we are still advancing plans for the summer pool party in Kingman to meet with the new state president, Moonshine. We hope to finalize our plans one way or the other and RSVP by the end of June. We are considering to staying a couple nights at the AVI on the river south of Bullhead.

The Yavapai Chapter normally meets on the second Wednesday of the month at 6:00 pm (without COVID-19), at the VFW Post 541 Bucky O'Neill's at 202 N. Arizona Ave., Prescott 86301. For more information: contact ycabateaz@gmail.com or call Dan @ 928-308-9911. Dinner available most meetings at 5:00 pm put on by the host, but it would be best to call ahead.

Membership report: 67 members, 7 Business members: Barefoot Bobs, El Charro Norte, Summit 4x4, Mark's Beergarden, Mormon lake, Star island, Renegade Classics Phoenix.

Respectfully submitted-Suni Sommers, Membership Officer.

Ride Long, Ride Hard and Ride Safe - Cheers!

Andrew (A. J.) Killian

Chapter Secretary - Acting
Communications and Chapter Safety Officer
Yavapai Chapter of ABATE of Arizona
928-533-3312

Yuma Chapter

NO REPORT.

TWISTED ROAD NEWS

<https://www.bikernet.com>

Rider Success Story: Q&A with L.A. Motorcyclist, Barry V.

The sky...and the roads...have no limits for Barry since he started renting with Twisted Road. Here he shares a few things he loves about riding and some of the places it has taken him.

Tell us about your riding experience. How long have you been riding, and how many bikes have you owned? How did you first

become interested in riding?

I rode dirt bikes as a kid...many decades ago!!! I also had a Yamaha 250 motocross for a couple of years along with a Harley Davidson Fat Boy (in England). I only recently took my California rider's test and have been riding non-stop on various bikes, since then.

Tell us about your experiences with Twisted Road - as either an owner, as a rider, or both. What do you enjoy most about being part of our community?

I love the freedom of choice going onto Twisted Road and selecting the type of bike to ride that exactly fits my mood. If I want to cruise around Malibu, tear it up in the canyons, toddle around town I have the choice of hundreds of different types of bikes within a fairly small radius. Renting bikes this way erases any ownership or maintenance worries...I don't have to fork out thousands of dollars and feel regret about a bike sitting unridden, in the garage like a 150bhp ornament. I ride whenever I want on whatever I want,

stress free...that's freedom.

Twisted Road is more than just a motorcycle rental company. It is a riding community. We love to hear stories from both our bike owners and renters about their experiences on two wheels—what they have seen, eaten, experienced or who they have met. Thanks for sharing the open road with us and ride safe!

Have a great story to tell us?
Email us at blog@twistedroad.com

A WORD FROM THE BIKERNET SENIOR EDITOR

<https://www.bikernet.com>

Not only is there Covid... Unfortunately, I have some very personal reasons for this "post" and I'm sad obviously. In the hardest times in life we realize who our true friends are or the people who really appreciate us.

Unfortunately, some friends click "like" but don't read until the end because it

takes time to read this and when they see it's a little long, they follow.

I decided to share this message of support for a very special person who struggled, who taught us to live every day like it were the best day ever! Now I see those who have time to read this post until the end... (I think I'll find out).

Cancer is very invasive and harmful, even

after the end of treatment, the body continues to struggle to restore damage caused by radiation / chemotherapy. It's a very difficult and long process.

Please, in honor of a family member, or a loved one who died, and even for those who continue to fight cancer, copy and paste (without sharing) this text on your page. Then I'll know who reads it. Please write "done" so we can see the power of

unity together!

To all those who have lost someone, or are in the battle against cancer, loving hugs for each of them and their families. Here's to our loved ones with cancer!

--Rogue
Senior Editor
Bikernet.com

Policing Ourselves

One thing that I constantly hear at the chapter meeting is that we need to police ourselves and set the highest example. I completely agree with this statement, but I only hear the words, and hardly see the action. Ask yourself honestly, when was the last time you took a riders course to

kick your bad habits? Most of the member within ABATE has been riding for 20+years, which is wonderful, but how many bad habits have you created for yourself? One of the most effective ways to police ourselves is to make sure you are up to date on all the riding tips and

best practices, because how can we expect others to do the same when we haven't ourselves? I would like to see ABATE of Arizona stand out from the rest of the SMRO's as those that set the standard with leading by example. Sign up for your local BR course, share some

knowledge with other riders, and most importantly watch out for one another.

Chris Beal



Coast to Coast

NCOM BIKER NEWSBYTES
Compiled & Edited by Bill Bish,
National Coalition of Motorcyclists
(NCOM)

NCOM CONVENTION IN INDY -- BACK ON TRACK!
The 35th annual NCOM Convention, originally scheduled for Mother's Day weekend at the Marriott Indianapolis East (7202 East 21st Street in Indianapolis), is back on track, despite the COVID-19 pandemic forcing a postponement to October 16-17, 2020.

So, SAVE THE DATE and plan on attending one of the largest and most informative bikers' rights gatherings in the world, expected to draw hundreds of concerned motorcyclists from across America to "Circle City" to address topics of concern to all riders.

Known worldwide for its "Indy 500", it's a little known fact that it was motorcycles that first lapped the Brickyard's banked oval track when it opened in 1909, and it's bikers who are still setting the pace for political activism over a century later.

Some of the motorcyclists' rights movement's finest Freedom Fighters will teach seminars and lead group discussions on legal and legislative issues such as "Protect Your Rights/Probable Cause" and "Vulnerable Road Users Legislation To Protect Our Riders" seminars, with

Special Meetings for Veterans Affairs, Women in Motorcycling, Clean & Sober Roundtable and World of Sport Bikes, as well as the Christian Unity Conference and Confederation of Clubs Patch Holders Meeting. Renowned EMT Dick "Slider" Gilmore will present his "Save a Biker's Life" seminar on The Golden Hour, a must-see tutorial.

Registration fees for the NCOM Convention are \$85 including the Silver Spoke Awards Banquet on Saturday night, or \$50 for the Convention only. For more information, or to pre-register, call the National Coalition of Motorcyclists at (800) 525-5355 or visit www.ON-A-BIKE.com.

Claim your spot in the starting lineup and reserve your hotel room now for the special NCOM rate of \$129 per night by calling (317) 352-9775, and we'll meet you in the winners' circle!

'INVEST IN AMERICA' HIGHWAY BILL ADDRESSES MOTORCYCLISTS' CONCERNS
Congress moved to reauthorize the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST Act), which expires on September 30, when House Democrats unveiled the INVEST in America Act ("Investing in a New Vision for the Environment and Surface Transportation in America"), H.R. 2; a new 864-page \$494 billion long-term funding plan for the nation's surface transportation infrastructure like

highways, vehicle safety and public transit.

Included by unanimous consent during markup of H.R. 2 by the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee on June 18 are three amendments offered to bolster previous tenets contained in the FAST Act of 2015; A provision to extend the prohibition against using federal funding for motorcycle-only checkpoints would also prohibit using federal funds to profile and stop motorcyclists based on of their mode of transportation or style of dress; An amendment to require the Department of Transportation to consider motorcycles in safety studies on autonomous vehicles and would also include a motorcycle safety group in the DOT working group on autonomous vehicle deployment; An extension of the Motorcyclist Advisory Council, including a seat on the council for motorcyclists' rights groups and manufacturers.

In addition, as originally introduced, the INVEST in America Act seeks to increase Motorcycle Safety Funds to states by 25%, to \$5.8 million.

YET ANOTHER REASON TO RIDE!
Comments made by President Donald Trump during a recent roundtable meeting at the White House have prompted speculation that Americans might receive a domestic travel credit as part of a second round of stimulus payments.

On May 18, Trump met with restaurant executives to discuss the future of the industry amid the COVID-19 pandemic. During the meeting, Trump suggested a possible credit that could benefit the restaurant and travel industries, two of the hardest-hit by the Coronavirus.

"Create an 'Explore America' tax credit that Americans can use for domestic travel, including visits to restaurants," said President Trump, adding "That's a big deal."

While the President didn't mention any specified amount, U.S. tourism industry lobbyists have been circulating a proposal in Washington that would give people an extra \$4,000 in tax breaks to spend at U.S. theme parks, restaurants, hotels and other travel-related businesses, the Orlando Sentinel reports.

Details of the "Explore America" tax credit are still being finalized, according to the paper, but early drafts propose covering 50% of airfare and other travel costs up to \$4,000 through 2021.

