

# THREE TIPS FOR INFLUENCING YOUR LOCAL LAWMAKERS



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As the new legislative session begins, legislators from around the state are headed to Phoenix to get to work. If you're a freedom-loving activist living, chances are you have several goals, from getting good policy passed to stopping bad policy from seeing the light of day.

But you're not the only one with an agenda—big-government supporters and paid lobbyists will be hard at work pushing policies that restrict freedom and make it harder for families to get by. Don't worry, though. With the right tactics, you and your community members can take on the opposition effectively.

### Know the bill numbers

The quickest way to build credibility is to use the bill number when talking to lawmakers and aides about legislation. First, it helps them know exactly what bill you're advocating or opposing. Lawmakers deal with hundreds of similar bills every session, so it's important to make sure you're clear. Second, it shows you've done your research and have been following the process. You can usually find the bill information on your state legislature's website. (Azleg.gov)

### Get used to the walk-and-talk

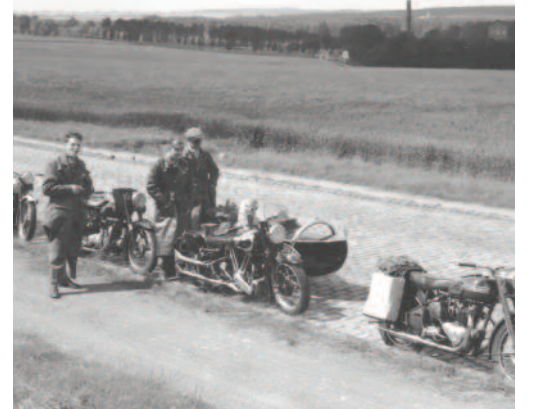
The legislature moves fast, especially in states with short sessions like Arizona. Your lawmaker will likely have a busy, rapidly changing schedule. Even if you get a meeting scheduled, the lawmaker might get called away at the last minute and not be able to attend. Relax, you can always "walk and talk".

If you want to talk to lawmakers, the best option might be to catch them between meetings and walk with them to their next appointment. Even if you get only five minutes, they'll be a captive audience. This approach works best if you've already developed a relationship with the lawmakers and their staffs.

### Stay professional

Raising your voice, making insulting or insensitive comments on a lawmakers' social media pages, using offensive terms—these are all ways to ensure legislators won't take you seriously. Stay calm, professional, and confident when talking with lawmakers and aides. You'll get a lot farther.

To learn more about influencing legislators, get with your chapter PAC officer and schedule for Will Cleveland, Arizona State PAC officer or myself to come to your chapter to teach you a little more in-depth.



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# ABATE OF ARIZONA LOCAL CHAPTERS

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

## Coyote Pass Chapter

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 Merchandise.....Harley Pettit

FMI contact Harley Pettit, (928) 530-2555, harley3787@gmail.com  
 The Coyote Chapter of ABATE meets at the Mi Lindo Jalesco, 509 Beale St, Kingman AZ 86401 on the second Tuesday of each month at 6:00 pm

High Country ChapterHigh Country Chapter is currently inactive. The next chapter meeting will be May 21st, Saturday, 10AM at The Moose Lodge, 4211 E. AZ Hwy. 260 in Star Valley. We need to fill Chapter Coordinator, Treasurer and Secretary at that time, or the chapter will permanently close.  
 FMI Contact: Woody Phillips (928) 978-7163.

## Mohave Chapter

1451 E. Ruby Trail  
 Fort Mohave, AZ 86426

Coordinator.....Tom "Papa Smurf: Ayd  
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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

## Southern Arizona Chapter

Coordinator.....Anissa "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 Kettle Restaurant meeting room. 748 W Starr Pass Blvd., Tucson, AZ 85713. Meeting time is 10AM October through March and 9AM April through September. FMI contact Jim Butsback (520)247-3051 or jimbutsbac@yahoo.com

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 Membership Coordinator.....Becky Pennington  
 Events Coordinator.....Duane "Disco" Tone  
 P.A.C.....Brian Schmidt  
 Communications Officer.....Brina Brown  
 Safety Coordinator.....Clayton Crull  
 Merchandise Coordinator.....Sadie Schultz

