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## LAWSUITS



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Michael Infanzon Legislative Director

As of this writing, we still do not have final election results in. I love how so many have asked for my prediction on a few races. So, I will make a bold prediction for the Arizona Governor's race. We will have a female governor whose name starts with a "K".

I do know we have a few motorcycle friendly legislators who were either elected or re-elected.

So we have that going for us.

I have completed the writing of the language for our 2023 bills. Let's see if we can get a few across the finish line this session!

Kong's Law – making it a class 1 misdemeanor when a person is cited for a moving violation in a crash involving the serious injury/death of a motorcyclist, bicyclist or pedestrian.

Failure to Yield – making this a moving violation

Vehicle Load covering – making it a law to cover any load on ANY Arizona roadway.

Autonomous Vehicles – AV manufacturers must share their safety data pertaining to motorcycles.

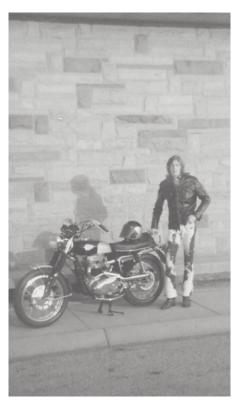
Ethanol – no sale of gasoline that contains greater than 10% ethanol.

I may add a couple more policy changes to the list, but that will depend on who is our Governor and the final make-up of the State Legislature. So we will see what we can get accomplished. Plan for Motorcycle Day at the Dome for February. We don't have confirmation yet, but we are hopeful.

Be good to one another!

Michael Infanzon

Legislative Director



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FMI contact Harley Pettit, (928) 530-2555,

harley3787@gmail.com The Coyote Pass Chapter meets the second Tuesday of the month at; Calico's Restaurant, 418 W. Beale St. Kingman, AZ 86401, 928-753-5005

#### **East Valley Chapter**

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| CoordinatorJoe Si     | ilk                     |
| email: miterangers@ms | sn.com, phone:          |
| 480-628-8598          |                         |
| Vice Coordinator      | Stacy "Liberty" Baldwin |
| Secretary             | Julie Reemelin          |
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| Safety Coordinator    | Matthew Reemelin        |
|                       | Joe Silk                |
| Merchandise           | Suzanne "Q" Jensen      |
| PAC                   | Rick "Ferg" Ferguson    |
| Communications        | Joe Silk                |
|                       |                         |

The East Valley chapter meets at 10:00 AM on the 2nd Sunday of every month at the American Legion Post 138(107 E Broadway Rd, Tempe, AZ 85282, SE Corner area of Broadway and Mill). Post 138 opens around 9a.m. and serves a great inexpensive buffet breakfast before and after our meeting. Come and hang out before or after the meeting! Riders of all types of bikes, non-riders, and non-members are always welcomed to attend!

#### **Mohave Chapter**

1451 E. Ruby Trail Fort Mohave, AZ 86426

| Coordinator             | Tom "Papa Smurf: Aydt        |
|-------------------------|------------------------------|
| Vice-CoordinatorGee     | orge "Jungle George" Payntar |
| Secretary               | Cynde Aydt                   |
| Treasurer               | Roxanna Payntar              |
| Membership              | Cynde Aydt                   |
| Sergeant-at-Arms        | Emmette "ET"Tucker           |
| Events Coordinator      | Shirley "Moonshine" Bizub    |
| PAC                     | Dennis Lange                 |
| Communications Officer  | Rebecca Morgan               |
| Safety Coordinator      | Christine Allen              |
| Merchandise Coordinator | Shirley "Moonshine" Bizub    |

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 8641

#### **High Country Chapter**

605 W Arabian Way Payson AZ 85541

| Coordinator        | Barry 'Double B' Bell MMAA  |  |  |
|--------------------|-----------------------------|--|--|
| Vice Coordinator   | John 'Irish' Goldin MMAA    |  |  |
| Secretary          | Sandra 'Jane' Bell MMA      |  |  |
| Treasurer          | Cyndi 'Dragonfly' Williams  |  |  |
| Membership         | Denise 'Spitfire' Trolinder |  |  |
| Events Coordinator | Jacque 'Daisi' Whiting      |  |  |
| Safety Coordinator | Roy 'Fatboy' Whiting        |  |  |
| Sgt. At Arms       | Bill 'Silverback' Howard    |  |  |
| P.A.C              | Shawn "Yukon" Bell          |  |  |
| Communications     | Stephanie Mikelson          |  |  |
| Merchandise        | Jeff "Darkhorse" Sauer      |  |  |
| Media              | Denise 'Spitfire' Trolinder |  |  |

Until further notice, HCC meetings will be held immediately following the MMAA meetings (10:00am) the 3rd Saturday of each month. Meeting location is Sandbagger's Bar and Grill, 2051 Silver Lake Blvd., Show Low, AZ 85901.28.537.2744

#### Southern Arizona Chapter

| CoordinatorAn      | issa "Dragonfly" Huntington |
|--------------------|-----------------------------|
| Vice Coordinator   | Jeremy Krauss               |
| Secretary          | Monica Byrne                |
| Treasurer          | Dawn Detelj                 |
| Membership         | Jim Butsback                |
| Events Coordinator | Dennis Smith                |
| Safety Coordinator | Darron Huntington           |
| Sgt. At Arms       | J.D. Dare                   |
| P.A.C              | William Cleveland           |
| Communications     | William Cleveland           |
| Merchandise        | "Tequila" Mike Howard       |

The Southern Arizona Chapter will meet the third Saturday of the month. We will gather at the Northwest Tucson Moose Lodge, 2660 W. Ruthrauff Rd., Tucson, AZ 85705 Meeting time is 10AM October through March and 9AM April through September. FMI contact Jim Butsback (520)247-3051 or jimbutsback@yahoo.com

#### **Phoenix-Shadow Mountain Chapter**

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

| Coordinator           | Nolan Steed              |
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| Phone (541) 948-9771, | email: steednk@gmail.com |
| Vice Coordinator      | Scot Williamson          |
| Secretary             | Gwen Zolber              |
| Treasurer             | Brianna Wilkinson        |
| Membership            | Mike Rudd                |
| Events Coordinator    | One T, Scot Williamson   |
| Safety Coordinator    | Ernie Lizarraga          |
| Sgt. At Arms          | Nick Wilkinson           |
| P.A.C                 | Rebecca Crawford         |
| Communications        | Nolan Steed              |
| Merchandise           | Rebecca Crawford         |
|                       |                          |

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

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465 E Liana Dr. Chino Valley, AZ 86323

| Coordinators       | Tim Thomas      |
|--------------------|-----------------|
| Vice Coordinator   | Dan Tumey       |
| Secretary          | Dixie Gray      |
| Treasurer          | Dennis Banners  |
| Membership         | Holli Woolsey   |
| Events Coordinator | Vacant          |
| Social Media       | Holli Woolsey   |
| Safety Coordinator | AJ Killian      |
| Sgt. At Arms       | Sandra Taveres  |
| P.A.C              | Deborah Butitta |
| Communications     | Angela Buchler  |
| Merchandise        | Vacant          |

Meet us at for the VFW's very reasonably priced and tasty dinner.We meet the 2nd Sunday of each month at the VFW Post 541 in Prescott - 202 N Arizona Ave, Prescott 86301. 11:00 to socialize, meeting starts by 11:00.

For more information. Contact ycabateaz@gmail.com or call Dan @ 928-308-9911. 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

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|--------------------|----------------------------|--|
| CoordinatorAlex    | R. Montez (Sidetrack) RRMC |  |
| Vice Coordinator   | Frank White                |  |
| Secretary          | Mikkie Melanson            |  |
| Treasurer          | Robin Aitken               |  |
| Membership         | Doug Kreag                 |  |
| Events Coordinator | Vacant                     |  |
| Safety Coordinator | Vacant                     |  |
| Sgt. At Arms       | Joe Toussint (Rattle) IFMC |  |
| P.A.C              | Vacant                     |  |
| Communications     | Vacant                     |  |
| Merchandise        | Vacant                     |  |

Yuma Chapter meets the second Thursday evening monthly at 6:00 PM at the pm. We meet at the community Christian Church, 6480 US Highway 95 (between 3E and Araby in the back building). For additional information contact Frank White (Hound) at 209-327-0814.

#### **EDITOR'S NOTE:**

If any of the Officers are listed here incorrectly, please send corrections to:

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I will be sure everything is accurate for the next Issue and on the web site.

## **News from the MRF**

#### The Winds of Change...

While ballots are still being counted in many races, the results on the 2022 midterm elections will have major ramifications in Washington, D.C. As of Wednesday afternoon, control of both the U.S. Senate and U.S. House of Representatives remains undecided.

What is clear is that there will be many new faces in the halls of Congress.
Nearly 100 new lawmakers will be sworn in on January 3rd when the 118th

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Congress convenes. That means almost 20% of Congress will be new to the job come 2023. Almost every state will be sending at least one new elected official to our nation's capital! our nation's capital!

The Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF) is com-mitted to working with all lawmakers regardless of party to achieve our policy goals. We can't do that with-out the relationships that you as bikers have built back home. While we strive to introduce our organization to every lawmaker on Capitol Hill, we need your help!

Do you have a new Representative or Senator? Has that new lawmaker supported biker rights in the past? Have you worked with or met these incoming freshmen? Maybe they even own a motorcycle?!?!?

Let us know if bikers have any new friends or foes head-ed to Washington, D.C.

We want to hit the ground running in January and any intel or information you can help provide us is valuable!



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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**



Greetings to all of my fellow ABATE of Arizona members. Well first of all I want to thank all the members who attended our membership meeting/party on November 12th at one of our Business Members establishment. I also wish to thank Lucy and her staff at Jakes Corner Bar for hosting the event. The setting was great as was the food and especially good was the music supplied by Building 12.

I was very happy to see that most of the Chapters were represented at this event. I would like to congratulate East Valley Chapter for winning our new traveling trophy for having the most members in attendance. So all you other chapters should start planning for next year's event to take that trophy away from them.