POST-COVID: MOTORCYCLES WILL BE THE LOGICAL CHOICE
If we are to believe the so-called "experts," travelling will never be the

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ABATE IS:

- A Motorcycle Rights Organization (MRO)
- For Bikes & Riders, regardless of Race, Creed, color, sex, age, machine or gear
- For all Motorcycles regardless of Fraternal or club affiliation, as well as Independents
- For people interested in motorcycle safety
- For People interested in rider education
- For people interested in motorcycle awareness PSAs directed to non-Riders
- For people interested in protecting and promoting motorcycling
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ABATE of Arizona Serves to:

- Collaborate with other organizations to

monitor and support funding for practices that do not discriminate against motorcycling.

- Encourage political involvement of its membership.
- Promote and present motorcyclists and motorcycling in a positive and safe manner.
- 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.
- Promote rider skills training

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.

Motorcycle Awareness Program (MAP)

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

ABATE accomplishments:

- 1992** Opened HOV lanes to motorcycles
- 1993** Helped prevent mandatory helmet legislation in Arizona
- 1997** Established handlebar height elevation to shoulder height
- 2001** Established Motorcycle Safety Fund
- 2002** Established Arizona Motorcycle Safety Council
- 2004** Established veteran plates for motorcycles
- 2007** Eliminated yearly motorcycle emissions testing in Pima County
- 2007** Removed cap on Motorcycle Safety Fund
- 2013** Eliminated yearly motorcycle emissions testing in Maricopa County
- 2015** Eliminated restriction on handlebar height
- 2017** Successfully prevented mandatory helmet legislation
- 2017** Reestablished Motorcycle Safety Fund for 5 years
- 2017** Helped pass the Teen texting bill
- 2017** Helped pass the Civil Forfeiture changes
- 2018** Introduced Anti-profiling legislation
- 2018** Stakeholder for Lane Splitting Bill
- 2018** Stopped the adoption of California emissions standards in Arizona
- 2018** Helped pass "Pam's Law" - Aggravating factor for injuries to pedestrians and motorcyclists by distracted and

DUI offenders

- 2019** Anti-profiling; encouraging prevention Memorial unanimously passed 60-0 in the House
- 2019** Mandatory helmet law with fees attached defeated once again
- 2019** Helped pass the Texting while driving, prohibition and enforcement, statewide hands-free law signed by Governor April 2019
- 2019** Helped pass legislation excluding "slingshot" type 3 wheeled vehicles from class M applicability signed by Governor April 2019

JOIN ABATE NOW!

ABATE Of Arizona provides a unified voice for all motorcyclists in Arizona. Add your voice to ours. Join ABATE now, for the preservation of your ability to ride a motorcycle with the freedom that's your right!!

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Coast to Coast (continued)

same again. Even when the Coronavirus itself is under control, we have to take into account the risk of contamination or a new wave of the pandemic for a long time, if not forever. Already politicians and medical experts speak of a socially-distanced society in which we have to keep away from one another in the public space, including public transport, schools, restaurants, et cetera.

“Assuming that we will be able to travel freely soon, there will probably, at least for a period of time, be limitations to our freedom,” states the head of the Federation of European Motorcyclists’ Associations (FEMA), “Not in distance or direction, but in the way we travel as a result of the need to keep distance from each other.”

FEMA’s General Secretary Dolf Willigers concludes that the capacity of public transport, buses, trains, airplanes and the such will be limited, and we will have to switch to more individual ways. At the same time, he notes that city councils allocate more road space to pedestrians and cyclists instead of cars and commercial vehicles. This calls for vehicles that are smaller than cars and trucks, so “for personal transport and partly for goods transport, powered two-wheelers (motorcycles, mopeds, e-bikes, etc.) will be the logical choice.”

Road authorities and city councils should keep the use of motorcycles possible and facilitate the use of them by keeping roads open for them, says Willigers in calling for the creation of dedicated parking spaces and safe charging infrastructure for electric powered two-wheelers (PTW). “The use of small individual motorized transport -- as powered two-wheelers are -- allow people to travel into the cities while maintaining the needed social distance and leaving room for pedestrians, cyclists and users of other kinds of micro-mobility.”

RIDING WITH A MASK UNDER YOUR HELMET COULD LEAD TO BLACKOUTS

As an ongoing part of the government’s guidelines to combat the spread of the Coronavirus, face masks are recommended (and even required in some places) to be worn while out of our homes. However, one motorcycle-riding doctor

has spoken out against wearing face masks under full-face and modular motorcycle helmets while riding, cautioning that the material used to filter out particles before they enter the lungs could cause riders to take on too little oxygen and potentially cause them to lose consciousness.

While riding a bike, adrenaline will begin circulating through the rider’s body, elevating their heart rate and increasing the amount of oxygen the rider needs to take in. In circumstances such as this, the restrictive nature of a surgical type face mask could prevent the rider from taking on enough oxygen and potentially lead to the rider passing out.

“Surgical masks restrict your breathing,” explains Dr. Tommy Lim, a rider and surgeon, warning that this can be fatal at high speeds when your adrenaline kicks in. “Adrenaline will cause your heartbeat to double depending on your speed. This, in effect, will make you breathe faster and these masks will restrict your breathing and give your heart a hard time. Next, your brain will also suffer due to lack of oxygen until you black-out.”

HARLEY-DAVIDSON TAKES A STAND AGAINST RACISM
Harley-Davidson Motor Co. has made an unprecedented stand against racism and bigotry in the aftermath of the George Floyd protests, taking to social media to make the statement that racism has no place at the Milwaukee firm and that H-D stands shoulder to shoulder with those people protesting against racism and bigotry in any form.

America’s most famous motorcycle maker recently posted on their Instagram page that; “Racism, hate or intolerance have no place at Harley-Davidson. We stand in solidarity with our Black colleagues and riders, as we condemn acts of racism and bigotry of any kind, and move forward together toward an equitable society for all. United we ride.”

“BIKER GANGS RIDING TO SEATTLE TO FIGHT ANTIFA”
In mid-June, “news” started circulating on social media platforms that the Hells

Angels and Mongols were riding together “on their way” to Seattle, Washington, to scrap with Antifa, or anti-fascists, in the city’s Capitol Hill Autonomous Zone (CHAZ), a so-called “cop free” area that was set up by protesters amid widespread rioting against police brutality and racial injustice.

This incendiary hoax was supported by little more than unfounded tweets and unrelated years old YouTube videos, but no evidence was ever provided to support this claim, and Sonny Barger of the Hells Angels has issued a statement refuting these rumors in a Facebook post on June 13, 2020, in which he wrote: “People have asked me about these fake articles involving the Hells Angels and another club going to face antifa. Stop, it’s untrue and will never happen.”

In light of such fake news abuzz across the Internet, the National Coalition of Motorcyclists (NCOM) would like to invite all concerned motorcyclists to sign up for our free NCOM Biker Newsbytes, a trusted source you can turn to for fact-based reporting and current news items of interest to all riders. Simply send a “subscribe” e-mail to NCOMBish@aol.com.

MISSOURI HELMET LAW ON VERGE OF REPEAL

Once again, Missouri motorcyclists are hopeful for major changes to the state’s mandatory helmet law after legislators recently approved a massive transportation bill that contains a provision that would allow most adults to ride without a helmet, but they must be at least 26 years old and have medical insurance and proof of financial responsibility. The state’s Senate and House approved the legislative package; now it’s up to the state’s governor to give his final stamp of approval.

Representative Jared Taylor (R-Nixa) told Missouri.net that Governor Mike Parson (R) promised he’d sign the measure that is now sitting on his desk, but Parson’s spokeswoman says while he has “indicated he is supportive of this issue, but like always, there will be a thorough bill review to see what else is in the bill.”

The new rules also restrict police from pulling over helmetless riders to check f

they have the required health insurance.

The motorcyclists’ rights organization “Freedom of the Road Riders of Missouri” (FORR-MO) supports the repeal effort and has lobbied the perennial issue annually at the Capitol for more than 25 years, successfully getting a bill to their governor on multiple occasions since 1999.

At least three Missouri governors, including GOP Governor Parson, have vetoed helmet repeal legislation in the past. Governor Parson vetoed a broad bill in 2019 that included a helmet repeal, though the governor’s objections were to a different part of that overall bill.

If Gov. Parson approves the current proposal, H.B. 1963, the changes will take effect August 28, 2020.

AUSTRIAN NOISE BAN WOULD EXCLUDE LEGALLY-SOLD NEW MOTORCYCLES

Officials in Austria have enacted a ban on motorcycles that emit noise above 95dB on a popular scenic tourist route through the mountains of Tyrol, and several top-selling motorcycles will not be allowed to operate on more than 100 kilometers within the resort area.

The debate over noisy motorcycles has been brewing around the world, but now even bikes that pass strict Euro standards will be barred from the road, including brand new models from Kawasaki, Aprilia, BMW, Ducati and KTM, which all register noise levels just above the limit.