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

## Phoenix-Shadow Mountain Chapter

P.O. Box 54041  
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 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

## Yavapai Chapter

465 E Liana Dr.  
 Chino Valley, AZ 86323

Coordinators.....Tim Thomas  
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 Secretary.....Dixie Gray  
 Treasurer.....Dennis Banners  
 Membership.....Holli Woolsey  
 Events Coordinator.....Vacant  
 Social Media.....Holli Woolsey  
 Safety Coordinator.....Dixie Gray  
 Sgt. At Arms.....Vacant  
 P.A.C.....Deborah Butitta  
 Communications.....Vacant  
 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

Coordinator.....Alex R. Montez (Sidetrack) RRM  
 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:  
**TheMasterlink@abateofaz.org**  
 I will be sure everything is accurate for the next Issue and on the web site.

# News from the MRF

Lawmakers Head to the Exits in 2022

Happy New Year! As is the case every two years, 2022 is an election year for much of Congress. All 435 members of the U.S. House of Representatives, and 1/3 of the U.S. Senate are up for reelection in November. Add state and local elections to that and literally thousands of elections will take place this year.

What's been interesting about this year's congressional races is the number of lawmakers who are retiring, and not seeking reelection. While every year has a handful of retirements, 2022 might set a record! As of this week, 37

Representatives (26 Democrats and 11 Republicans) as well as 6 Senators (1 Democrat and 5 Republicans) have announced they will be stepping down at the end of the year.

The reasons for retirements vary, some are seeking higher office, others are fed up with Washington D.C. and others are simply avoiding potential election defeat. Regardless of the reason for these departures, it's surprising that nearly 10% of lawmakers are headed for the exits.

There are two important things you as a Motorcycle Riders Foundation member should take away from these retirements.

First, if your elected official is retiring, have they been supportive of MRF priorities in the past? In the final months of their time in D.C., many congressional offices will change their tune on issues and be more supportive of topics they avoided in the past. It doesn't hurt to reach out again, and push for MRF priorities before the lawmakers are gone for good. Ask the MRF D.C. team if we can help!

Second, with so many vacancies around the country, it's a great time to get to know new candidates. Getting in on the ground floor and building relationships early in the process is one of the best

ways to impact change and support your fellow bikers. In 2020, bikers in Michigan developed an early relationship with a candidate for office months before the election. That candidate won and became a U.S. Representative! She still fondly remembers the support she received early on from riders in her district. So get involved early and introduce yourself to the new crop of leaders headed to D.C.

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## Mission Statement

We will lobby and educate the government and the general public to promote motorcycling in a safe and positive image.

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

a similar interest in preserving our American tradition of

## FREEDOM.

We will involve ourselves in fund raising to achieve our goal.

**The Masterlink is digital.**

**It is posted monthly on the ABATE website - www.abateofaz.org.**

### How to Reach Us

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# President's Report



Too Broke for Sturgis in 2020 and a last minute approval to hold Too Broke 2021 with only a few weeks to pull it all together. Thanks guys you have done a Great Job!!!

We are an all volunteer organization and as any such group we depend on our members to step up and fill officer positions and various chairman jobs etc. Without all the dedicate individuals who donate their time and talents, the great work we accomplish could not be done. So thank you to every member who has stepped up to fill an officer position in their chapter or who has volunteered to work a membership table at an event or made phone calls and sent emails etc. Without you we would cease to exist.

Greetings Brothers and Sisters of ABATE of Arizona. First I would like to say how honored I am that you have elected me, once again to represent you as President of ABATE of Arizona. I do not take this charge lightly. I promise to work hard to continue to keep ABATE the driving force in the motorcycle community of Arizona.