As I sit to write this report I am taking time to reflect on the last year that I have served you as President of this amazing organization. It has been a great experience and I thank all of you for your support and also for your patience as we went through some trying times. We have had a board of State Officers who were mostly new to serving at that level and we had a few who had to step away do to personal reasons. We are adapting and doing well. As I write this it is Mid-November and Thanksgiving is only two weeks away. By the time it is published Thanksgiving will be past and I hope everyone had a great holiday and were able to spend time with family and friends and enjoy the holiday and give thanks for all we have. I also hope that all those less fortunate were in your thoughts and prayers. There are many events during the holiday season to support our fellow man. There are many toy drives and parades, food drives, clothing drives and other outpourings of generosity that come from the motorcycling community. I see more of these types of events supported by motorcyclists than any other groups that I know of. It should make all of us proud to be involved with this community.

By the time this goes to publication all of our Chapters should have completed their elections. Our organization can only exist because of the dedication and hard work of volunteers. Without members to step up to officer positions our organization would fail to even exist. I wish to thank all of the newly elected officers in all of the Chapters around our state for all that you do and for stepping up to serve. I also would like to thank all of the outgoing officers for the time that they dedicated and all the hard work that it takes. I also want to thank the State Officers that have served with me and all the members of the Board of Directors; it takes a lot to run an organization like ours.

At this time of year most of us are attending many different events. Whether you are attending with your Chapter members or with another group or your family, we

would love to know who and what events you are supporting. Please take a few photos and write a short article about the event. Send those into the Masterlink so we may publish them. Not only do people like to see their pictures in the paper but the added publicity may help the event to grow.

Once again I would like to thank all the members of ABATE of Arizona for allowing me the honor to serve and represent you. I would like to wish all of you a very Happy Holiday season no matter how you personally choose to celebrate, may you and all of those you love and care about be happy and healthy. Happy New Year to

Ride Free! I will see you on the road!

## **State Safety Article**

By Matthew Reemelin

My name is Matthew Reemelin, for those that do not know me I ride with CMA (Christian Motorcyclist Association). I was told of the need for a state safety officer position. After being approached by a few people I have agreed to offer my assistance and expertise to the state as well as the East Valley chapter. You will probably place me best as my wife and I were on the committee for TBFS this past year and I coordinated the CMA volunteers.

I have been ridings since I was 10 years old that makes it a little over 40 years. I am blessed to ride 4 different bike at this

time. I ride an old KLR 650, a Yamaha 1100 cruser, a Honda ST1300 Sport Tourer, and a Honda 1800 Goldwing. I have ridden in 6 countries. I took my original rider safety class with Harley Davidson riders edge, then advanced rider safety in Alaska, and Ride Like a Pro here in Arizona. I am a nurse by profession and have been in some form of health care for 39 years primarily Trauma ER and OR. I have completed the Motorcycle Accident Scene Management Basic and Advanced and hope to some day teach these classes. These are some of my basic qualifications for this position.

I am a lifetime ABATE of Arizona mem-

ber and care greatly about safety and motorcyclest rights.

I hope this help you know who I am

Matthew Reemelin

So with the introduction being done I would like to give you all a few words of wisdom that I have learned over the years of riding. These are thing that I have failed to do or forgotten over the years. My family and friends will laugh because these are truly me.

Check for your keys and take them with

you

Check your gas tank

Check your tires

Let someone know the who what when and where of your travels, ie check in

These are all things that I have failed to do before motorcycle rides.

I am looking forward to sharing safety tips and recommendations to you all each month



## **Chapter Reports**

#### **Coyote Pass**

First of all, apologies for having not posted a chapter report recently. We are a new chapter and still sorting out roles and responsibilities. We've also had a little turn over of officers already. But it doesn't mean we haven't been busy with motorcycle related actions! And our previous reports were apparently emailed to the wrong state officers.

So, since nothing has been posted from us this year, we need to go back a bit. In February, we were invited to a skilled rider demonstration hosted by Officer Kyle Steele, a rider who trains law enforcement motorcyclists. Cones were set up, and chapter members were given an opportunity to participate in difficult, low-speed maneuvers. We learned a LOT!

In April we celebrated our one year anniversary (really doesn't seem that long). We also participated in Route 66 Bike Week, and event sponsored by several businesses from Needles, CA to Seligman, AZ. We supported one of our business members, Saddle Sore Ranch, a biker "resort" and campground. We helped set things up for the big bash, and organized some biker games. Unfortunately, due to the timing of the games, we didn't have enough participants to have games. Later that evening, it got quite busy, and we would have been more successful if we had timed it then. Lesson learned. Nonetheless, we had lots of fun and met a lot of people touring the area. We raffled off a beautiful quilt, donated by a local supporter and raised some much needed funds for our chapter. Route 66 has a huge draw for bikers and we expect this event to be larger next year.

In May, we joined with a local Kingman MC, the Chozen Lunatics for their fund raiser poker run. They are a great family oriented club, and they had our back last year when we held our first event. We were happy to support theirs in return.

Then there is Too Broke for Sturgis. Several members joined the festivities at Mormon lake. I, myself, helped out members of the Mohave County Chapter at the merchandise booth. Just like last year, the T-shirts were a big hit and sold very quickly.

We also took several rides with the unstructured group, "Brunch Bunch Riders". Most members of our Chapter are also members of the Brunch Bunch. We ride twice a week to various restaurants in the area, we do plenty of riding around northwest Arizona, and a little into California and Nevada.

In July, a few of us attended the "Rockabilly Pinup Christmas Show in July" being sponsored by Great American Pizza in Golden Valley. It was very hot, and because if it, there wasn't as much turn-out as expected.

Earlier in August, some of us were able to visit Prescott and give our last respects to Deb Buttita. She was an amazing person, and should be an inspiration to all of us. I know she is sorely missed by many.

On October 1st, we coordinated with a local car club "The Pharaohs", for a car and bike show. Three bikes won awards for their bikes. The winner was a vintage 66 Shovel head Electra Glide. Second place was a mid 90's Evo Soft tail with a very nice custom paint job. Third place was a vintage Honda CB360 survivor. Some members of our chapter also participated in a city sponsored bike show on the following weekend. Nobody in our chapter won prizes, but we spread the word about ABATE.

Ride safe, stay cool.

Mike "Foil Hat" Degrood Event Coordinator

#### **High Country**

The time since the last report has been a full dance card for the High Country Chapter. The proceeds from the Mountain Motorcycle Association of Arizona Pig Roast on October 15th was presented as a donation to the HCC. The following weekend we held our inaugural 'Chili Cookoff Challenge' at Sandi's Hideaway. On November 12th our chapter was well represented at the state membership meeting and a great time was had by all. Lastly, we would like to recognize Denise 'Spitfire' Trolinder our newly elected Membership Officer. She has hit the ground running with one new member, one renewal, two independent members assigned to the chapter and collecting \$200 in donations.

#### **Mohave Chapter**

Well! Yesterday, Nov. 8 was election day, I hope that everyone who wanted to vote were able to exercise their right to vote. I know that elections often do not turn out the way we wanted or hoped, what can I say but shit happens, we just pick ourselves up and move on.

Speaking of elections, November is the time of year to elect chapter officers, so don't be afraid to step up and take on a chapter officer position. Who knows we could learn something new and even help our chapter grow. Our next chapter meeting is Nov. 21, 6:00 pm at the VFW in Golden Valley. The Mohave chapter is having our Christmas party on Dec.10, 2:00 pm at the VFW in Golden Valley

Wishing everyone a Happy Thanksgiving. Until next month, stay safe and ride safe.

Tom Aydt Mohave Chapter Coordinator

#### **Phoenix/Shadow Mountain**

NO REPORT.

#### **East Valley Chapter**

Another well attended chapter meeting on November 13th at Post 138! Great presentations by our PAC and safety officers. Invited Post 138's commander to provide a briefing on the post's relocation status – Post 138's lease expires at end of January 2023 and is seeking a new "home". Post 138 is in need of funding to support their relocation efforts. Their relocation fundraiser on October 29th was a great success but more is needed please support post 138! Our chapter members present at the meeting "passed the hat" and donated \$135 plus proceeds from an old quarters jar to post 138's relocation fund. We have secured a location(we hope this to be temporary) for our February 2023 meeting in case 138 does not find a new home.

We welcome our new business members: The Monastery Bar and Grill and Hell Mary Holsters! If you visit the Monastery you will notice our new ABATE business supporter sign displayed at their entrance! Hell Mary Holsters was a vendor at this past year's too broke for Sturgis rally. They provide custom gun holsters – They have made a custom ABATE logo'd holster for purchase!

Conducted membership booths at Cider Corps and J & P cycles. Although we don't always sign people up at these events, these membership booths are providing us opportunities to get the word out about ABATE of Arizona! Our next membership booth is at American Legion Post 35 at 10a.m. on November 26th. Thanks to Cliff Prentice, Matthew Reemelin, "Q", and Rick Ferguson for helping out at the booths! Thanks again to members Clem Copolillo and Betsy Newkirk for creating the membership booth ABATE talking points script!

Thanks everyone and our sponsors for supporting our annual "Hard Ass Run" which was held on October 22nd! And, thanks to everyone for purchasing our ammo raffle tickets. Still have a few tickets remaining before we can conduct the drawing.

The State Annual membership event was held on November 12th. Thanks to our chapter members for attending - East Valley took home the largest attendance trophy (29 members attended). Will add the trophy to our collection! Thankyou Mary K and the state officers for hosting a great event!

Conducted our chapter officer elections. The following chapter members were elected:

- i. Chapter Coordinator Joe Silk
- ii. Chapter Vice Coordinator Stacy "Liberty" Baldwin

- ii. Chapter Sgt at Arms vacant
- iv. Chapter Secretary Julie Reemelin
- v. Chapter Treasurer Cliff Prentice
- vi. Chapter Membership Officer Joe Silk
- vii. Chapter Events(Run) Officer Stacy Baldwin

viii. Chapter PAC Officer – Rick Ferguson

ix. Chapter Communications Officer – Joe Silk

x. Chapter Safety Officer – Matthew Reemelin

xi. Chapter Merchandise Officer – Suzanne "Q" Jensen

xii. Board of Directors RepresentativeRick Ferguson

#### **Southern Arizona Chapter**

Southern Arizona Chapter had another successful Road Clean-up. Chapter nominations are in and we will post the results soon.

Mid-Term Elections are finished and we hope to have a date for Lobby Day soon.

If you are not currently registered for the RTS (Request to Speak) Program at the Arizona Legislature, please contact myself or Michael Infanzon. The Request To Speak program (RTS) is designed to allow the public to register an opinion on bills listed on agendas and to request to speak on a bill in a committee.