Frustratingly, the ban only covers motorcycles, while noisy cars are not included, but the law will give police the authority to carry out spot checks and hand down 220 euros (\$246 USD) in fines.

QUOTABLE QUOTE: “If you know the enemy and know yourself, you need not fear the result of a hundred battles. If you know yourself but not the enemy, for every victory gained you will also suffer a defeat. If you know neither the enemy nor yourself, you will succumb in every battle.”

~ Sun Tzu (544-496 BC), Chinese Military Strategist, authored “The Art of War”



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ABATE of Arizona Chapter Meeting Times and Locations

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 Nolan Steed, steednk@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 Butsbak (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/>.

Yuma Chapter

The Yuma ABATE chapter meets the second Tuesday of each month at 6:00 pm. We meet at the Copper Miner Restaurant, 11375 S Foothills Blvd 85367. We would love to see you there.

Mohave Chapter

Mohave County Chapter meetings are held the 3rd Monday of the month 6:00 PM at: VFW Golden Valley, Post 2555, 6068 Supai Dr., Golden Valley, AZ 86413

Superstition Chapter

We meet the 2nd Sunday of every month at 2:00 PM at the Superstition Harley-Davidson, 2910 W. Apache Trail, Apache Junction 85120, in the conference room on the second floor. You do not have to be a member to attend so come on by and say hello. Riders of all types of bikes, and even non-riders, are always welcome.

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AMSAF Continues to help the Community be safer

It's been a difficult time for everyone with the virus. Individuals and family's out of work, staying at home and in some cases we're seeing some folks in the hospitals. We want to thank all the Essential Workers. Thank you doesn't seem enough for everything they do.

AMSAF has continued to stay busy. Our Helmet assistance program is growing and we want to thank the dealers that have signed up for this program. Along with the AMSAF Financial Assistance program, these dealers are discounting your helmet by 25% off of MSRP. They want to help save you money and a huge thank you to these dealers.

www.amsaf.org/helmets

The motorcycle training Scholarship program has continued and we're helping to get a number of folks into schools. There

are six (6) MSF/MVD Certified schools in Arizona. Check them out on price and location to you. What's the best fit for you? www.amsaf.org/scholarships More scholarships to be available the first Monday of September.

In both cases our goal is to help save the motorcycle community money on a full face or modular helmet and on motorcycle training. We believe in both cases we help promote safety and awareness and help reduce crashes and fatalities.

May was Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Month. Here are just a few things we did for that month and continue to do all year long.

- We will have billboards up that say "Help reduce Distracted Driving"
- Weekly Facebook safety tips
- Press Releases on Motorcycle

Safety

- Motorcycle Training Scholarships for the month of May
- Helmet Financial Assistance program to help you get close to 50% off of DOT Full face or Modular Helmet
- Don't forget about our "Share the Road & Riding for the Long Haul" event scheduled for October 17 2020.

We want to thank the individuals who have responded to our surveys and for your separate emails or letters thanking us for what we do. As a nonprofit a thank you is very much appreciated. Again our goal is to help save you money and help you be safer and more aware when riding. Two take a ways from the surveys:

- We didn't know what we didn't know by taking the motorcycle training course
- The Scholarship helped me and

my family financially. Without this support, we might not have been able to take the course.

I also want to thank the Governor's Office of Highway Safety for their Grants to help us. We couldn't do what we do without their financial support and support of our other partners and donors who help us to make it happen.

Please be safe and stay healthy. We care and are here to help you.

Mick Degen
Executive Director
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Too Broke for Sturgis 2021 Committee

Duane "Disco" Tone, State Events Officer, is calling for volunteers.

All those who wish to serve on the Too

Broke for Sturgis 2021 Committee are asked to attend.

First meeting will be:

Date/Time: July 20th, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.
Location: AZ American Italian Club (AAIC) 7509 N. 12th Street #200, Phx., AZ 85020

At this time, unsure if call-in conferencing will be available.



Harley-Davidson's gyroscope patent app would help new riders not drop their bikes

<https://blog.bikernet.com>

by Kyle Hyatt from <https://www.cnet.com>

The system would fit inside a top case and be easily removable from the motorcycle.

So, the thing is about motorcycles is that even the light ones are real damned heavy and that means that keeping one upright — particularly as a new rider — can not only be tough, it's also intimidating.

Harley-Davidson — makers of definitely-not-lightweight motorcycles — believes that it has a solution to this and it's kind of ingenious. According to Cycle World, Harley filed a patent application for a type of gyroscope that would work at very low speeds to keep the bike upright and make the bike a little easier to sling up when dropped.

The best part is that this whole gyroscope deal is designed to fit inside Harley's already-existing top case, so you don't need to build it into the motorcycle —

something that would drive up cost and complexity — and which also means you can remove it once you feel more comfortable with your motorcycle.

Like all gyroscopes, this one works by using an electric motor to spin a heavy weight around really fast (like between 10,000 and 20,000 rpm), and that motion imparts a stabilizing effect on the motorcycle at low speeds. The gyro would shut off at speeds over three miles per hour because as you begin moving faster, the motorcycle's wheels start to offer their

own gyroscopic stabilizing effect.

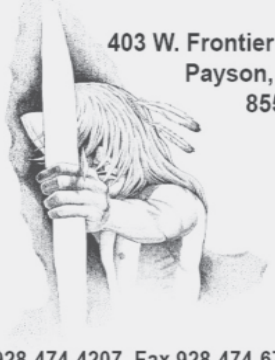
Also cool is that this wouldn't necessarily be limited to one bike. As long as you had a power source and a way for the unit to detect vehicle speed, it would work. Now, precisely what something like this would retail for is hard to say, but if it's coming from Harley, we expect that it wouldn't be especially cheap, if it ever comes to market.

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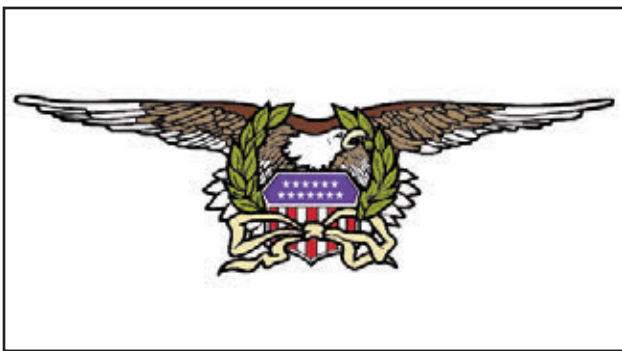
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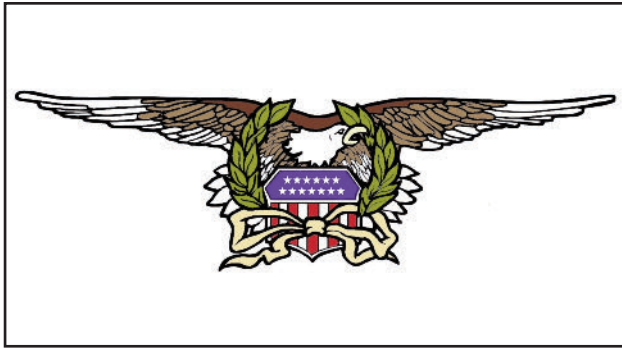
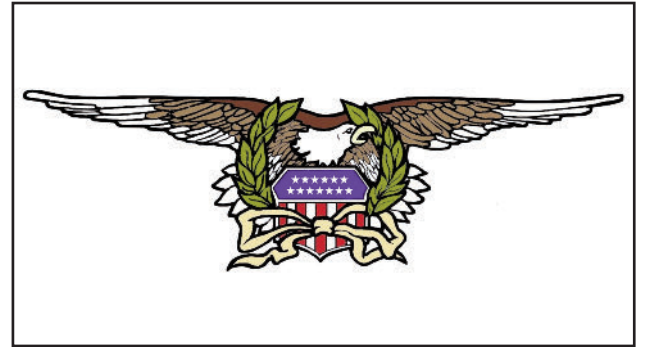
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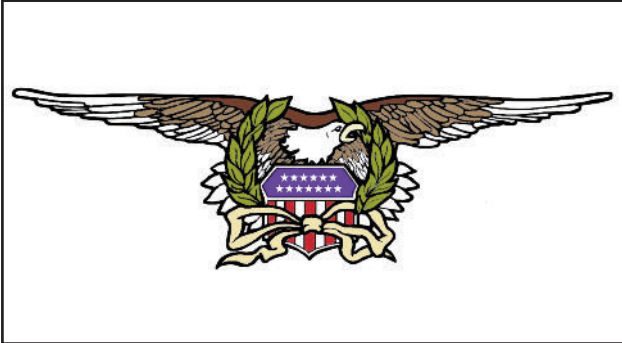
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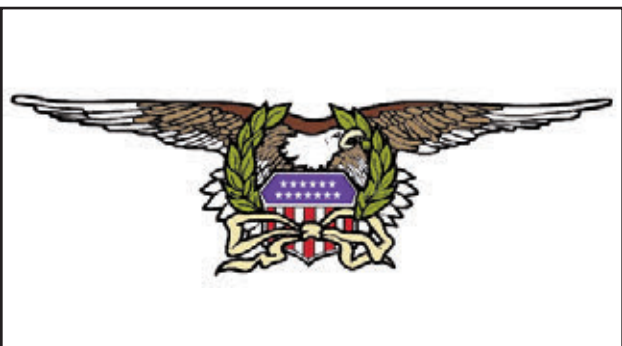
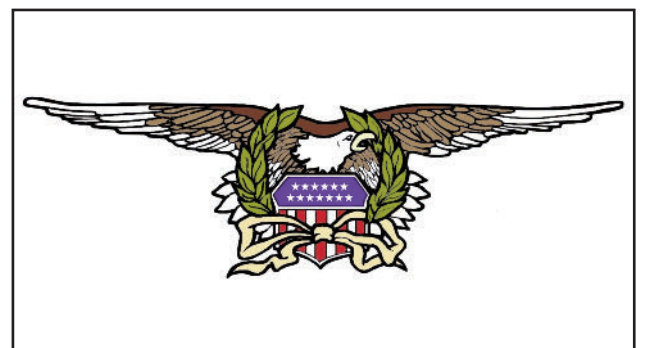
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9/4 {Fri} Motorcycles on Main Bike Night in Downtown Mesa from 6-10pm. Live Music, Beer Garden, vendors, & more. Park & show your bike. Eateries open.