I would also like to take this time to congratulate Moon Shine and all the state officers who have worked so hard the past two years. They have had to deal with many issues and the Covid outbreak which caused the cancellation of many events including

Many of you know me from my previous terms as State President. For those who are new to our organization or might not be familiar with me let me give you my background. I am originally from Chicago. I grew up on the northwest side of the city about 4 miles west of Wrigley Field. I made the move to Tucson in 1996 with my family. I live with my wife and on the northwest side of Tucson. I own a small pool and spa service company in Tucson. I started riding motorbikes we built from bicycles with Briggs & Stratton lawn mower engines mounted on them when I was in grammar school. I eventually moved up to a '71 Honda CB350 and that

was the start of my love of motorcycling. I presently have two bikes that I ride, a 93 Harley Heritage Softail Classic and a 97 Electra-Glide Ultra-Classic.

I joined ABATE after picking up a Masterlink and reading an article on why ALL riders should join a SMRO. A group of us were out and happened upon a membership drive that the Tucson chapter was having and several of us signed up. I became active with the chapter, became Sgt-at-Arms and eventually was elected Coordinator when my predecessor Ron Kool moved on. I served as Chapter Coordinator for the several years. I was elected State President and served from 2016 through 2019. I need to step away as I was dealing with my ailing mother back in Chicago and several other family issues and I was also recovering from open heart surgery and was just not able to handle all that was required. I am a life member of ABATE of Arizona and I am also a member of MMA, MMAA, AMA and the MRF. I am also a member of several other ABATE'S such as Abate of Alaska, Abate of Northern Idaho and Abate of Florida.

I would like to thank the members from around the state that encouraged me to take on this position once again. Without your input I probably would not have taken the plunge. It is a little bit of a challenge for me to fulfill the duties of the State President while living in Tucson. It

is a 4 hour round trip to make it up to Phoenix for meetings etc.. I am planning on trying to hold most meetings via video conferences which will make it easier on many of our officers who live across the state and have longer commutes than I do. We will meet in person approximately 3or 4 times and when the need arises. It should make it much easier for members from all over the state to participate in state meetings.

The ABATE Officers training had to be postponed due to the Covid surge that broke out after the Holidays. It will be rescheduled when it is possible to meet again. I want to invite all members to attend this training. If you are not an officer of your chapter but would like to learn more about the different positions and what they entail this is the perfect opportunity to do that. It is also a good idea for every chapter to have more than one person familiar with the duties of the various officers. We are all volunteers and we all have families and other responsibilities that take our time and attention. By having someone familiar with the duties, you can have someone to fill in if other responsibilities take an officer away for a time. I look forward to seeing you there.

Ride Free!  
Jim

## News from the MRF (continued)

Below is the current list of lawmakers departing their current positions. This list will grow in the coming months, keep your eyes and ears opened and stay up to date on who represents you in D.C. Reach out to the MRF D.C. team if you have any questions about the changing make up of Congress.

- Alabama: Brooks, Shelby
- Arizona: Kirkpatrick
- California: Bass, Lowenthal, Roybal-Allard, Speier
- Colorado: Perlmutter
- Florida: Crist, Demings, S. Murphy
- Georgia: Hice

- Illinois: Bustos, Kinzinger, Rush
- Kentucky: Yarmuth
- Maryland: Brown
- Michigan: Lawrence
- Missouri: Blunt, Hartzler, Long
- New Jersey: Sires
- New York: Reed, Suozzi, Zeldin,
- North Carolina: Budd, Burr,

- Butterfield, Price,
- Ohio: Gonzalez, Portman, Ryan
- Oregon: DeFazio
- Pennsylvania: Doyle, Lamb, Toomey
- Texas: Brady, Gohmert, E.B. Johnson,
- Vela,
- Vermont: Leahy, Welch
- Wisconsin: Kind

## HOW TO OBTAIN BILL INFORMATION

Mike Infanzon  
Legislative Director

When seeking detailed information on any legislative bill, the first thing to do is to access the legislature's main bill information page. This is done by clicking on the bill number (if it is a hyperlink) or by going to the main page of [www.AZLEG.gov](http://www.AZLEG.gov) and entering the bill number where indicated. The page that appears contains 6 menu items as follows:

### Overview

Lots of information here, but generally

we are only interested on how the votes went, by clicking on "Standing Details" for standing committee votes, or "Show THIRD" for third reading or final votes.