Happy Thanksgiving to all and Ride Safe!

William Cleveland

#### Yavapai Chapter

NO REPORT.

#### Yuma Chapter

NO REPORT.



## NEWS DIRECTLY FROM THE WHITE HOUSE

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White House proposes blocking sunlight to fight global warming

The White House recently announced that it was funding a five-year research plan for a controversial proposal to fight climate change by geoengineering — i.e., technologies and processes that can be used to artificially modify the Earth's climate.

This research would be dedicated specifically to a form of geoengineering known as "solar radiation management," which involves spraying fine aerosols into the atmosphere to reflect sunlight away from the Earth. The hope is that, once the sunlight is reflected, less heat will be generated, and ergo temperatures will go down. Presto: actual anthropogenic climate change! A global SPF 100, as it were!

The research reportedly will attempt to model how solar radiation management

might impact the atmosphere, as well as assess its viability as a potential technique to be employed to "manage near-term climate risk."

They're hoping to fight the scourge of climate change by blindly trying to change the climate? What is it with Democrats? They're also fighting racism with racial quotas and making race the primary consideration in, well, everything. That's working well, isn't it? Next, they'll propose fighting drug abuse by giving out

free needles and crack pipes. Oh wait, they're already doing that. Why haven't they yet suggested we combat STDs by having indiscriminate sex with as many other people as possible?

Now they're going to "cancel" the sun, without which life on Earth would be impossible? What could go wrong?!

## **Coast to Coast**

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

## AVID MOTORCYCLIST ELECTED AGAIN TO NEW HAMPSHIRE HOUSE

Delight, displeasure, or distrust, the November 8 midterms meant a lot of things to a lot of people, but for motorcyclists there was at least one bright spot in New Hampshire where longtime biker Charlie St. Clair won election to the State House of Representatives, again.

St. Clair is well known to riders everywhere as the coordinator of Laconia Motorcycle Week; "The World's Oldest Motorcycle Rally," going on 100 years!

Democrat victor and former representative St. Clair previously served one term in the State House, until this past election cycle when he lost to now-incumbent Republican Rep. Richard Littlefield in 2020, the same person St. Clair just defeated to now reclaim his old House seat!

St. Clair told The Laconia Daily Sun that once he's back at the Statehouse, he'd like to return to his previous seat on the Transportation Committee, where he can best serve his community, rallygoers and motorcyclists who live in or

visit New Hampshire; "I have a lot of questions on projects [that were] supposed to be done two years ago [in the transportation committee] and I will also be listening to the residents of Laconia and their concerns and following their direction," he told the local newspaper.

As a candidate, St. Clair emphasized placing constituents above party lines and demands, saying "I always encourage people not to vote by party but on the individual."

With record-setting voter turnout across the country, many races nationwide are still in Limbo or dispute, with outcomes determining the political direction of many states and our nation, and with Donald Trump once again throwing his hat in the Presidential ring for 2024, American politics is about to get even more interesting.

ARIZONA SENATOR CALLS FOR PASSAGE OF THE RPM ACT Since being elected to Congress in November 2020, U.S. Senator Mark Kelly (D-AZ) has proven himself to be a strong ally and defender of motorsports, and as an original cosponsor of S. 2736, the Recognizing the Protection of Motorsports Act of 2021 (RPM Act), and according to SEMA (the Specialty Equipment Market Association) he has championed the bill both publicly and

behind the scenes.

Sen. Kelly recently spoke at a Senate Environment and Public Works
Committee hearing about the importance of the RPM Act and amateur racing, noting that his wife, former U.S.
Representative Gabby Giffords, raced motorcycles on the track. "Racing is important to many Arizonans -- and it's a part of our state's legacy," he testified. "The RPM Act will help provide certainty to Arizona's amateur racers and auto mechanics from EPA regulations, which could harm their ability to enjoy the hobby of motorsport."

The RPM Act of 2021 was re-introduced in Congress last September 14 by U.S. Senator Richard Burr (R-NC), currently with 33 cosponsors, and is commonsense, bipartisan legislation to protect Americans' right to convert street vehicles into dedicated race cars and the motorsports-parts industry's ability to sell products that enable racers to compete.

Racing cars and motorcycles has remained an unquestioned American tradition until 2015 when the EPA took the position that converted vehicles must remain emissions-compliant, even though they are no longer driven on public streets or highways.

U.S. LAWMAKERS PURSUE "RIGHT TO REPAIR" CONSUMER PROTEC-

#### TIONS

Lawmakers in both the U.S. House and Senate are actively pursuing federal legislation intended to level the playing field for independent repair providers, including for motor vehicle repair shops.

U.S. Senators Ben Ray Luján (D-NM), Cynthia Lummis (R-WY) and Ron Wyden (D-OR) introduced S.3830, the Fair Repair Act of 2022, a bipartisan bill that seeks to ensure that manufacturers do not lock out owners and independent service providers from providing repairs by denying access to parts, tools, and documentation. The Fair Repair Act would require manufacturers of electronic equipment to make the same tools, parts, and documentation available to owners and independent repair providers, covering a variety of industries such as agricultural equipment, consumer electronics, medical equipment, and motor vehicles.

Similarly, Congressman Bobby Rush (D-IL), a senior member of the House Committee on Energy and Commerce, has introduced the Right to Equitable and Professional Auto Industry Repair (REPAIR) Act (H.R.6570). This legislation would ensure that vehicle owners and independent repair shops have equal access to repair and maintenance tools and data as car companies and licensed dealerships.

### Join A.B.A.T.E.

#### **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
- · A volunteer, not-for-profit grass-roots organization
- · For Motorcyclist who enjoy the ride

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Collaborate with other organizations to

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

- $\cdot$  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 Fund2002 Established Arizona MotorcycleSafety 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 height2017 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)**

Vehicle makers have long argued that they shouldn't have to share proprietary performance information, but for independent repair shops this practice makes for an unfair marketplace.

Although industry advocates for years have pushed for the right to repair, the issue gained momentum last year when President Biden issued a sweeping Executive Order directing federal regulatory agencies to take a variety of steps that would fundamentally alter the government's regulation of businesses' competitive practices.

Specifically, the order directs the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) to address "unfair anticompetitive restrictions on third-party repair or self-repair items, such as the restrictions imposed by powerful manufacturers that prevent farmers from repairing their own equip-

HARLEY HIT WITH ANOTHER RIGHT-TO-REPAIR LAWSUIT This past June, the U.S. Federal Trade Commission issued a sternly-worded order to Harley-Davidson, requiring it to honor existing right-to-repair laws, citing illegal warranty language that restricted customers from using aftermarket parts, or taking their bikes for service by anyone other than a Harley dealer. Such actions, the warranties stated, could void the owners' war-

Secondarily, the FTC pointed to the fact that the full terms of such warranties weren't fully disclosed to customers in a single document, but rather customers were directed to contact an authorized dealer to learn the full details. The federal trade agency also ordered Harley to cease this behavior, as well.

While this was seen as a positive step by many interested in right-to-repair reform within the U.S., this action by the FTC couldn't recoup the losses experienced by Harley customers who felt that they were effectively held hostage to the terms of their warranties. Thus, in August, 2022, two right-torepair class action lawsuits were filed in federal courts: one in Wisconsin, and one in California. But, as you may already have suspected, that's not the

end of the story.

Now, RideApart.com reports that on November 3, 2022, a third class-action lawsuit was filed in Chicago federal court. It claims that the Motor Company's warranty policy violates existing U.S. antitrust laws because it disallows the use of aftermarket parts. The 55-page class action complaint demands a jury trial to hear its claims, and spells out in detail the nature of both its claims and the multiple classes across multiple states (and the District of Columbia) enveloped within. It alleges that the Harley-Davidson warranties in question violated both federal and state antitrust laws, and requests unspecified financial relief for members of the Class, including payment of legal

The filing argues that since Harley makes approximately 15% of its annual revenue from parts, it is clearly in the company's best interest to maximize that revenue as much as possible including using its warranties as tools to force owners to use H-D's OEM parts. It also makes a case for how a Harley warranty can effectively cost owners an excessive amount of money.

EUROPE MOVES TO BAN INTER-NAL COMBUSTION ENGINES On October 27, 2022, the European Commission, European Parliament, and the member states, united in the Council of the European Union, reached an agreement about the emission limits for cars and vans, and following a few steps to lower the emission of the fleet, from 2035 the sale of new cars that have no zero CO2-emission will be banned in the European Union.

Environmentalists celebrated this as a victory of battery electric vehicles (BEVs) against vehicles with an internal combustion engine (ICE), claiming this means a ban on gasoline-powered engines. Consequently, this would not only affect cars and vans, but also motorcycles.

"The Federation of European Motorcyclists' Associations will resist any attempt to ban the internal combustion engine for motorcycles," stated Dolf Willigers, FEMA's General

Secretary, explaining that, "In our view, the emissions of motorcycles are already negligible and the alternatives for both fossil fuels and electricity are still in the development phase. To focus solely on battery electric vehicles the problems of air quality and climate change will just be redeemed to other, equal serious problems: the social and environmental aspects of the mining of raw materials that are needed to make batteries and the geo-political consequences of getting dependent to countries like China to acquire these raw materials and the batteries should not be underestimated.

INTERNATIONAL TREATY AGAINST FOSSIL FUELS FLOATED AT U.N. CLIMATE SUMMIT The world should confront climate change the way it does nuclear weapons, by agreeing to a non-proliferation treaty that stops further production of fossil fuels, a small island nation leader urged during the recent United Nations' climate summit in Egypt.

"We all know that the leading cause of climate crisis is fossil fuels," Tuvalu Prime Minister Kausea Natano told his fellow leaders. The Pacific country is joining with "other nations calling for a fossil fuels non-proliferation treaty Natano said citing recent climate-related disasters. "It's getting too hot and there is very (little) time to slow and reverse the increasing temperature. Therefore, it is essential to prioritize fast-acting strategies.'

The idea of a non-proliferation treaty for coal, oil and natural gas has previously been advanced by campaigners, religious authorities including the Vatican, and some scientists, but Natano's speech gave the plan a boost in front of a global audience.