Every first Friday between September & June. Vendors call Courtney 480-890-2613

AMA NEWS BRIEFS

In Hawaii police on the island of Hawaii are increasing enforcement against dirt bike and ATV riders who are using public roadways. State law requires all motor vehicles on public roads to be properly registered.

other motorized vehicles from using a stretch of Poland town property to cross Route 26 failed in a vote by the Select Board, according to a report in the Sun Journal.

Hampden without proper registration or safety certification. They were riding with permission from the owner on her property. They were fined by Environmental Police.

and UTV routes throughout the county, adding 28 additional routes that allow for the off-road recreational vehicles to be on county highways.

In Maine an attempt to prohibit ATV and

In Massachusetts four teens were fined \$750 each for riding dirt bikes in

Wisconsin the Sauk County Board of Supervisors voted to expand the ATV

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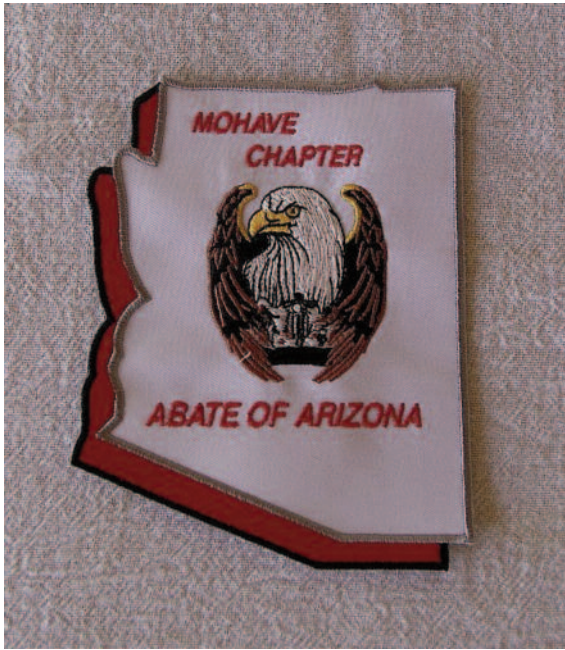
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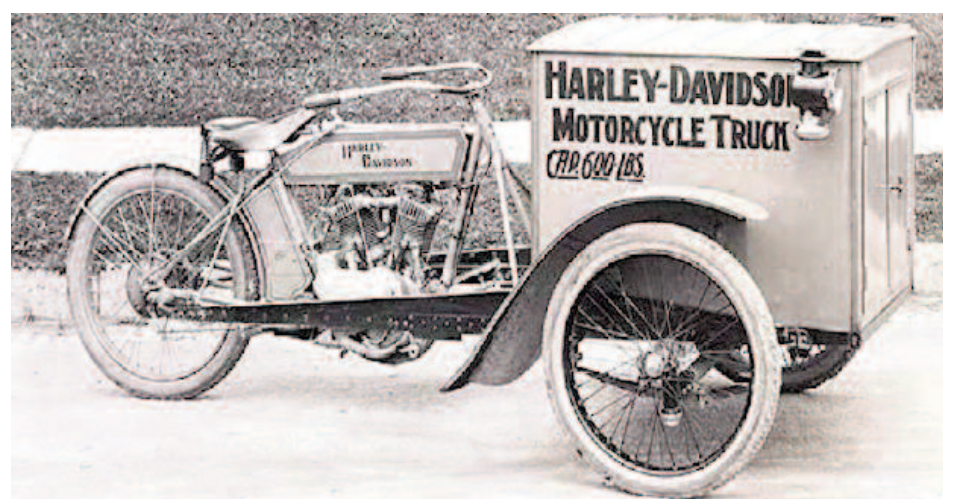
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STURGIS 2020 IS ON!

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The Sturgis Council of Generals had a vote last night. From one source the vote went down to 7 for and 2 against opening the rally gates. Another source told me the Council was reviewing five or maybe seven, hold it, could be nine opening options. Rumor had it, they were going for option three. The whole greasy enchi-

lada played out on facebook last night, so let us know if you heard anything else.

According to one reporter in the fields of South Dakota, the Council doesn't really have much sway whether the rally rocks or not. At one time they attempted to control the name until the courts took it away from them this year. Now you can print any Sturgis 2020 T-shirt you like. Bottom

line, the biker world is coming to Sturgis for the Rally and no one can stop them, except the Governor. From all accounts the Governor of South Dakota is very cool.

Here's the latest from an inside source: Rally is on. Vendor licenses will be approved. There will be no City sponsored events but anything else can hap-

pen. And of course the town of Buffalo Chip is hosting eight bands and is wide open.

So, be safe, be careful and healthy and promise not to bring any Covid to South Dakota. Some Bikernet staffers are heading out later this week.

-Bandit



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From The Board Room



By Woody Phillips – Chairman

With life slowly starting to return to some semblance of normalcy, it is important to remember that the Coronavirus is still out there. Please be mindful of other members as you restart

meetings. Some of us with, or who live with, people with pre-existing issues will want to keep their distance and wear masks. Please respect their wishes as we don't want to lose anyone to this damn disease.

Hopefully this Masterlink finds everyone well and getting in some great riding. I know that the weather has been absolutely perfect for great rides in the High Country even if a little hot during the day in the low lands like Tucson and Phoenix. I have always believed that our members in Mohave must be hardier than the rest of us so I am just guessing that they are tearing up the highways out west as well. Which brings me to my main point this month.

Arizona is a VERY big place. Riding from

Yuma to my home in Strawberry takes over 5 hours. I once rode 900 miles in a day and never left the state! We have every imaginable type of road, landscape and environment, and, we have every type of member. We have active members, retired members, members with very little time, members with a lot of time. We also have members from every economic situation. And we have members with every flavor of philosophy, religion, and politics. While all this diversity can, on occasion, lead to difficult relationships, we need to remember that no one is forced to be a member of ABATE of AZ. Every member is here because they looked at our stated mission of free rights and safe roads and said "I want to support that".

This diversity leads to many different ideas and approaches to solving our leg-

islative and safety issues in the state, and indeed nationwide. So, it is important to keep in mind, as we come out of the shut-downs caused by Covid-19 and start meeting again, that ALL ideas come from the same place - support for the mission.

Please be safe and well. I hope you have, or have had, a Happy and SAFE 4th of July.

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AMA NEWS BRIEFS

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In Hawaii police on the island of Hawaii are increasing enforcement against dirt bike and ATV riders who are using public roadways. State law requires all motor vehicles on public roads to be properly registered.

In Maine an attempt to prohibit ATV and other motorized vehicles from using a stretch of Poland town property to cross Route 26 failed in a vote by the Select Board, according to a report in the Sun Journal.

In Massachusetts four teens were fined \$750 each for riding dirt bikes in Hampden without proper registration or safety certification. They were riding with permission from the owner on her property. They were fined by Environmental Police.