### Bill Status

A more detailed way of finding out how the votes went and how members voted. It also includes every step that the bill has gone through. Note that this is specific to House or Senate action. One must choose which.

### Videos

All hearings are videotaped. Here is where we access the videos. Most are extremely boring, but some are quite lively.

### Sponsor/Keyword/Sections

Most useful info here is the list of sponsors/supporters. The rest of the info is seldom used by us citizens.

### RTS Current Bill Positions

List of individuals and/or organizations that expressed a vote via the Request to Speak System. This is very useful in determining who is in favor of or against

the bill. Also useful as a tool to see how we are doing as against the opposition.

### Documents

Includes the full text of all the bill versions and all the summaries. Sometimes bills are amended substantially along the way, leading to an end product quite different from the original. For this reason, it is usually best to pay more attention to the latest versions of both the bill text and/or the summary.

Have fun!

## ROGUE'S HALL OF FAME RING

<https://www.bikernet.com>

In 2005 John" Rogue" Herlihy, Keith" Bandit" Ball, Michael Lichter, Jim and Phillis McClure, Soichiro Honda, Scott Parker, The Walker Family and the Motor Maids Inc. were inducted into the Sturgis Motorcycle Hall of Fame.

They all received a trophy with their name on it. Rogue's trophy stated he was being inducted into the Freedom Fighter section of the HOF which is for individuals who fought for motorcycle rights.

Rogue was well known for putting on Motorcycle Helmet Law Protests in Connecticut and other parts of the country. You can see one of the many article on the protests at [http://www.bikerogue.com/Articles/Biker\\_Rights/Helmet\\_Protest/Helmet\\_Protest.htm](http://www.bikerogue.com/Articles/Biker_Rights/Helmet_Protest/Helmet_Protest.htm) .He was also responsible for getting Connecticut Senator Stu McKinney to get the motorcyclist a hearing in Washington D.C. Rogue appeared at that hearing as Reverend John "Rogue" Herlihy Pastor of Bikers Church. He caused quite a commotion when he asked the panel when did

they condone Blackmail and Extortion.

He went on to explain that the Department of Transportation had sent a letter to Connecticut Governor Ella Grosso threatening to withhold highway funds if they did not pass specific laws one of which was a Mandatory Helmet Law for Motorcyclist.

The Blackmail threat was removed and Connecticut Repealed its Mandatory Helmet Law and many other states followed.

Rogue was very surprised and honored that his close friend Berry Wardlaw had nominated him to the Hall Of Fame. Rogue did what he did because he thought it was the right thing to do and did not even know about the Sturgis Motorcycle Hall Of Fame.

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## Chapter Reports

### Coyote Pass

NO REPORT.

### High Country

NO REPORT.

### Mohave Chapter

Hope everyone had a good Christmas and a Happy New Year. Here we are at the start of 2022 and covid continues to rear it's ugly head, yesterday Jan. 8 was supposed to be officer training but that ended up being cancelled due to covid. Hoping things will be better soon.

On Saturday, Dec. 11 the Mohave Chapter had their chapter Christmas party, good food and a good time was had by all. The chapter voted to not have a December meeting on December 20 th. due to being so close to Christmas. Our next chapter meeting is January 15 th.

Until next month hope everyone stays safe and rides safe.

Tom Aydt

Mohave Chapter Coordinator

### Phoenix/Shadow Mountain

NO REPORT.

### Superstition Chapter

NO REPORT.

### Southern Arizona Chapter

Southern Arizona is working on the Fisher House Foundation Fundraiser event taking place on February 26, 2022!

Please come out and support!!!

We continue preparing for our Bike Nights, also.. We look forward to Lobby Day 2022! Anyone needing more info on these events, please contact our Southern Arizona Chapter Officers!

Anissa "Dragonfly" Huntington

### Yavapai Chapter

Yavapai Chapter did the first annual bowling event in Prescott AZ. We had bowling, pizza, cocktail, soda and very nice raffle prizes plus LOTS of fun. Watch for next years bowling event in Jan. 2023.