WORLD'S BIGGEST BIKE SHOW BREAKS NEW RECORDS Apparently, 2022's iteration of the largest motorcycle show on the planet was a resounding success, judging by the numbers; 1,370 Brands present, representing 45 different Nations, and a 38% increase in attendance at this year's EICMA (acronym for International Motorcycle and Accessories Exhibition) hosted annually in Milan, Italy where manufacturers debut new models to crowds of over a

half million.

Given the lineup of marques, influencers and diverse ranges of advancing technology, it was only natural that the build-up of anticipation would give rise to even bigger attendance numbers.

"It is these numbers, the embrace of the general public, the massive presence of exhibitors who have emphasized their solid satisfaction and whom we thank for having always believed in EICMA," added EICMA S.p.A. president Pietro Meda. "...the attractiveness and international centrality, the positive increase in every performance indicator that affirm the unique value and indispensability of our event...EICMA unquestionably remains in its place: on the highest step in the entire international scene.

#### SUZUKI-POWERED DRONE TAKES **FLIGHT**

Ever since watching 'The Jetsons' on TV in the 60s we've been waiting for the future to get here so we can take to the skies in our flying cars, so perhaps for now we'll settle for a motorcyclepowered flying machine, as a Suzukiengined drone has been developed in Japan that can lift 150kg (330lb) and fly for up to six hours.

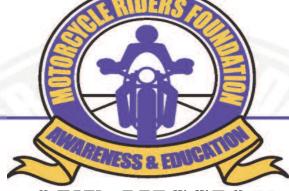
Utilizing one of the most legendary sports motorcycle engines of all time, the Suzuki GSX-R1000, the 'Kunio' AZ1000 "Super Drone" was developed by Arase Aizawa Aerospace with the concept of the vehicle being to, literally, have a flying engine, maximizing the performance of the aircraft and the payload it can carry. The motorcycle engine was chosen due to its lightweight, high-output design.

The quadcopter stands over a meter tall (3.28 feet) with a length of over three meters (nearly 10 feet), and the mammoth 55-litre fuel tank can carry the unladen 110kg (242.5 lbs) drone aloft for an impressive six-hour road trip, sans the roadways.

QUOTABLE QUOTE: "Jane! Stop this crazy thing!

~ George Jetson (b. 2022-?), Digital index operator at Spacely's Space Sprockets





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## **ABATE of Arizona Chapter Meeting Times and Locations**

The Coyote Pass Chapter meets the second Tuesday of the month at: Calico's Restaurant, 418 W. Beale St. Kingman, AZ 86401, 928-753-5005

#### **High Country Chapter**

Until further notice, HCC meetings will be held immediately following the MMAA meetings (10:00am) the 3rd Saturday of each month. Meeting location is Sandbagger's Bar and Grill, 2051 Silver Lake Blvd., Show Low, AZ 85901.28.537.2744

#### Mohave Chanter

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

#### 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 Northwest Tucson Moose Lodge, 2660 W. Ruthrauff Rd., Tucson, AZ. Meeting time is 10AM October through March and 9AM April through September. FMI contact Jim Butsback (520)247-3051 or jimbutsback@yahoo.com

The East Valley chapter meets at 10:00 AM on the 2nd Sunday of every month at the American Legion Post 138(107 E Broadway Rd, Tempe, AZ 85282, SE Corner area of Broadway and Mill). Post 138 opens around 9a.m. and serves a great inexpensive buffet breakfast before and after our meeting. Come and hang out before or after the meeting! Riders of all types of bikes, non-riders, and non-members

#### Yuma Chapter

Yuma Chapter meets the second Thursday evening monthly at 6:00 PM at the pm. We meet at the community Christian Church, 6480 US Highway 95 (between 3E and Araby in the back building). For additional information contact Frank White (Hound) at 209-327-

We would love to see you there.

#### Yavapai Chapter

Meet us at for the VFW's very reasonably priced and tasty dinner. We meet the 2nd Sunday of each month at the VFW Post 541 in Prescott - 202 N Arizona Ave, Prescott 86301. 11:00 to socialize, meeting starts by

For more information, please contact Dan Tumey @ 928-308-9911 or ycabateaz@gmail.com. See us on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/groups/yca

## **ABATE of Arizona Business Members**

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AZ American Italian Club 602-944-3090

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Arizona Confederation of Motorcycle Clubs 602-463-7886

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Sons of Liberty Riders MC

## Southern AZ Chapter Road Cleanup







## **High Country Chapter Chili Cookoff Challenge**

On October 22 the High Country Chapter held its inaugural fund raising event in the White Mountain area, 'The Chili

Cookoff Challenge' at Sandi's Hideaway. A total of 14 entries, a traveling trophy donated by Shawn 'Yukon' Bell MMAA President/HCC PAC Officer, a \$100 donation by Brian 'Radar' Johnson, a 50/50 drawing and superb planning by

Jacque 'Daisi' Whiting HCC Event Officer all helped create an occasion with awesome community participation.



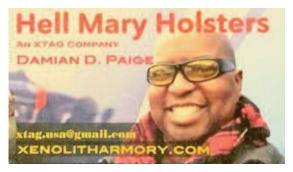






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## **AND THERE'S MORE**

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With the movement towards a net-zero carbon footprint by 2030, many companies are being mindful of CO2 emissions.

That's one reason why UK modelmaker Evie Bee turned to Garnica when creating The ElectraPly, an environment-friendly e-bike made from sustainable plywood. Evie Bee specializes in traditional woodworking and was inspired by the iconic Yamaha SR250, a scrambler bike (a light-weight bike specially designed for off-road motorcycling) when designing her modern rendition.

She wanted to construct a version as close to the look of the Yamaha as possible while being mindful of the environment. With raw materials sourced from Garnica, a leader in sustainable plantation-grown plywood from Europe, The ElectraPly was created. Garnica's poplar

plywood is an ideal choice for any transportation designs and builds as it is costeffective and lightweight with superior strength.

If you think a bike created out of sustainable plywood is flimsy, think again! Get ready to see The ElectraPly in action roads near you.

Why sustainable plywood is ideal for any design application, including transporta-

ion.

The strength and durability of sustainable plywood.

Multi-purpose plywood designs that are both eco-friendly and cost-efficient. Zenergy Communications

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## **Events Calendar**

Saturdays November 2022 { 11/12, 11/26}: Superstition HOG Chapter Ride starts at Superstition HD - 2910 W Apache Trail, Apache Junction, AZ. 85120. Come ride with our HOG Members. Meet at 7:30a, Kickstands up at 8a. FMI: 480-346-0600

Saturdays Nov-Dec 2022 { 11/19, 12/3, 12/17 }: Bitchin' Stitchin' at Superstition HD - 2910 W Apache Trail, Apache Junction, AZ. 85120 from 10a-1pm FMI: 480-346-0600

2nd Sundays: ABATE-AZ East Valley Chapter meeting ~ 10a at American Legion Post 138, 107 E 12/3 {Sat} 7th annual Troll's

Broadway Rd, Tempe. {B'fast available 9am} FMI: Joe Silk 480-628-8598, miterangers@msn.com

2nd Sundays: ABATE-AZ Yavapai Chapter meeting ~ 11a at VFW Post 541, 202 N Arizona Ave, Prescott. FMI: Dan Tumey 928-308-9911, ycabateaz@gmail.com

2nd Sundays: ABATE-AZ Phoenix-Shadow Mtn Chapter meeting. 10:30a-noon at AZ Italian-American Club, 7509 N. 12th St, Phoenix. Food & drinks available.

Teddy Bear Run. Route starts/ends @ sponsor Superstition HD. Sign-in 9-10:30am. Entry = 1 new teddy bear + \$10/pp. Benefits local Family Advocacy Centers along with local Police and Fire Departments, for children in traumatic situations. Sponsors also include Law Tigers AZ. FMI: 360-451-1795, trollsbikerworld@gmail.com

12/17 {Sat} Toy Delivery Ride with Superstition HD & Seductive Car Club to Sunshine Acres Children's Home. FMI: 480-346-0600, info@superstitionhd.com

1/14 {Sat} Superstition HD & Seductive Car Club co-host annual New Year's Car & Motorcycle Show. Details TBA. SHD 2910 W. Apache Trail; Apache Junction, Az. 85120 FMI: 480-346-0600, info@superstitionhd.com

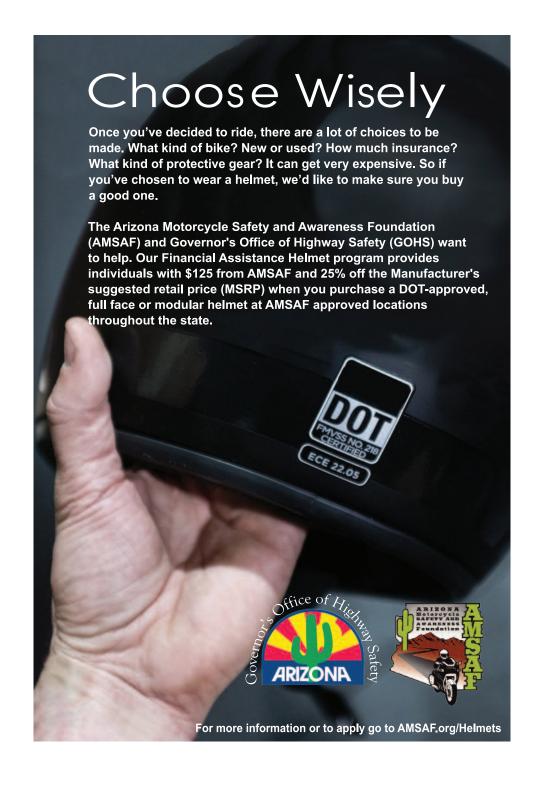
1/28 {Sat} 8th annual Ride for the Salt River Wild Horses. Sponsors include Superstition Harley-Davidson

6/8-10 {Th-Sat} ABATE-AZ's Too Broke For Sturgis.

### B.O.D. 2023 Calendar

A.B.A.T.E. of Arizona, Inc.  $\sim 2023$  BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETINGS B.O.D. meetings will be held at 1:00PM on the below dates at the A.B.A.T.E. Phoenix office located upstairs in the AZ American Italian Club at 7509 N. 12th Street, Phoenix, AZ 85020. Meeting attendance is also available on ZOOM. Member attendance is encouraged. Contact "secretary@abateofaz.org" for on-line meeting address and password info.