Wisconsin the Sauk County Board of Supervisors voted to expand the ATV and UTV routes throughout the county, adding 28 additional routes that allow for the off-road recreational vehicles to be on county highways.

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What is a Young Activist? A Young Activist is a person between the ages of 18 and 30 who has expressed an interest in, and devoted time and energy to their chosen passion involving motorcycling. Motorcycle Riders Foundation Awareness & Education, Inc. (MRFA&E) would like to be able to present this award to a Young Activist this year. But we need candidates.

In addition to the age requirement men-

tioned above the successful candidate for this Scholarship also needs to be nominated by the SMRO. The young person must be a member of that organization and have a valid motorcycle endorsement.

The nominee must also submit a minimum three hundred (300)-word essay on why biker's rights are important to them. A well written essay from the heart is like a picture or blueprint of who the candidate is; coming directly from the candidate, this gives the MRFA&E Board of Directors a better perspective of the individual.

After all the work what does the winning nominee(s) receive?

- One-year membership to the Motorcycle Riders Foundation, Inc. (MRF), effective the first full day of the MRF's MOTM Conference during the year of the award.
- Travel Expense paid by MRFA&E to the MRF's MOTM.
- Hotel accommodations at the MOTM. Accommodations will include the hotel room only. Telephone, food, movie rentals, etc. will be the sole responsibility of winning candidates.
- MOTM registration and banquet fees are paid by MRFA&E.
- Special recognition at the MRF's MOTM. Said recognition will include a plaque, presentation of one-year membership in MRF, and other items or activities as approved by the MRFA&E Board of

Directors.
• Award winner needs to be available to assist MRFA&E at the MRF's MOTM conference.

What is the time frame? All nominations with the application and essay must be submitted along with a Young Activist Scholarship Fund Nomination Form no later than July 15. You can find the nomination form at www.mrfae.org.

If you have questions contact: Paulette Korte secretary@mrfae.org

Submitted by Deborah Butitta, MRFAE Chairman

FEMA's NEWS UPDATE

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This is a news update from FEMA, the Federation of European Motorcyclists' Associations.

FEMA's mission is to promote riders' interests, to defend riders' rights and to protect and preserve motorcycling throughout Europe and globally.

Why banning 'loud' motorcycles will not work in Tirol

FEMA's Dolf Willigers looks at motorcycle bans in Austria, and points out some flaws in the research that led to some drastic consequences for motorcyclists. From 10 June 2020 to 31 October 2020 some well-known roads in Austria will be

closed to all motorcycles with a registered standing sound emission of more than 95 dB (A).

Is there finally a safer alternative to cable barriers?

Let's not fool ourselves: no crash barrier is really safe for motorcyclists, but smart designers are able to think of barrier systems that could improve motorcyclists' safety. FEMA talked to Roberto Impero, general manager at SMA Road Safety, the Italian company that developed and produces the Andromeda barrier, a so-called 'smart barrier'.

FEMA supports the motorcycle industry's call for European help

The motorcycle industry wants to be able to sell Euro 4 bikes after 31 December 2020. ACEM, the European Association of Motorcycle Manufacturers, has asked the European Commission to extend the time to sell Euro 4-compliant motorcycles because of the COVID-19 situation. FEMA supports this request.

Motorcycles will be the logical choice after Coronavirus

If we have to believe the experts, traveling will never be the same again. Even when the COVID-19 virus itself is under control, we have to take into account that the risk of contamination or a new wave of the pandemic for a long time, if not forever. For personal transport, powered two-wheelers will be the logical choice

after Coronavirus, says FEMA's Dolf Willigers.

Thank you to all the motorcyclists that have made a donation to FEMA recently. We are very happy to see that so many of you support our work for European motorcyclists.

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Kings Day Toy Run 2020

<https://quickthrottle.com>

By Perry and Traci Nelson

Looking for a charity to help children who have next to nothing? Here is your chance. A coloring book, a set of jacks, a doll, or even an old bike you rarely use is gold to these kids. Word got out this year in this low income section of Puerto Penasco that the Three Kings were stopping by a local church. Presents for every child, young or old. The Three Kings this year were in the form of local motorcycle

clubs, local businesses and Rally-goers from the 2019 Rocky Point Rally. Toys stored away, and brought by the day of, for the 2020 Kings Day Rally.

It is always an emotional day for everyone seeing the expressions on the children's faces when they are receiving a toy, any toy; it seems it really doesn't matter what kind of toy they get as long as they got one. Instantly most kids started playing with their gifts from the Three Kings. The motorcycle community did not let one kid down this 12th day of

January, 2020.

This year was extra special because we had four bicycles and some more expensive gifts like remote control toy Jeeps and quads. The organizers auctioned these off after the line of close to 1,000 kids all got their smaller gifts... That's right; about 1,000 of some of the sweetest, most well behaved, and grateful kids you could imagine.


We met a four-year-old deaf girl; she was playing with some oversized jacks, spin-

ning them like tops. This little girl was having the time of her four-year-old life; such an exciting event for her. She flashed us an "I Love You" in sign language that could break an old biker's heart. I know this because, feeling the struggles she must be going through, she broke mine.

Being a part of this event was a truly heartfelt experience from beginning to end. Traci and I will be here next year without a doubt.

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Blue Collar Build Off

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By Rob Borden

Perhaps no one has enjoyed their quarantine more than the handful of teams that were selected to participate in this year's Blue Collar Build Off... Now in its fourth year, this low-budget bike building competition brings in teams from all over the country, and it just keeps getting bigger and better every year. The founder of this competition, Rob Borden, openly admits that this year was by far, his favorite one yet.

"Due to the health concerns of Covid-19, we had to scale the event way back. Normally, the BCBO is held in conjunction with our "West Coast Rendezvous" event, which is open to the public and this year was scheduled to go on during the same dates as the Laughlin River Run. We were expecting great masses."

"Obviously the River Run got cancelled, and we held on to hope as long as we could, but in the end, the health concerns did not lighten, as we hoped they would, so we had to postpone the WCR also. Now, we were faced with the BCBO build teams that had spent the last thirty days busting their asses, building their bikes, and they wanted to show them. They didn't even care if we had toilet paper or not."

Rob said, "How do you tell these teams to stay home, and forget about it for this year?" So, he told the builders, "There is no event, but if you guys still wanna come, the gates will be open for you. Just spread out your campsites at least 30 feet apart, and practice safe social distancing

[legal disclaimer, LOL]."

The outcome was amazing... Wasn't a huge crowd... No band, no vendors, no big anything, really. Just a handful of like minded, old school bikers having an old school biker time reminiscent of something in the 60's or 70's.

So, why was it Rob's favorite, so far? "I didn't have to run around the ranch all day everyday. I didn't have to be the party host... I was just another party goer. I got to hang out with everyone. Sit around the campfire, get to know everyone and immerse myself into the party. I loved it."

Friday morning was dedicated to the Builders' Ride. We rode from the Saddle Sore Ranch [Golden Valley, AZ], up Route 66 eastbound to Hackberry, where we stopped for photos and a break. On the way to Hackberry, we stopped at a railroad tunnel that held a special significance to me, and all of the teams left their mark there as well.

Saturday morning, we rode from the ranch, out to Cool Springs and then down the ten-mile stretch of Route 66 known by bikers worldwide as the "Mohave Rattlesnake". 222 curves in just ten miles. This brought us to the old mining town of Oatman, AZ. Only a handful of people were there. The only thing open was the General Store. We hung out there for a little bit, then turned around and did the Mohave Rattlesnake in the opposite direction, as we made our way back to the Saddle Sore Ranch.

Friday night at the ranch meant another

unforgettable campfire party... We talked about each team's journey to the ranch, the rides, and the build off. What the build off meant to each team, what their biggest challenge was, and what they learned this year, that will help them for BCBO 2021.

Saturday night's campfire party ended up having live banjo music, beer pong, an adult version of a huge Jenga game, and racing some laps. Although plagued with generator issues Saturday night, it was just proof that we didn't need any sort of big production. Everyone there was perfectly content to just be there. From wherever they came... And that there was no place they would rather be than at the Saddle Sore Ranch.

Barrie, our big, fluffy, adorable, shit-kickin' security guy/party host whipped up a big cast iron pot of chili, and it was damn delicious. He was later seen dancing by the fire, wearing a cowboy hat and a smile. However, he probably doesn't remember that. LOL.

Artist and model, Chey Alexandria was onsite, and took the opportunity to paint one of our VW buses all up in true hippie fashion. She did a fantastic job, and is currently working on the second one. Peace, love, flowers, dancing bears, and more... We love them. She later posed on some of the bikes, at the builder's requests too.

Troy Bensinger, travelling moto journalist and photographer for several publications was also onsite. Look for great things to come from him.