Sen Karen Fann is retiring from the Arizona Senate and not running for the next election cycle. She holds the Senate President seat currently. Sen Fann has always supported out motorcycle rights and voice at the state house. Therefore, we need to get to know the people running for her office in LD1.

We invited Anne Marie Ward, Republican Candidate from Prescott Valley who is running for Sen Fann's position in LD1. Anne Marie is born and raised in the Prescott area, married, has children in the local school district. Her father is a motorcyclist and Sharon her campaign manager rode for 50 years until her husband's passing a year ago. Sharon & her husband made motorcycle saddlebags. Please look up her website for those voting in our district. If you are interested in helping you can reach Sharon at campaign@annemarieforaz.com .

Anne Marie and Sharon came to the bowling event and bowled with us. Actually, beating a couple of the guys in a game!! They had a great time with us and we with them. We are off to a good start with our next Senator for LD1.

Next up we are going to do a ROCK &

RODE ride. On trail and off trail. The flyer will be next month.

Please renew or sign up for MRF.org

MOTM will be September 22 ending 25th. Please budget your trip to Des Moines, Iowa for 2022.

Electric Vehicles (EV) are here and we need to maintain vigilance to keep our gas-powered motorcycles.

Ride Aware,

Deborah Butitta,

BOD Member MRF BOD Member

### Yuma Chapter

NO REPORT.

## HOW TO USE RTS (REQUEST TO SPEAK)

Mike Infanzon  
Legislative Director

1. At your home computer, go to <https://apps.azleg.gov/Account/SignOn>
2. Sign on using the e-mail address and password you are given
3. Make sure you change your password and let the system know you are a registered voter.

HOW TO USE RTS (REQUEST TO SPEAK)  
Using Request to Speak (RTS) AZ  
Legislature Information System (ALIS)

For those legislators who listen to citizen input, a major source of information is the testimony rendered at committee hearings, both in person and remotely. The following are instructions on how to pro-

vide opinions at committee hearings without being there physically.

NOTE: Testimony at hearings can only be done for bills that are scheduled for standing committee hearings (e.g. appropriations, education, etc.). For all bills, scheduled for hearings or not, one may provide citizen opinions via other methods, like e-mail, telephone, etc.

First, one must register. This has to be done at the Phoenix capitol or the Tucson legislature office, using one of the various terminals available. Individuals can register other individuals. All that is needed is an e-mail address and a name. Once registered, one may log in as often as desired, using one's home computer. To do so, this is the procedure to follow:

1. At your home computer, go

to <https://apps.azleg.gov/Account/SignOn>

2. Sign on using the e-mail address and password you used when you registered at the capitol.
3. Choose "Request to Speak"
4. Choose "New Request" from the Request to Speak menu found on the left-hand side of page.
5. You now have several options as to how to choose a bill on which to render your opinion, but the easiest and fastest way to go is to enter the bill number at "Search Phrase", then click on the "search" button.
6. The search results page comes up
7. At the bottom right, click on "Add Request"
8. Choose your position from the three provided: For, Neutral, or Against.
9. Next, choose whether you actually want to be present at the hearing and

speak. Your choices are: Yes, No, or Only if Necessary. Most of the time you will be choosing "No".

10. Next, go to the comments section and state your opinions, but this is optional. Keep in mind these are public comments, for the record. Everyone has access to these comments. Anything you say can and will be used against you in the court of public opinion.

11. Next, click on "Submit" and you are done. Now you can start the process again for the next bill you wish to render an opinion on.

Going through the 11 steps is a lot easier than it may seem when reading the instructions, and it gets easier every time you do it.

Have fun!