2023; January 7th ~ April 1st ~ July 8th ~ October 7th



The Arizona Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Foundation **Financial Assistance Helmet Program** 

## How it works

- AMSAF Vouchers are valid towards the purchase of a \$200.00 or higher DOT Certified Full Face or Modular Street Helmet.
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- · Dealer will credit individual up front at time of purchase and invoice





For more information or to apply go to AMSAF.org/Helmets

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## **AMSAF** Continues to Grow and Help the Community

Since our beginning we have continued to grow by offering Programs to the public on Education and opportunities to help make our roads safer and at the same time save you money. To that we want to THANK YOU, the Arizona Community for your support and investment in yourself by using our programs.

We offer three (3) programs:

Motorcycle training Scholarship's- the ability to attend a motorcycle training school and get your motorcycle endorsement or improve on your riding skills at a reduced cost. www.amsaf.org/scholarships

Helmet Financial Assistance- the ability to purchase a DOT full face or modular helmet at one of our authorized Helmet dealers at a reduced cost. www.amsaf.org/helmets

Accident Scene Management- This course helps you understand what to do or what not to do if your involved in a crash or come upon one at a reduced cost. www.amsaf.org/asm

You will save around 50% or more on each of these programs. In today's market and tight budgets, this is a great investment in you, your family, or a friend. Please take advantage of these programs if they apply to you or share this with others

As mentioned at the beginning we have continued to grow in helping the community and we have treated our nonprofit organization as a business. In doing that we have been able to attract individuals with business background and individuals who have no hidden agenda other than helping you the community to be safer. We have been so fortunate in the team we have that they really care about you and want to help Arizona be safer with less crashes and fatalities.

Currently, we are looking for additional Board members with a business background and want to be part of AMSAF in helping to reduce crashes and fatalities. Look at our website to see all the area's we participate in and what we do. www.amsaf.org . Here is an opportunity to be part of a great Team and feel a sense of accomplishment and pride in what you are doing.

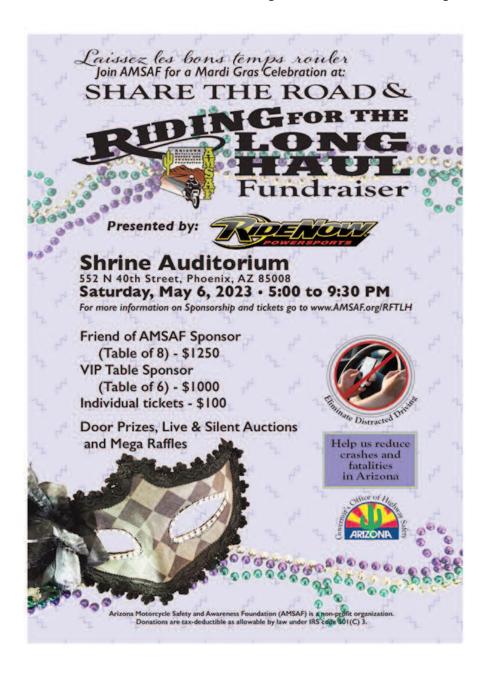
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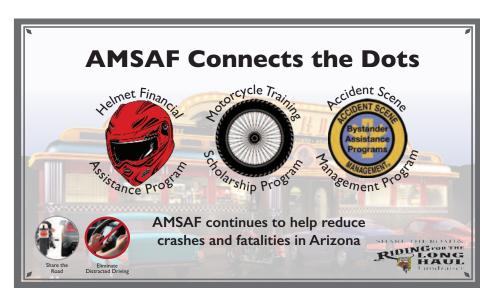
tunity as Volunteer Board Member, send us a message at info@amsaf.org with your contact information and we'll get back with you.

Each year we put on our annual Fundraising event "Share the Road & Riding for the Long Haul" This coming year's event will be May 6th,2023 and our theme this year will be Mardi Gras. www.amsaf.org/RFTLH

Thank you again for your support of AMSAF and what we do to help the Community. We hope everyone has a wonderful and Happy Thanksgiving.

Mick Degn Executive Director AMSAF









## FOR VETERANS THIS JUST IN

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On October 17, the president signed into law S. 1198, the Solid Start Act (Public Law 117-205), which permanently authorizes and expands the Solid Start program, a VA outreach program for veterans in their first year of separation from the military. The law specifically requires the VA to coordinate with the Department

of Defense to prioritize outreach to veterans who have accessed mental health resources prior to separation from the Armed Forces.

Transitioning from the military to civilian life can be stressful and navigating the VA health care and benefits systems can be difficult. The Solid Start program has proven to be effective in assisting those

separating from service and providing valuable outreach. In fiscal year 2021, the VA's Solid Start reached out to over 32,000 veterans who had mental health treatment prior to separation and successfully contacted over 24,000 transitioning service members.

DAV provided testimony and support for this legislation in accordance with 20212022 DAV Res. No. 128, which calls on Congress to monitor and improve services for transitioning service members. To view the Solid Start Act (P.L. 117-205), click here.

https://www.congress.gov/bill/117th-congress/senate-bill/1198

## Riot on the River

By Mary K. Donnay

The ACMC held their annual RIOT ON THE RIVER event again at Winkelman Gila River Park, November 4-6, 2022. Representation from MC's across the state were there. Billy Bracken, Lost Dutchman MC, ACMC Vice Chairman and ABATE member, did an excellent job as coordinator of the event. They made some layout changes that made it a better event. AZDC, an ACDC cover band, rocked the place Saturday night. Lost

Dutchman MC handled refreshment sales, a few food vendors on hand provided excellent food. It was really good to see vendors Jaime with The Diva Cave, Larry with Club Nirvana, and Traci Rhino with Discount Biker Supply.

MANY THANKS to Cliff Prentice, ABATE State Treasurer, for hauling the booth, table and chairs. He helped Smiley and I with our camp set up/tear down and shared his coffee in the morning and bottle of Jack in the evening! Thanks to Jim Butsback, ABATE State President, and Gizmo from So. AZ Chapter who helped us at the booth. We signed up 5 new members, including Ricky LaBraun, Sons of God New Jerusalem MC and ACMC Treasurer.

Moonshine and Trish from our Mohave Chapter sold ACMC 50-50 raffle tickets and donated home-made apple moonshine and rootbeer moonshine for donations to give the winner of the wet t-shirt. They did an awesome job. Several of our High Country Chapter/MMAA came on Saturday; Chubby, Jigsaw, Yukon, Rick the Prick and Spitfire.

I must say, tent camping when it's 33 degrees at night, gave me a renewed appreciation for a climate-controlled home with a good bed and running water. Life is good, enjoy the ride, and be good to one another.





























## Moto X Phenomenon Axell "Slay" Hodges on UNLEASHED Podcast

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CORONA, California – November 22, 2022 – Get inside the mind of the most creative and progressive motocross athlete on the planet! Monster Energy is proud to welcome freestyle motocross innovator and 12-time X Games medalist Axell Hodges from Encinitas, California on Episode 45 of the sports and pop culture podcast UNLEASHED with The Dingo and Danny.

Recorded inside Monster Energy headquarters in Corona, California, the special episode was initially broadcast live on the Twitch platform on November 18th. As of today, fans can tune in to the official recording of Episode 45 of UNLEASHED on all major platforms, including Spotify, iTunes, and YouTube.

Episode 45 also features special guest Ash "Dirt Shark" Hodges, Axell's brother and creative collaborator, as well as their father, Phillip Hodges.

In the episode, the 26-year-old athlete shares his creative process behind recordsetting jumps and boundary-breaking tricks. "I always snowboarded and skated a bit. I had a lot of friends who skated and were better than me and had good style. I never really had that in skate-boarding, so that's where I kind of wanted to be a skater on my dirt bike and flow and have good style. So, skating and all that helped a lot on how I ride my dirt bike," said Hodges on UNLEASHED.

Axell Hodges is a motocross rider with no need for introductions. Despite his young age, Hodges already holds twelve X Games medals, including four gold. The prodigy not only dominates competitions such as Best Whip and High Air but raises the bar with innovative freestyle tricks recorded in viral videos. His trilogy of "Slayground" motocross videos has garnered more than 14 million combined views... and counting. In the episode, Hodges dives deep into the high-stakes world of competitive freestyle motocross at the highest level.

Hear "Slay" tell the full story in conversation with the two podcast hosts, Australian action sports personality Luke "The Dingo" Trembath and professional snowboarder Danny Kass on Episode 45 of UNLEASHED. Also joining the interview, acclaimed painter, model, and UFC Octagon girl Brittney Palmer contributes questions and background information to the episode. Tune in right here.

Raised in a motocross family, Hodges discovered dirt bikes at a young age. Initially, the native of Southern California pursued a career as a racer. "I wanted to be a dirt bike racer and thought that was the only way when I was a kid. Like, you gotta race! And I did not want to do freestyle when I was younger." But ultimately, his freestyle tricks would garner Hodges worldwide attention: "I raced from 14 to 18, and then filmed the first 'Slayground' video. That's when I came out of racing and into more freeriding and social media," said Hodges.

While also making his mark in motocross competitions such as the X Games, Hodges discovered the power of social media platforms to document his boundary-pushing tricks in his own online videos. "I never thought I would be able to call what I do my job, just post videos, and ride my bike. Just make up stuff on the regular," said Hodges on

UNLEASHED.

Fast-forward to today and the "Slayground" video series – filmed with brother and filmmaker Ash Hodges – has generated over 14 million views on YouTube. "I started the 'Slayground' series in 2015 at my parents' house in Encinitas," said Hodges. "That was my first video and what I was doing every day. Riding in my backyard and had my brother come film a sick line going through my parents' house, and that's where the 'Slayground' originated."

In 2020, Hodges took the dream to the next level by building his own 40-acre "Slayground" facility in Ramona, California, as a place to practice and film the third installment of the video series. "This is what we did through Covid. Bought some property and built and tweaked all the jumps until we got it right then we filmed the video," said Hodges.For X Games 2021 and 2022, Hodges opened his legendary "Slayground" compound for competitions across five Moto X competitions as well

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## **New Business Member Spotlight**

Hell Mary Holsters, owners Damian and Lisa Paige, owners

Damian and Lisa became East Valley ABATE business members mainly because of East Valley Chapter's life members, Matthew and Julie Reemelin's welcoming invitation to participate as a vendor at the 2022's "TOO BROKE FOR STURGIS" rally. At the event Damian and Lisa had a wonderful time getting to

know the TBFS attendees and ABATE members. Damian and Lisa enjoyed engaging with the attendees as well as being very busy making gun holsters for the attendees. Beyond that Damian and Lisa love what the East Valley chapter and ABATE represents- promoting motorcycling in a safe and positive image and also preserving and protecting our American freedom.