Any form of a "schedule" was thrown out the window when the big event was postponed, so we just kind of rolled with it. And it could not have turned out any better. Judging was done, and Ace Cycle, from Reno, NV took home the Cleetus award; Falling Rocks, from Minnesota, took home SSR Favorite; Scodes MC, from So Cal, took home 2nd Place Metric; Hack Motorworks, from Lake Havasu City, took home 1st Place Metric; Illinois Tall Boys, from Illinois, took home 3rd Place Harley; Boogaloo Crew, from Oregon, took home 2nd Place Harley; and Dysfunctional Veterans, from Missouri, took home Builder's Choice, 1st Place Harley and Best Of Show.

This year's Blue Collar Build Off was sponsored by Quick Throttle Magazine, Samson Exhaust, Red Rock Harley-Davidson, Legal Ride, Motorcycle Tire Center, Hogs & Heifers Saloon, Biker Atlas, Midnight Oil Fabrications, and the Saddle Sore Ranch.

This year's LOST & FOUND: 2 sets of keys, one cell phone, 3 blow up dolls found in compromising positions, a tie dyed pipe, pocket knife, a cantelope wearing lipstick, and a photo of some people doing some things, in some positions that will confuse me for the rest of my life. Thank you all for the great times. Hope to see you again at the West Coast Rendezvous which has been postponed until October 16-18. More info at www.WestCoastRendezvous.com

For more information on the build off, or to sign up your team for next year, visit www.BlueCollarBuildOff.com

Mad Hatter Performance: The Baddest Shop You've Never Heard Of

<https://quickthrottle.com>

By Justin James

With the current state of the world, it was hard to envision how the 2020 Blue Collar Build Off would turn out. It is difficult enough to build a bike in only thirty days under a budget constraint of only \$1,500 without the world being shut down. Despite the added challenges brought on by Covid-19 this year, the build teams all somehow managed to kick it up a notch and produce the best work this competition has seen in the four years it has been going. At final judging, the team that made the biggest statement was the Dysfunctional Veterans/Mad Hatter Performance Crew, last year's defending champions. I was able to lock down Geoffrey Morgan, owner of Mad Hatter Performance for a few questions about his little shop that has been dominating the Blue Collar Build Off.

JJ: Describe Mad Hatter Performance and the type of craziness that rolls out of the shop.

MHP: MHP is a full-service fabrication shop in Saint Robert, Missouri. We do metal artwork, customs cars, bikes, trucks, race cars, tractors, trikes and anything else that needs taken from sucky stock to crazy and wild.

JJ: Coming off back-to-back BCBO championships, it is safe to say the Dysfunctional Veterans team knows the ropes of the competition. What would you say is the most challenging part of building a bike on a \$1,500 budget in only thirty days?

MHP: We know how to win. We live the KISS theory and we know that time management is the hardest part of the build-off. You need to have the right team members. They need to know their roles and they need to be able to handle issues quickly and proficiently. Most importantly, they need to know the vision and desired outcome of the build. We have that in our team and that is why we have come out on top two years in a row.

JJ: Many builders out there tend to stay within a certain style or build around the same platform over and over. That is not the case with Mad Hatter now, is it? Word has it you may have an upcoming build based off a Kawasaki Ninja powertrain. I have also heard you will be coming back to the BCBO next year to try and three-peat your championship. Can you give us a little teaser on that?

MHP: We have our own style. We will take things we like from different styles or blend styles and incorporate it into our bikes. We are capable of building anything and we never do the same bike twice. A teaser... BCBO 2021 will see the Dysfunctional Veterans/Mad Hatter Performance team again. We are going for a three-peat and our fourth time being on the podium. 2018 was 2nd in H-D, 2019 was 1st in H-D, Best of Show, 2020 was 1st in H-D, Best of Show and Builders' Choice. We are tossing around a Kawasaki-based build that is nothing at all like what you have seen us build before. Our team has owned the Harley class, winning everything there is to win, and have nothing left to prove. Time to turn the page and dominate the non-Harley class as well.

JJ: Are there any upcoming shows, rallies, or events where MHP's work can be viewed?

MHP: MHP bikes will be at rallies in MO and in surrounding states. This Covid-19 mess has a bunch of events canceled and/or rescheduled. We do know we will be at Summerfest in Rolla, MO in June, and Street Vibrations in Reno, NV in September. We don't just build polished bikes that get pushed around for shows. You will most likely see our bikes riding in poker runs, charity runs and at rallies, being ridden and enjoyed.

JJ: Aside from Justin James (haha), who is your favorite person in the custom bike game, past and present?

MHP: Indian Larry is a builder I looked up to. I like his demeanor and his outlook on life. Live, take risks and enjoy it. Closely following him is Billy Lane. I feel Billy is humble and down to earth. He has a keen eye for choppers and things that are different.

JJ: You know I like to cause a little ruckus, so let me ask a question aimed at doing just that. If you could challenge any of the big-name builders to a build off, BCBO or wide-open showdown, who would they be?

MHP: Who would I call out and for what? My pocketbook says stay away from an open build, but I feel my team and our bikes would stand toe to toe with anyone's builds and beat some. I would call out Billy Lane for a BCBO. I feel he is probably the only well-known builder who could complete a build like this within budget and really understand the

mission. I do not think any of the others could even fathom a budget build like this or complete it. It is harder than you think... oh wait, you have found that out two years in a row, Ha!!! MHP is a one-man show until build-off time when my team is here. I do not have the corporate sponsors, a huge shop or deep pockets but, I feel my bikes are as good if not better than many I have seen from the "famous" guys. I am not knocking them, but my bikes are meant to ride and draw attention. They are not meant to be placed in a showroom, ride in trailers or take three hours to get ready for a ride. MHP bikes are built to hop on, ride and be enjoyed.

As you can see, the Mad Hatter Performance crew can knock out an impressive bike for \$1,500 in thirty days. What is even more impressive is the fact that Geoffrey also had his hand in this year's 3rd place bike. Geoffrey invited Brian Patrick of the Illinois Tall Boys team to come down to his shop so Brian would have some help and be able to compete this year. The photos do not do either of these bikes justice. I hope you all get the chance to see them in person. If you come across Mad Hatter Performance at a show or rally walk up and say Hi. Geoffrey would be more than happy to let you check out his bikes, take pictures or even sit on them.

Tinker, Shred, Destroy, Repeat -Justin James (follow more of my Tinker shenanigans on Instagram @justinjamemoto)

New Mexico: Motorist Sues After Police Conduct Prostate Exam For Failure To Signal

<https://www.thenewspaper.com>

An innocent motorist may pursue his lawsuit against hospital personnel who, at the direction of police, conducted a "digital rectal examination" after he was pulled over for allegedly failing to signal a turn. The New Mexico Court of Appeals last week gave a partial green light to Timothy Young to go after the Gila Regional Medical Center (GRMC) doctor who conducted an invasive bodily search on behalf of the Hidalgo County Sheriff's Department.

Deputy Javier Peru stopped Young in Lordsburg on October 13, 2012, claiming the man's blue Dodge pickup truck failed to signal a turn. During the stop, the deputy asked for consent to search the truck. Young agreed, as he had nothing to hide. After a team of deputies searched for two-and-a-half hours, they came up empty.

"This is the part that, I'm like, ah, I feel there's something in here -- but where?" Deputy Peru said, as recorded on his body camera.

The officers decided to bring in a drug dog to sniff the truck. Deputy David Arredondo asked Young whether the dog would alert on his truck.

"I don't know what the dog is going to do," Young replied. "If you want it to I guess it could."

The dog did alert, so the officers strip searched Young, and again came up empty. So the officers obtained a warrant to search the truck, though they incorrectly claimed the warrant also authorized a body cavity search. They went to the hospital and told the on-duty emergency physician, Doctor Bryant Beesley, that they believed Young had swallowed drugs

and they had a warrant to conduct an invasive exam to find them.

Beesley "skimmed through" the warrant and did not check the details, believing the officers were telling the truth. Young pleaded with the doctor, saying he was not carrying any drugs, but the doctor proceeded. The search found nothing, and a subsequent x-ray also found nothing. After seven hours, Young was released and later the hospital billed him \$814 for the exam.

Young has already received \$925,000 in compensation from Hidalgo County, but he wants \$707,000 from the doctor, who had been shielded from the lawsuit by a lower court judge.

Young's lawyer pointed out the doctor cannot claim immunity for his conduct on behalf of law enforcement because there was no warrant for the invasive bodily

search he conducted. The three-judge appellate panel agreed.

"An attending physician is required to learn the constitutional requirements of invasive body searches," Judge Briana H. Zamora wrote for the appellate court. "For this reason, a reasonable physician should have known that a manual rectal cavity search and abdominal x-ray were unconstitutional unless authorized by a valid, particularized warrant."