## MOTORCYCLE RIDERS FOUNDATION TO BE INDUCTED INTO THE STURGIS MOTORCYCLE HALL OF FAME

January 18, 2022

For Immediate Release

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This week the Motorcycle Riders Foundation was notified by Emma Garvin, Executive Director of the Sturgis

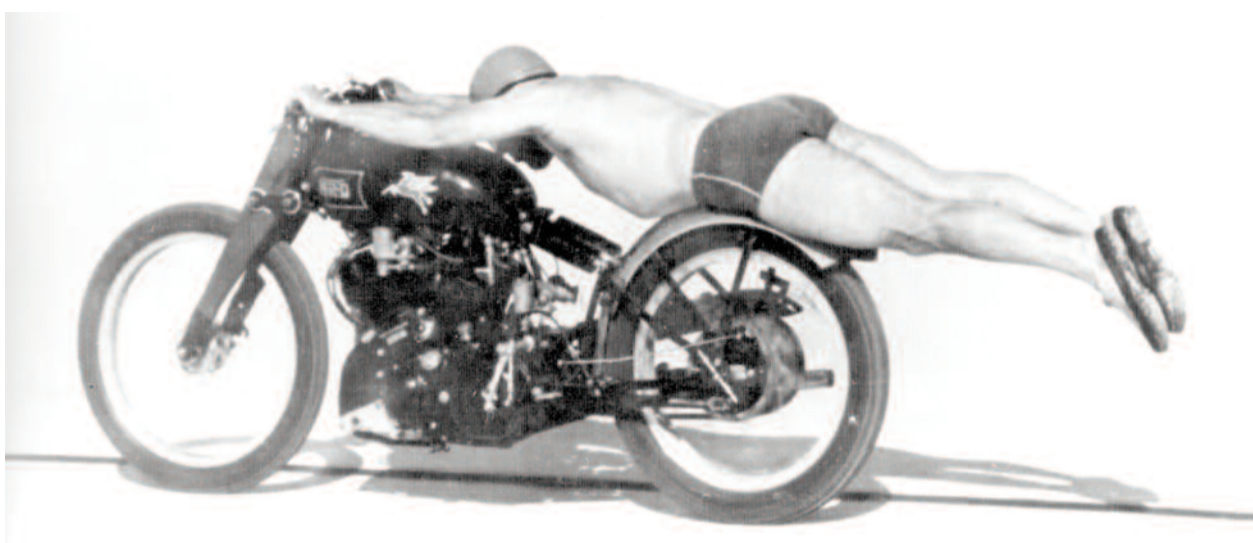
Motorcycle Museum and Hall of Fame, that the Motorcycle Riders Foundation will be inducted into the Sturgis Motorcycle Hall of Fame as part of the Class of 2022 Inductees. The ceremony will take place in August during the Sturgis Motorcycle Rally.

While there are a significant number of individual members associated with the Motorcycle Riders Foundation that have been inducted into the Sturgis Hall of

Fame, it is noteworthy that our organization as a whole will now be included. MRF Chairman and President, Kirk "Hardtail" Willard, had this to say, "Our organization being inducted into the Sturgis Hall of Fame is an outstanding achievement that truly recognizes the impact the Motorcycle Riders Foundation has had on the National and International motorcyclists' rights scene over the past four decades. It is truly a celebration of our Founding members and the contribu-

tions of each Sustaining Member Organization, Sustaining Motorcycle Club, and individual members since the beginning of this movement. For this recognition to happen in the spiritual center of motorcycling makes it even more special."

The Motorcycle Riders Foundation would like to thank Gary Sellers and Jiggs Cressy along with all of you that sent in letters in support of our nomination.





# Coast to Coast

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

**NEW YEAR = NEW LEGISLATION**  
With 2021 in the rearview, New Year 2022 has hit the ground running in several states considering pro- and anti-biker laws, including some helmet legislation, profiling, noise, motorcycle safety, lane splitting, bike parking and lighting issues.

Freedom of Choice on helmet use is on the docket in some of the 18 states that still mandate riders to wear them, such as Massachusetts (H3524 & S2328: helmet standards), Nebraska (LB581) and West Virginia (HB2711 / SB127), while New York seeks to study the efficacy of helmets (A1107) and Alabama's legislature will consider requiring reflective headgear (SB65).