In 2020, Damian and Lisa started Hell Mary Holsters as a division of Xenolith Armory, LLC a gun parts company. The service they provide is customized gun holsters for your firearm. Their slogan is "We make 'em while you wait". Whether you're left handed, right handed, have lasers, flashlights, or plain rails, Hell Mary Holsters can make a holster for you! They offer different options for inside waistband or outside the waist-

band, with standard belt loops, paddles, and clips. For a standard holster it takes about 15-20 mins to make. They will need your firearm to customize your holster for that gun and the options of your choice. For customization beyond their options please contact Damian for details or information at (480) 401-6412. An example of Hell Mary Holsters work(notice the custom ABATE holster!):















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Alan House and John Manross, owners of the Monastery Bar and Grill, are proud, as a business member, to support ABATE of Arizona. The Monastery Bar and Grill share ABATE of AZ's anti discrimatory policies and welcome all Arizona bikers to their establishment! Allan and John and their team recognize that motorcycle rights organizations like ABATE AZ are critical to protecting our rights to ride

safely and freely. As you enter the Monastery Bar and Grill you will notice that John and Allen have prominently displayed their ABATE of Arizona Business Member Supporter sign!

The Monastery is a casual and fun neighborhood pub which is tucked away in a Santa Fe style house. They are surrounded by trees, grass and sand in a comfort-

able environment that can easily accommodate groups of any size while still remaining informal and cozy. The Monastery Bar and Grill is a hidden treasure of Mesa! The Monastery Bar and Grill is located adjacent to Falcon Field. Whether you're just looking for a place to hang out with friends, celebrate a special occasion, grab a drink or have a bite to eat, this is the place ABATE of Arizona

members and friends should to hang out at! Come on out and listen to some of Arizona's best bands, intimate acoustic duo's, open mic, DJ's or sing karaoke as the Monastery Bar and Grill is a great Arizona music scene venue!

Come on out to enjoy the Monastery Bar and Grill . You will truly be amongst friends!













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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.

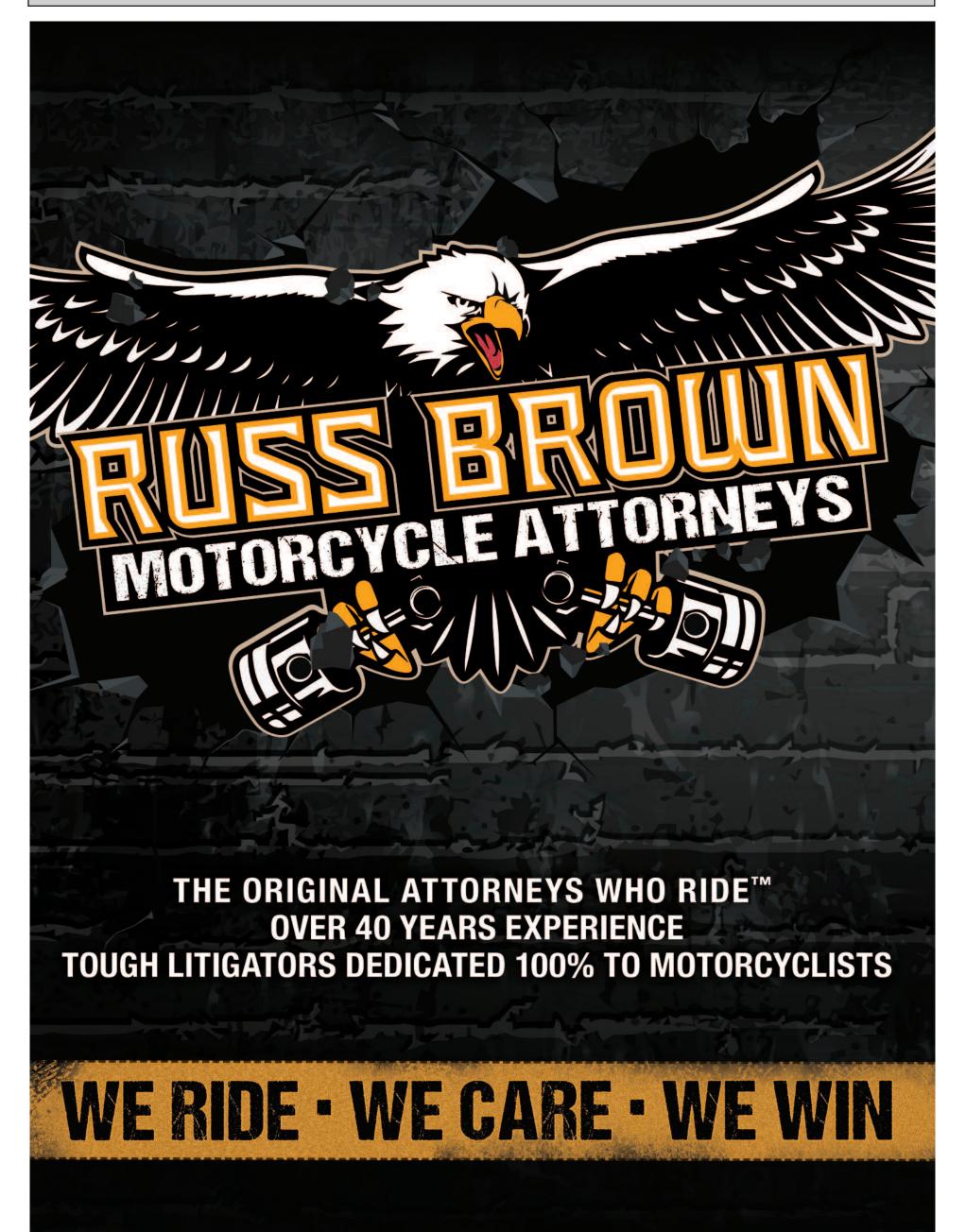
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## East Valley Annual "Hardass Run"

East Valley chapter held their annual "Hard Ass" Run on October 22nd. The run certainly lived up to its name – the total miles recorded was 446 miles! Each of the run participants received a great looking shirt and a pin. The run started out at O'Kelly's Bar and Grill in Mesa. The first stop was at the Buckboard Restaurant in Superior. The second stop was hosted by Tombstone Brewery in Tombstone. The run participants enjoyed

some BBQ and some of Tombstone's great beers and ales! The final stop was at Gypsy's Roadhouse in Phoenix. The participants were able to relax and recount their run in the comfortable and biker friendly atmosphere that Gypsy's Roadhouse provides! Thanks to everyone who attended the run event! Regrets that we did not get everyone's pictures.

Thanks to Cliff Prentice, Julie Reemelin,

Stacy Baldwin, and Jason Montgomery for helping out with the run event! And thanks to our run sponsors for their generous donations:

East Valley Members, Stacy Baldwin and Jason Montgomery(Radar & Liberty Unleashed LLC), for providing the run shirts.

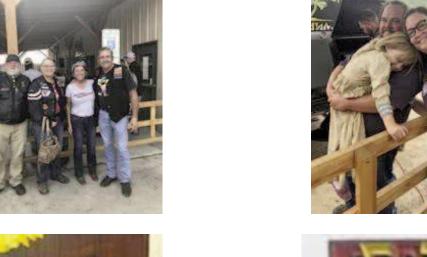
O'Kelly's Bar and Grill(not yet but close

to being a business member) for hosting the start and providing gift card donations.

East Valley Member, Matt Brown owner of Tombstone Brewing, for hosting the 2nd stop and gift card donations.

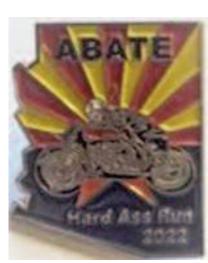
East Valley Members, Bill and Liz Voss owners of Gypsy's Roadhouse, for hosting the final stop and gift card donations.





















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# Moto X Phenomenon Axell "Slay" Hodges on UNLEASHED Podcast (CONTINUED)

as BMX Dirt. Aside from hosting the world elite of the sport, Hodges also pocketed one gold and two silver medals at X Games 2022, bringing his total count in the world's biggest competition to 12 medals.

For his biggest moment of mainstream fame, Hodges attempted to set the long-distance jump record for the Guinness Book in 2019 for the 'Evel Live 2' event – hitting the ramp at 106 miles per hour – but suffered a life-threatening crash during practice. "I went 396 feet from ramp to ramp, but the next day I went there and ended up going down around 400 feet. I don't really know if I hold the record or not. All I know is I went pretty far on my

bike, and I'm satisfied with that."

As his next challenge, Hodges has his eyes on more video projects. "I have a couple of things I want to check off," the Moto X phenom said on UNLEASHED. But let's hear it from "Slay" himself! Visit the landing page to access Episode 45 of the UNLEASHED with The Dingo and Danny Podcast featuring motocross trailblazer Axell Hodges.

Episodes of UNLEASHED are filmed on a special set inside Studio M at Monster Energy headquarters in Corona, California. The podcast is hosted by the dynamic duo of Australian action sports personality Luke "The Dingo" Trembath and professional snowboarder Danny Kass. Known for their deep roots in action sports culture, the two starred in the beloved cult TV show 'The Adventures of Danny and The Dingo' on Fuel TV for five action-packed seasons in the early 2010s. Both hosts have walked the walk as pro snowboarders and possess the interview skills to find common ground with guests from any type of background – sports and pop culture. Always look out for new episodes dropping bi-weekly on Mondays.

The UNLEASHED with The Dingo and Danny Podcast is here to celebrate the personalities behind the Monster Energy lifestyle. With each episode dedicated to a unique guest or topic, listeners learn about living on the edge and advancing the state of the art in the world of highenergy sports as well as music, games, and pop culture from individuals at the top of their game. More than a drink, Monster Energy is a way of life lived by athletes, sports, bands, believers, and fans – and the podcast is an extension of this unique DNA.

For more on Monster Energy and the UNLEASHED Podcast, visit www.monsterenergy.com. Also follow Monster Energy on

YouTube, Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, and TikTok for exclusive content and athlete features.