The appellate judges concluded that the case should be sent back to trial to sort through the conflicting testimony about what the officers told the doctor about the warrant. If it can be shown that the officers directly and specifically told him the invasive exam was authorized, then Beesley could escape liability under the ruling.

Ohio Supreme Court Eliminates Need To Prove Laser Gun Accuracy

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If a machine claims a motorist was speeding, he must have been speeding, according to the Ohio Supreme Court. The justices ruled 6 to 1 on Wednesday that there is no longer any need to prove the accuracy of a radar or laser speed measuring device in a court of law.

Joseph G. Rodojev brought up the issue of the accuracy of the LTI 20/20 TruSpeed S laser gun -- a controversial device from a brand that was for a time banned in Hawaii (view Hawaii Supreme Court ruling) and had its potential for misreadings exposed in the media and court documents overseas. Rodojev had been accused of speeding in Brook Park on May 17, 2017.

At trial, the court just assumed the laser gun reading was accurate without taking judicial notice of previous findings or hearing any expert testimony. Rodojev did not present a

strong case arguing the known inaccuracies of laser speed measurement. Instead, he argued against the admission without foundation of the most vital evidence in a speeding offense case. This allowed the high court to point to its 1958 ruling admitting the scientific principles underlying radar and conclude that laser guns are based on the same form of 'speed equals distance divided by time' formula.

"We are satisfied that the scientific principles underlying laser speed measuring devices are sufficiently reliable and hold that the results of a laser speed measuring device are admissible in Ohio courts without expert testimony establishing their reliability or the court taking judicial notice of the scientific principles underlying that technology," Justice Melody J. Stewart wrote for the majority. "Other substantive challenges to the results of a laser speed measuring device -- including challenges involving the angle at which the officer held the device in rela-

tion to the targeted vehicle, the device's accuracy-validation algorithms, the device's calibration and maintenance schedule, and the officer's qualifications to use the device -- implicate the sufficiency and weight of the evidence, not its admissibility."

Any challenge to the weight of the evidence may only be made on a "case-by-case basis," the court concluded. Justice Sharon L. Kennedy blasted her colleagues for their reasoning.

"The majority makes a policy determination to make it simpler for the state to make its case against defendants charged with speeding offenses," Justice Kennedy wrote. "Because the majority gives the state a free pass on one of the most essential parts of proving its case for a speeding offense -- the reliability of the device that produced the results that will in effect determine the defendant's guilt or lack of guilt -- I dissent."

Justice Kennedy argued that the general principles underlying laser speed measurement may be well established, but that does not mean that any particular device is actually using those principles correctly.

"A laser speed-measuring device registers a number on the device's screen, and if the number is high enough then the vehicle's driver can be charged and convicted for violating the law," she wrote. "There is no logical connection between the number that appears on the screen and a person's observation of a moving vehicle. Without an expert's explanation of how a particular speed-measuring device works, we have no reason to trust that the number on the screen is an accurate determination of a vehicle's speed or that the device's results are reliable."

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Grand Canyon North Rim

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Well, another 4th of July has now come and gone. As well as celebrating the birth of our nation, it also usually creates a good opportunity for an extended ride. Since my birthday was July 6th, Mrs. C. called this my birthday weekend and said we could do what ever I wanted to do. So while that is a wide open offer, I opted to use the long weekend for an extended ride. Imagine that.

Even though I had the opportunity to go anywhere I wanted, there was one place that we had visited briefly before that had been calling me back. A couple of years ago we had ridden up to the North Rim of the Grand Canyon, but it was just kind of an in, and right back out type of visit. We really didn't get to explore any of the other roads in the area or see too much at that time, so my brief encounter with the North Rim had left me wanting more and this would be a good weekend to get reacquainted this geological marvel.

Whenever anyone mentions the Grand Canyon, the South Rim is usually what they are referring to. It is the closest to the Phoenix area, the easiest to get to and the most often visited by far. In fact, of the 5 million visitors to the Grand Canyon every year, only about 10% make it to the North Rim. But as far as I'm concerned, those 90% are missing the real beauty of the Grand Canyon. The North Rim is much more beautiful in my opinion. It seems to be enhanced by more erosion which creates more of a 3D look to the canyon versus the "big ditch" look of the South Rim. The views of the sub-canyons seem to be more inviting, affording much more for the eye to see and the mind to process.

The view point at Point Imperial, on the North Rim, is the highest overlook on either rim at 8,803 ft. making it a much cooler place to visit especially during the summer months. Another aspect that makes the North Rim visit more appealing to me is that there is much more vegetation than the South Rim due to the increased rain in the area. And best of all, you can enjoy the North Rim without the traffic jams and elbow to elbow congestion at the viewpoints. You can freely walk the area and feel like you are truly away from it all.

And now for some water cooler trivia. Did you know that it is only 12 miles from the South Rim to the North Rim as the crow flies? But it is 215 miles to get there by paved roads? Or you can take the 21 mile hike through the canyon.

Our trip started on Thursday, July 1st. Mrs. C. had a meeting in Flagstaff early Friday morning, so we decided to ride up on Thursday evening, spend the night, do the meeting and hit the road from there to the North Rim. Good plan on paper, but what we didn't factor in was the 116 degree temps that we would be riding out of town in. Yes, it was extremely hot, but by the time we had gone about 40 miles to Sunset point, it was all the way down to 105 which seemed like a real cooling trend. Of course we had plenty of water with us, and made a couple of stops along the way to drink water and stay hydrated. All in all, it wasn't as bad as you might imagine. We knew it would be getting cooler each mile that we traveled. When we reached Flagstaff it was 80 degrees, making it a 36 degree drop in just 2.5 hours.

The next morning we headed Northbound on Hwy. 89 for 110 miles to the junction of 89A. This is a pretty much straight stretch of 2 lane that will take you through Cameron and the Indian Reservation to just about 20 South of Page where you will head West past the Vermillion Cliffs on your way to Jacobs Lake for the turnoff to the North Rim. Some points of interest along the 89A would be to stop at the Steel Arched Navajo Bridges that cross the Colorado River. Apart from the Glen Canyon Bridge a few miles upstream at Page, this is the only roadway crossing of the river and the Grand Canyon for nearly 600 miles. There is the new bridge that you ride over and the old bridge built in 1929 that you can walk across and get a great view of the Colorado River 470 feet below. Just 1/2 mile past the bridges there is a turnoff to Lee's Ferry Rd. that will take you about 6 miles to the shore of the Colorado River and Marble Canyon. It is a very pretty ride and well worth the short time that it takes to do it.

From the Navajo Bridges you continue your ride 40 miles West that will take you from an elevation of 3200 feet past the Vermillion Cliffs and then through the pines up to 7900 feet at Jacob Lake which is located at the intersection of 89A and Hwy. 67. At Jacob Lake you can get some gas for the ride to the North Rim, have lunch in the restaurant or grab a snack from their fresh baked cookies, muffins or fudge. This is a very good place to eat.

From here you take Hwy. 67, a Ponderosa pine, fir and aspen lined byway, known as the Kaibab Plateau-North Rim Parkway,

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Grand Canyon North Rim (continued)

which takes you 45 miles from the junction at Jacob Lake to the North Rim of the Grand Canyon. The scenic byway is a one-way road, ending in a dead-end at the rim of the Grand Canyon. This is a very nice road that will feature some sweeping curves and rolling hills as you make your way to the Lodge at around 8300 feet elevation. Once you reach the Park gates, there is a \$12 cost per bike or \$25 per car. If you do a lot of riding, it is best to get a National Parks annual pass that costs \$80 for the year. This will get 2 bikes in for free at any park throughout the year. But you both have to sign the card and they will check ID. This saved us \$50 just on this trip alone and we have used it many times before.

About 3 miles before you reach the Lodge, there will be a road that will take you to Point Imperial and Cape Royal Points. It is a 20 mile ride to Cape Royal and an 8 mile ride to Pt. Imperial. from Hwy. 67. I would highly recommend doing these rides. You get some more gorgeous views of the canyon and it is a fun ride. Just beware of the tar snakes on the roads in the park. They are fresh and slippery at times.

Lodging is minimal at the North Rim. There are mostly cabins and a few traditional motel rooms. We stayed in one of the Western cabins that was excellent. It has 2 queen beds, fireplace and dressing area with 2 pine rocking chairs on the front porch. Really nice accommodations.

Lodging here ranges from \$113 to \$182 per night. You could stay at a cabin in Jacob Lake for as low as \$86.