Lane splitting has been a hot topic lately, and Massachusetts (H3513 & S2315), Virginia (HB838) and Washington (HB1106 / SB5622 & HB1254) hope to join California, Montana, Utah & Hawaii in allowing motorcycles to bypass slow moving vehicles in heavy traffic situations.

Likewise, anti-biker profiling by law enforcement has been on many states' agendas since being enacted in

Washington, Maryland, Louisiana and most recently Idaho, and now New York is the first this year among many more to introduce legislation (A1747 / S3869) in hopes of preventing police from discriminating against motorcyclists in their application of the law.

By sheer numbers, Massachusetts takes the prize for the most pro-motorcycle bills introduced already this session, with 11 pieces of legislation including H3487 / S2329 to advance motorcycle safety, H3417 / S2331 relative to a motorcycle safety fund, and H3438 to clarify testing and enforcement of motorcycle sound emissions.

On the "anti-" side of the dockets, New York is once again considering a prohibition on children under the age of 12 from riding on a motorcycle (A148), and Virginia will debate "excessive noise" (HB367 and HB632 / SB180).

The year is young, with many more issues of interest on the horizon, pro and con, that concerned riders need to track and stay on top of, and one of the best ways to do so is to join your state motorcyclists' rights organization (SMRO) and subscribe to the monthly NCOM Biker Newsbytes by e-mailing "Subscribe" to NCOMBish@aol.com.

**BIKER ANTI-PROFILING RESOLUTION NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT**

Since the federal Highway Bill passed Congress and was signed into law by President Biden without most of the pro-motorcycle provisions that bikers across America lobbied to include, it is now imperative that riders turn their attention toward garnering support for the stand-alone measure in the House that would help prevent anti-biker profiling.

Nearly three years ago, the U.S. Senate unanimously passed a nonbinding resolution condemning the discriminatory profiling of motorcyclists by law enforcement (S. Res. 154), and now the U.S. House of Representatives is again considering a similar bipartisan measure in the 117th Congress, H. Res. 366; "Promoting awareness of motorcyclist profiling and encouraging collaboration and communication with the motorcycle community and law enforcement officials to prevent instances of profiling."

Sponsored once again by Rep. Tim Walberg (R-MI) along with original cosponsors Congressman Michael Burgess (R-TX), Congresswoman Cheri Bustos (D-IL) and Congressman Mark Pocan (D-WI), the anti-profiling resolution was introduced in the U.S. House of Representatives on April 30, 2021 to thwart "the illegal use of the fact that a person rides a motorcycle or wears motorcycle related apparel as a factor in deciding to stop and question, take enforcement action, arrest, or search a

person or vehicle with or without legal basis under the Constitution of the United States," as profiling is defined in the resolution.

H.R. 366 acknowledges that "complaints surrounding motorcyclist profiling have been cited in all 50 States," and the bipartisan resolution denotes three actionable items;  
(1) promotes increased public awareness on the issue of motorcyclist profiling;  
(2) encourages collaboration and communication with the motorcyclist community and law enforcement to engage in efforts to end motorcyclist profiling; and  
(3) urges State law enforcement officials to include statements condemning motorcyclist profiling in written policies and training materials.

All concerned motorcyclists are encouraged to contact their Congressional Representatives at (202) 224-3121 to ask that they join with 59 other colleagues as current cosponsors of H.Res.366 and help put a stop to law enforcement unfairly targeting motorcycle riders for traffic stops, questioning and citations.

**NOISE-DETECTING CAMERAS TO FINE LOUD MOTORCYCLES IN**

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- Help prevent motorcycle crashes and promote crash survival through rider education, and public awareness campaigns.
- Encourage ongoing federal research programs such as use of E15 fuel in motorcycles, inclusion of motorcycles in ongoing transportation emerging technologies, and improvements in safer roadway design strategies.
- 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)**

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## Coast to Coast (continued)

### FRANCE

Traffic cameras that can identify excessively noisy motorcycles and vehicles are being deployed across France, with riders and drivers who flout the rules facing fines of €135 (\$153USD).

The debate over the devices, which have been trialed in various countries across Europe, has run rife for some time, but the French are the first nation to initiate a wider roll-out of cameras that will flash and fine motorcycles and vehicles that exceed noise levels.