## Langen Motorcycles: first two bespoke customer machines

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Langen Motorcycles unveils the first two bespoke customer machines at Motorcycle Live – NEC Birmingham

The first two lucky owners will see their motorcycles for the first time before Motorcycle Live opens to the public on Saturday 19th November at the NEC Birmingham. The two motorcycles will remain on display on the Langen Stand 3E25 at the NEC for the duration of the show before being delivered to their new owners. Both motorcycles have been carefully created to meet each client's exact specifications and are the embodiment of the Langen customisation and build process.

Langen Technology Limited (Langen), one of the leading automotive engineering and development companies specialising in low volume motorcycles, is today unveiling the very first customer two stroke 250cc V-twin machines. The keys will be handed over to the lucky new owners at the start of the Motorcycle Live exhibition at the NEC.

In a specially orchestrated ceremony, the founder of Langen, Christofer Ratcliffe, will greet the new owners and provide a short presentation on the customisation process of each machine. Chris will then be available for a short Q&A session on the stand.

The two customer motorcycles will remain on display on the Langen stand 3E25 in Hall 3A at the NEC between the 19th and 27th December. A range of two stroke bikes from the 80's and 90's will also be exhibited.

The Langen team will be joined by IRRC SBK Champion and Ex 125 & Moto3 GP Rider Danny Webb to give his account of how the Langen Two Stroke performs on track.

What makes this motorcycle unique is the intoxicating 250cc V-twin engine combined with the focus on simplicity, the reduction in weight using modern technology and materials, along with the use of components of the highest quality. Modern design meets Great British traditional craftsmanship.

Being born as a side project in the Ferrari factory, the first version of the V-Twin was realised in 2014 by Vincenzo Mattia as a brutal GP race engine delivering 95bhp. The patented fuel injection and ECU controlled lubrication system have enabled Langen and Vins to develop the purebred V-Twin into a durable, controllable engine which meets modern emissions regulations. The well-mannered power delivery allows a predictable ride with endless, addictive torque on tap. Take the needle upwards of 9,000 rpm for an experience like nothing else on the road.

Drawing on a wealth of experience and expertise, Langen pride themselves on producing a whole motorcycle package which can not only contend on the racetrack but also provides a confidence inspiring and unequalled ride on the road. Langen's specialism echoes the great Colin Chapman "simplify then add lightness". Relentless design, testing and optimisation of every component and system on the bike enables the Two Stroke to weigh in at an incredible 120kg translating to over 600bhp/tonne. The aluminium space-frame chassis provides the opti-

mum stiffness, weight and geometry to give incredible cornering speeds, change of direction along with reassuring stability at 130mph.

Christofer Ratcliffe Founder and CEO of Langen comments: "At Langen we believe that "cars move the body yet motorcycles move the soul" - it demonstrates the intangible and unmatched human experience of riding and owning a Langen. The whole team at Langen are excited to hand over the first two bikes, like all automotive businesses we have had our own issues with components and supply-chain and coupled with COVID-19 this moment has been a long time in the making; however the best things come to those that wait and our first customers cannot wait to throw a leg over these bikes and reap the rewards of the hundreds of man hours that have gone in to each machine - they are now ready to be enjoyed."

Discover more at: https://www.langenmotorcycles.co.uk/

## Neighborhood x Harley-Davidson Collaboration

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Neighborhood x Harley-Davidson Collaborate on Limited Moto Culture Inspired Apparel Collection

MILWAUKEE and TOKYO (November 16, 2022) – Legendary motorcycle maker Harley-Davidson and renowned streetwear brand Neighborhood have teamed up for a limited collaboration launching on November 19, 2022.

Neighborhood, started in 1994 in Tokyo, Japan, was originally conceived as part of founder Shinsuke Takizawa's motorcycle enthusiast interests. Neighborhood's mix of luxury construction standards, and classic utilitarian and subculture aesthetics made the brand a cornerstone of modern streetwear. With shared interests in motorcycling and focus on craftsmanship, Neighborhood x Harley-Davidson is the new iconic duo.

The collaboration fuses the heritage logos of both brands in motorcycle culture inspired style with the perfect touch of streetwear ease and comfort. Comprised

of sweatshirts, longsleeve and shortsleeve t-shirts, a lightweight racing jacket and a handful of accessories (hats, mug and sticker pack), each style features both brands' logos with lightening graphic details and skeletons.

The Neighborhood® x Harley-Davidson® collection launches
November 19th at neighborhood.jp and h-d.com/neighborhood, as well as at
ComplexCon in Long Beach, CA where
the brands will have a collaborative space
Nov. 19-20.

Highlights from the collection include:

NEIGHBORHOOD® x Harley-Davidson® Racing Jacket

Signature style at every turn starts with the NEIGHBORHOOD® x Harley-Davidson® Racing Jacket. It's crafted from a durable, high-density cut of SOLOTEX® polyester twill with an antistatic polyester taffeta lining. This classic, race-inspired silhouette features a snaptab stand collar, rib-knitting for added comfort and wearability, and front hand-

warmer pockets with a secure zipper closure. It's adorned with a bold skeleton appliqué plus branding that honors these two icons.

NEIGHBORHOOD® x Harley-Davidson® Pullover Hoodie

Winning legends unite on our NEIGH-BORHOOD® x Harley-Davidson® Pullover Hoodie. This relaxed fit is made from a cozy cut of dry-touch cotton jersey with hoodie favorites like a lined drawstring hood and a roomy kangaroo pocket. Finished with Harley-Davidson's #1 Logo created to celebrate its 1969 AMA Grand National Championship season title on front, and its iconic Bar & Shield logo on back.

NEIGHBORHOOD® x Harley-Davidson® Lightning Bolt T-Shirt

Harness the raw power of nature and the open road in this NEIGHBORHOOD® x Harley-Davidson® Lightning Bolt T-Shirt. Crafted from heavyweight all-cotton jersey for longwearing comfort and durability with a rib-knit neckline to help

keep its shape. Its signature look features electrifying lightning graphics coupled with branding from two forces to be reckoned with in the fashion and motorcycling industries.

NEIGHBORHOOD® x Harley-Davidson® Skull T-Shirt

The essence of motorcycling and streetwear style comes alive on the NEIGHBORHOOD® x Harley-Davidson® Skull T-Shirt. Crafted from breathable cotton jersey for all-day comfort with a rib-knit neckline to help keep its shape. Its graphics display a unique mix that pays tribute to Harley's storied history, complete with a replica of our 1930s Silver Wing patch that appeared on racing caps and jerseys. The shirt also showcases NEIGHBORHOOD's "Craft with Pride" tagline and origin of this fashion vanguard in modern Japanese culture.

# More News on Sale of Daytona Harley-Davidson & Destination Daytona

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The Rossmeyer family has sold Bruce Rossmeyer's Daytona Harley-Davidson and Destination Daytona at 1635 N. U.S. 1 after being in business for 28 years, to Teddy Morse of the Ed Morse Automotive Group, a press release announced on Thursday, Nov. 17.

"Our kids continued Bruce's dream after his death and I am very proud of them," principal owner Sandy Rossmeyer said. "I am also extremely pleased that we are selling to a buyer who knew Bruce and that Mr. Morse is thrilled to carry on the Daytona Harley-Davidson legacy. The time to sell is when you are on top, and my children and our loyal team of associates have certainly kept us there and will work hard to help Teddy build his own Harley-Davidson legacy."

The dealership will operate under the name Teddy Morse's Daytona Harley-Davidson. Destination Daytona will continue to operate with its existing tenants, the Clarion Inn Ormond Beach, the 35-000 square-foot Rock N' Roll event pavilion, and the Saints and Sinners Pub. According to a press release by the Ed Morse Automotive Group, the dealership

will soon begin selling LiveWire, an electric American motorcycle brand.

The Ed Morse Automotive Group, which has been family-owned for over 75 years and is headquartered in Delray Beach, currently owns 36 dealerships, 70 automotive franchises, 40 locations and 18 automotive and motorcycle brands. The New Smyrna Harley-Davidson dealership will be closing permanently on Nov. 30.

The purchase also includes the Main Street retail store at 510 Main St. Bridge, and will be called the Teddy Morse's Daytona Harley-Davidson Main St.

"After our purchase of three Harley-Davidson dealerships and a retail store in Texas recently, we had the opportunity to make this deal in Ormond Beach and it was too exciting to pass up," said Teddy Morse, chairman and CEO of Ed Morse Automotive Group. "We loved the fact that this amazing entertainment campus is in our home state and that the Rossmeyer family wanted it to go to another family-owned business. We look forward to enhancing and expanding this incredible property."

## **Triumph Announce New Street Triple Lineup For 2023**

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IS THIS THE REVIVAL OF BRITISH MOTORCYCLE RACING LEGACY?

by Troy Siahaan from https://www.motor-cycle.com

Limited Edition Street Triple Moto2 Edition Headlines The Show

Triumph has announced a shakeup to its ever-popular Street Triple range today, introducing not one, but three evolutions to the family, creating what it says is "the most powerful Street Triple range ever." Building off the success it has forged by being the sole engine supplier for the Moto2 racing category, Triumph now introduces the Street Triple R, Street Triple RS, and the Street Triple 765 Moto2 Edition – the latter of which will be relegated to just 765 units worldwide.

Unlike Honda, whose CBR600RR engine was the basis of the Moto2 category during its birth, Triumph has used the racing

category to advance the 765cc threecylinder engine shared between the race bikes and production bikes. The latest Street Triple range is the beneficiary of those advancements.

All three models will get the updated 765cc Triple, which features new pistons, connecting rods, and wrist pins (aka gudgeon pins if you're British) on the bottom end. The combustion chambers are revised for increased cylinder pressure limits, since the compression ratio has now gone up 4.7%, from 12.65:1 to 13.25:1. New valves and higher lift camshafts round out the top end changes. The R, which is now the base model, peaks at a claimed 118 hp at 11,500 rpm, while the RS and Moto2 top out at a claimed 128 hp at 12,000 rpm. Peak torque is 59 lb-ft at 9,500 rpm, with a notable increase starting at 7,500 rpm compared to the previous model.

Triumph says all six internal gear ratios, as well as the final drive ratio, have been changed compared to the outgoing model for shorter overall gearing. What you should feel from the saddle is faster acceleration (likely at the expense of top speed) in every gear, aided by an up-and-down quickshifter on all three models.