Things to do once you get there are to walk some of the trails and viewpoints around the Lodge for incredible views of the North Rim. The only eating accommodations are the main dining room or a deli. There is also a Saloon that stays open till 10:30pm. Besides that, don't expect to be entertained much beyond the riding, the beautiful sunset and the bright stars at the canyon. But that is more than enough.

I would HIGHLY recommend planning a ride to the North Rim. You will not be disappointed. It will get you out of the

heat of the valley and have you riding mostly in the 80's with some in the upper 90's near Lee's Ferry and always over 3500 feet in elevation. Lots of different terrain changes to keep in interesting and the payoff at the North Rim is worth the ride. From I-17 and the Loop 101, it is 335 miles one way to the Lodge. Add in the 2 points and you will be at about 380 miles for the day. But it goes much faster that you think because a lot of the ride will be at speeds of at least 65-70 mph. So it is an easy day ride for sure. There is gas at Lee's Ferry, Jacob Lake and just outside the park. North Rim Park is open Mid-May through Mid-October depending on snowfall. Check with park for specific closure dates.

Road Trip

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Greetings Riders,

I hope you all took advantage of the relatively nice weather last weekend to go on the Cyclerides.com Monument Ride that I wrote about in Last Week's Newsletter. If you are looking for a good overnigher, there is still plenty of time to do the Silver City Ride that I wrote about a couple of months ago. The Coronado Trail will be awesome this time of year. Take a look at the New Page that I just did for this ride complete with maps. [Click Here.](#)

As most of you know, especially those who followed my daily pictorial on the Cyclerides.com Facebook page, Mrs. C. and I took off on July 30th for a 10 day ride through the Great White North. It was an excellent 3300 mile ride in which we were blessed with great riding weather for 95% of the trip. And for that other 5%, a little rain never hurt anyone, it's part of a day on the road. As with all of the long rides that we have taken, this one was filled with exceptional scenery, much sought after cooler riding weather and new relationships made with other riders along the way.

As I sit here trying to write this, I'm finding it difficult to transfer the reflections of my thoughts over these 10 days, into a few paragraphs in the newsletter. Imagine the experience and daily routine of living out of a T-Bag with a few clothes rolled up with a rubber band, strapped to the back of a motorcycle, pointed in a direction not knowing where it will take you, with no schedule, no motel reservations and no ending requirement for the day. This concept is so liberating, relaxing and contrary to the life we live every day, it's really hard to put into words. For most of us, we get up at the same time every day, take the same route to work, get off at the same time and reverse the route. It is Eat, Work, Sleep, Repeat. We generally live by schedules, demands and expectations

dictated by our work and family life.

There is not much better than to be on a motorcycle, riding through a place you have never been, with the cool breeze blowing past your body while your nose picks up the scent of the fresh cut alfalfa, the strawberry fields or the strong smell of fresh cut logs from that sawmill as you ride by. Being enveloped by the enormity of the mountains with glaciers hanging off of the edge, while enjoying the beauty of God's creation 360 degrees around you, living only by YOUR schedule and expectations, is about as far from the real world as you can possibly get.

Riding a motorcycle on trips like this is such and incredible experience, so refreshing to your soul, but yet so hard to explain to anyone that has not experienced it for themselves. I know there are a lot of you reading this that know what I mean. But for those of you that have not yet ventured into the carefree, leave the schedule behind type of motorcycle ride, I would highly encourage it for a way to break the mold of the daily routine and provide a boost to your mental well being. It is also a great opportunity to spend some quality time with your spouse or significant other. I can honestly say that I did not turn the TV on even one time the entire 10 days. And didn't miss it.

Some have asked how we do a trip like this. Since I am self employed and distribute my Hat Saver product nationwide, to Japan and via internet sales, it is hard to be gone for much more than a week at a time. And to maximize those days, we generally leave on a Thursday or Friday and return the next Sunday, giving us a full 10 days, but only 6 work days. Since we have limited time, to maximize our riding time in the area that we want to be, we ship the bike to the destination that we want to start from. In this case we shipped the bike to Seattle, over 1400 miles away. We used <http://motorcycle-shipping.biz>. Call Mary Lou for a quote at 800-615-3011. Cost was \$565. We then

got one way tickets to Seattle and took a cab the 7 miles to Allied warehouse where the bike was waiting. The battery was dead when it got there, but they had a battery cart to jump it and we were on our way by 11am. This is a very slick way to maximize time and start riding right where you want to be.

Since almost half the day was already gone, we wanted to at least get the 210 miles over the North Cascades National Park to Winthrop done and preferably another 100 or so if possible. It is really pretty exciting when you finally get on the bike, let out the clutch and realize that the next 10 days and 3300 miles are yours to do with as you please. We headed North up I-5 through Seattle to Scenic Hwy. 530 to Arlington where we stopped for lunch. Unfortunately, one of the first things we saw was a sign that said that Hwy. 20 was closed at Ross Trail due to an avalanche. Hmmm, not good considering that there is only one way across the Cascades to Winthrop and that is on Hwy. 20. So over lunch I called the Park and they told me that the road should be open by 4pm. It was about 12:30pm when I made the call and we were only about 80 miles away. This meant 2 things, we were almost certain we would be staying in Winthrop and we would have time for some quality sight seeing along the way.

So we took our time along Hwy. 530 following it up to Rockport where we intersected with Hwy. 20. The next 100 miles is possibly some of the finest riding that you will ever do. The North Cascades is an absolutely beautiful area with gorgeous mountains and Diablo Lake with the turquoise blue snow fed water. The road meanders and curves throughout the park, taking you past the Skagit river hydroelectric plant, dams and presenting you with one great view after as you rise up to the pass. Your decent on the North Cascades Scenic Hwy. will take you through Rainy Pass that will present you with an awesome mountainscape with a view of the road switchbacking down below. Certainly a sight that you will

remember.

We did this route about 4 years ago and specifically wanted to do it again. The pictures from this trip really don't do it justice because it was a little overcast this day, but it is an excellent ride, certainly in the top 4 or 5 routes that I have ever done. (See the link for the excellent photos from 4 years ago below) The frosting on the cake will be your stop in Winthrop. We wanted to make it further than this, but we are glad that circumstances kept us here. This is one of the neatest old towns that you will find. They have done a great job in preserving the authenticity of this old settlement. I would highly recommend the Hotel Rio Vista located within walking distance to the town. The Old Schoolhouse Brewery is a fun place to eat and usually has live entertainment on the patio. Winthrop will be another memorable part of your day.

I mentioned earlier about the camaraderie of others who are on motorcycle trips as well. We casually met a couple from Canada at the overlook of Diablo Lake and exchanged a few pleasantries. We later saw them at another overlook and waved to them again. We then ended up in the same town of Winthrop at the Old Schoolhouse and ended up talking with them and sharing routes and stories for 20 minutes as we waited for our dinner. It is just cool that you have a friend no matter where you are as long as there are other riders around.

So if you are looking to maximize your time in the area that you want to ride, shipping your bike to the start point and riding it home is a great way to go. You still get the amount of miles you want to ride, you just don't have to go through 1400 miles that you don't want to ride to get there, and save 3 days. Seattle is a great place to start as you can do routes into Canada, Victoria, or head down the coast of Washington, Oregon and California. A lot of possibilities from this start location. Next week I will be back with our cross into Canada.



Honda hit with cyberattack, US production paused at some plants

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US plant operations still remain offline in Ohio.

As Honda continues to ramp up production following an extended shutdown to curb the spread of the coronavirus, the Japanese automaker faced a new setback on Monday.

Bloomberg first reported the automaker was the target of a cyberattack of some sort, which led Honda to halt production at various plants around the world. A Honda spokesperson confirmed the cyberattack with Roadshow and said the

attack "has affected production operations at some US plants." The spokesperson added, "There is no current evidence of loss of personally identifiable information." Production has restarted at all plants save for its Ohio facilities.

According to the spokesperson, Honda is still working to restart production at its car and engine plants in the state. Honda notably builds the Civic sedan, Accord sedan and CR-V at its Ohio facilities. The Acura NSX is also made in Ohio.

As for what the attack took down, Honda didn't offer detailed information. TechCrunch reported it was a ransomware attack, meaning it would encrypt Honda's data and ask for payment before unencrypting it. Bloomberg

reported the issue affected a car inspection system. The system checks for defects before cars ship out to dealers and the factories weren't able to register vehicle information.

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The suspected attack affected Honda's production globally on Monday, forcing some plants to stop operations as the company needed to ensure that its quality control systems were not compromised.

Honda suspects the ransomware hit the company's internal servers, the spokesman said.

Production resumed at most of the plants by Tuesday, but its main plant in Ohio, as well as those in Turkey, India and Brazil remain suspended as the ransomware disrupted the company's production systems, he said.