From a tech standpoint, a Continental IMU is fitted to all three models, allowing for optimized cornering ABS and a more refined traction control system (which can also be turned off). As part of the update, the riding modes (four on the R, five on the RS and Moto2) have been refined as well with what Triumph calls, "more dynamic throttle maps." As part of these new maps, the ABS thresholds are tailored to each mode, giving the rider more or less sensitivity depending on the mode. For the RS and Moto2, the Track riding mode is equipped with a minimally invasive ABS setting.

Visually, the Street Triple range gets a new look that's sharper and more aggressive, but still very familiar to the original Street Triple from 2007. The new 3.96gallon fuel tank is smaller than the previous 4.6-gallon tank, but has integrated side panels with an angular design that integrates with the radiator cowls. This flow is continued with the headlight surround that also incorporates the air intake. There's also a new color-matched bellypan for RS models (available as an option on the R).

At the back, the upswept design gives the Street Triples a nose-down, aggressive attitude which complements well with the new, freer-flowing exhaust, which itself is redesigned.

All three models have a 6,000-mile (10,000 km) service interval, two years unlimited mileage warranty, and two years of Roadside Assistance. For the US and Canada, bikes will be available starting in Spring 2023, making these technically model year 2024 motorcycles. Semantics, we know, but a point worth mentioning.



## **Another H-D Recall: Nearly 200,000 Harley Touring Models**

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On 21-October-2022, Bikernet Blog updated the fans of the Motorcycle Company about handlebar recalls on Nightster models. Now another recall is revealed. Click to see previous handlebar post.

by Janaki Jitchotvisut from https://www.rideapart.com

Nearly 200,000 Harley Touring Models Could Have Brake Light Issue On affected bikes and trikes, rear brake lights could light up even when riders are not braking.

On October 21, 2022, Harley-Davidson issued a safety recall for 199,419 different 2019 through 2022 Trike and CVO Trike and 2020 through 2022 Touring and CVO Touring motorcycles. The fault involves a software issue that determines when the rear brake lights on these bikes are illuminated.

In certain cases, the rear brake lights may stay lit up even if the rider has not activated the brakes and is not braking at that time. This condition could cause vehicles following those bikes to misjudge when a bike in front of them is actually braking, thus increasing the risk of a crash.

A total of 31,572 2019 through 2022 Trike and CVO Trikes with VINS ranging between 1HD1MAF14KB850024 and 1HD1MCP19NB854018 (not sequential), manufactured between the dates of July 6, 2018 and June 23, 2022, are involved in this recall. This includes the following models:

2019 FLHTCUTG and FLRT 2020 through 2022 FLHTCUTG, FLRT, and FLHTCUTGSE

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Additionally, a total of 167,847 2020 through 2022 Touring and CVO Touring bikes with VINS ranging between 1HD1KRP18LB600080 and 1HD1FMP11NB645226 (not sequential), produced between the dates of July 2,

2019 and June 23, 2022, are involved in this recall. This includes the following models:

2020 FLHP, FLHR, FLHRXS, FLHT, FLHTK, FLHTKSE, FLHTKSHRINE, FLHTP, FLHX, FLHXS, FLHXSE, FLTRK, FLTRX, FLTRXS, and FLTRXSE

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2022 FLHP, FLHR, FLHRXS, FLHT, FLHTK, FLHTKSHRINE, FLHTP, FLHX, FLHXS, FLHXSE, FLHXST, FLTRK, FLTRKSE, FLTRX, FLTRXS, FLTRXSE, and FLTRXST

Harley-Davidson advises that motorcycles produced after June 24, 2022, have both a new pressure switch and a software calibration update that fixes this issue. Therefore, they should not be affected by this recall. The company notified its dealer network about this issue between October 21 and 28, 2022. It is also sending owner notification letters

between October 26 and November 2, 2022.

Owners of affected bikes should arrange service with their local authorized Harley-Davidson dealer, who will perform a software update to affected Touring and CVO Touring motorcycles at no charge to the customer. Likewise, owners of affected Trikes and CVO Trikes will receive both a software update and a new pressure switch, also installed at no cost to the customer.

Owners may contact Harley-Davidson customer service at 1-800-258-2464. Harley-Davidson's number for this recall is 0635.

Additionally, owners may contact the National Highway Safety Traffic Administration Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153) or go to www.nhtsa.gov. NHTSA's campaign number for this recall is 22V-781. Source: NHTSA

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#### ATTENTION ALL RIDERS

It has come to our attention that business establishments in Arizona may still be discriminating against motorcyclists. Please carry copies of this form with you at all times. Discrimination can range from a sign stating "No Colors" or "No Motorcycle Parking" or "No Motorcycle Attire" etc.,to simply being asked to leave a place of business, just because you are on a motorcycle or because of your riding attire. If anything like this happens to you, PLEASE fill out this form in its entirety and send it to the address below. Your lobbyist cannot get sponsorship for "equal access" legislation, without evidence of this type of discrimination.

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National Coalition of Motorcyclists NCOM- (800) 525-5355 Fighting for Bikers Rights

Confederation of Clubs. - (800) 531-2424 Motorcycle Clubs Fighting Against Discrimination

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For more information about MRFA&E go to the website at mrfae.org

Please send resume to: deb@mrfae.org & secretary@mrfae.org

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Deborah Butitta
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## **Young Activist Nomination Request**



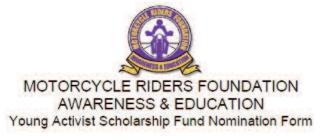
## MOTORCYCLE RIDERS FOUNDATION AWARENESS & EDUCATION

Young Activist Scholarship Fund Nomination Form

#### Candidate Criteria:

- 1) Nominated candidate must be between the ages of 18 and 30 with a valid Motorcycle Endorsement on their Driver's License. 31st Birthday must fall after **Meeting Of The Minds** for that year.
- 2) Candidate must be a member in good standing of a State Motorcyclists' Rights Organization (SMRO). Length of membership required in SMRO to be determined by its members if candidate is qualified.
- 3) Candidate must be nominated by their SMRO. Nominations will be accepted from either state or local (District/Chapter/Local) SMRO groups and must be submitted on an MRF approved application form.
- 4) Nomination must be submitted between October 1st and July15th and postmarked no later than July 1st of the year for which the application is submitted.
- 5) The Candidate 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. Winning candidates will be announced via an MRF E-mail News Release on or about August 15<sup>th</sup>. All candidates will be notified with a letter of thanks and encouragement to re-submit their candidacy for the next year if they are not the selected winner.

Previous winners: 2004 Crystal Maney CBA/ABATE of NC, 2005 Robert Cuthbertson ABATE of CA and Jennifer Lynn Basden ABATE of SC, 2006 Shawn Dickie ABATE of AK, Aaron Meyer ABATE of IN, Justin "Kid" Crawford ICMS and David Duffy ABATE of IA, 2007 John 'JT' Boone CBA/ABATE of NC, Sunrise "Sonny" L Pitsch ABATE of WI and SCVR and Molly Su 'Monsoon' Van Daele ABATE of IA, 2008 Jeramie Barrett ABATE of IA, Mike Salathe ABATE of SD and Matt Huls ABATE of SD, 2009 Johnathan Propson ABATE of WI and Ben Vincent ABATE of AR, 2010 Katie Gross ABATE of MN, Jeremiah 'Sheepdog" Parent ABATE of N ID and Lori Butler ABATE of SD, 2011 Charity Stuart ABATE of AZ, 2012 Kevin Finnegan ABATE of CO and Rachel Zell ABATE of CO, 2013 Tim McCall ABATE of WA, 2015 Alyssa Eagan ABATE of CO, Luke Johnsen ABATE of CO Holly Hurst VA, 2017 Haley Wilson CBA/ABATE of NC, 2018 Jordyn Hanson ABATE of SD and Andrew Nugent ABATE of SD 2019 George Guffee Texas and Jessica Brennan ABATE of WI.



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| 1)         | Please explain why you feel this person should be selected.  Other considerations: Explain any extenuating circumstances that you are appropriate! Job, Family, School, Finances, etc. | ı fe |
| SUBMITTED  | BY:  |      |
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The AMA LongRider program is your chance to show others that you're serious about riding your motorcycle. AMA members are invited to earn patches for various mileage milestones.

Mileage awards are available at 10,000, 25,000 and 50,000 annual miles. In addition to the awards, AMA LongRiders will be recognized on the AMA website.

If you don't get a chance to ride that often, let your miles accumulate for a Lifetime Mileage award at 25,000, 50,000, 100,000, 250,000, 500,000, 750,000 and 1 million miles. Riders who achieve 1 million miles will earn a special AMA LongRider plaque. Long Rider Rules:

Must be current AMA member Must agree to abide by AMA verification rules and procedures to accumulate once registered)

May use multiple motorcycles

How it works:

Riders register using the AMA LongRider Application.

Mileage counts from this day forward, unless you can provide verification of previous mileage with documentation from an AMA-chartered club. The AMA will consider verified mileage awards from non-AMA groups/clubs/dealers on a case-by-case basis. Mileage will not be credited for years that you were not an AMA member.

If you were enrolled in the AMA LongRider program in 2008 or prior, previous verified AMA LongRider Emeritus mileage counts.

Send a current odometer photo with your AMA card in the photo or other verification as listed on the mileage award form. Odometer pics and other verifica-

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If multiple motorcycles are used, mileage will count from time each motorcycle is registered with the LongRider Program.

AMA LongRiders receive a decal and patch with registration.

Forms can be sent to AMA LongRider, 13515 Yarmouth Dr., Pickerington, OH 43147. It's recommended to make a copy or keep a record of the mileage you are submitting, so you know when to submit for awards.

Mileage Awards:

Once you reach a milestone, return the AMA LongRider Mileage Award Request Form to AMA LongRider, 13515 Yarmouth Dr., Pickerington, OH 43147. It's recommended to make a copy or keep a record of the mileage you are submitting, so you know when to submit for your next award.

Send an updated odometer photo with your AMA card in the photo or other verification as listed on the mileage award form

Only verifiable mileage counts toward AMA LongRider Awards (odometer vs. "trail miles"). This is a road/adventure riding program.

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Share photos of your odometer, patches or photos from a trip using the #AMAlongrider on social media.

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