The Bruitparif-designed Meduse cameras feature microphones attached to a camera that can pick up and identify the direction of noise from the road below. Should the sound rise above a certain decibel, the camera is activated and a fine is subsequently issued.

Though noise cameras are -- officially speaking -- aimed at all vehicles, many feel motorcycles are unfairly targeted compared to cars with many routes popular with bikers used during trials.

### MOTO-GP WILL NOT RACE IN COUNTRIES REQUIRING COVID QUARANTINES

When MotoGP resurfaced in October 2021, it looked like Grand Prix motorcycle racing might return to normal, packing the schedule with 21 rounds including eight outside Europe, but the Delta and Omicron variant waves caused many countries to reinstate travel restrictions -- including quarantines upon arrival -- forcing organizers to play musical chairs with the calendar throughout the year.

Dorna CEO Carmelo Ezpeleta sent a clear message at a recent racing forum that MotoGP will not visit countries in 2022 that require CoViD-19 quarantines; "If they tell us that we have to be quarantined for fourteen days, the answer is clear, no, I'm not going! That's the limit," Ezpeleta claimed. "As for the rest, they can ask us to have vaccination certificates or the documentation that we already did last year and that is why it was important to go to the United States as a test of what can be said to the rest of the countries."

Last year, MotoGP successfully ran

events in Qatar and the United States, unfortunately the only races held outside Europe, while Japan and Australia are still requiring such measures, and Thailand is trending that direction.

With the Japanese and Australian Grands Prix set for September and October, 2022, the situation could hopefully change, while MotoGP's pre-season runs will also be a testing ground for Malaysia and Indonesia's ability to accommodate the international race series.

### JAPANESE MOTORCYCLE SALES HIT 23-YEAR HIGH

Prior to the Coronavirus pandemic, motorcycle enthusiasts and OEMs alike lamented the elusive Millennial buyers and declining sales, but throughout the global health crisis, motorcycles have surprisingly surged in popularity. As a result, manufacturers experienced record sales growth, with Ducati, BMW, and Energica reporting large gains in 2020 and 2021, and Japanese OEMs have similarly benefited from the increased interest and the "Big Four" (Honda, Kawasaki, Suzuki and Yamaha) are reporting that domestic shipments hit a 23-year high in 2021 (235,755 units in-country, up 20.6%).

In addition to the sales uptick, Honda, Suzuki and Yamaha all report increased sales among younger riders.

Before the pandemic, Japan's more restrictive emissions laws thwarted ridership growth, but 2021 marks the Island Empire's most successful year since 1998, when customers purchased 318,080 new motorcycles.

### FOR WHAT IT'S WORTH: MOTORCYCLE RACERS BLINK LESS

A recent study has found that MotoGP riders blink far less than non-racers, with one test subject going 9 minutes without blinking!

During the first round of the 2021 MotoGP season, Pramac Ducati rider Johann Zarco set a new series top-speed record of 225 mph. At that speed, riders cover 330 feet in one second. The average blink takes 0.15 seconds, so riders traveling at that top velocity are effectively blind for nearly 50 feet of track.

That sounds like a terrifying prospect to us mere mortals, but a study between LCR Honda and Italian pharmaceutical company Sifi helps explain how MotoGP riders' eyes function in such extreme conditions. Conducted over six MotoGP seasons (2015-2021), Grand Prix riders would undergo tests prior to the race and 30 minutes following the checkered flag. The dual-test method revealed that rider reaction times and pupil performance remain in "Race Mode" for an extended period.

All racers easily exceeded the normal 4-6-second blink interval, and despite the stressful conditions, none of the subjects exhibited red, dry eyes or inflammation.

The results may be fascinating, but Sifi co-owner Carlos Chines believes this is just the beginning of a broader, long-term study.

"We basically want to continue researching the differences between 'normal' eyes and those of MotoGP riders," revealed Dr. Chines. "We also want to investigate the relationship between concentration and blink rate. From these results, we expect to understand whether one can work with little tricks, exercises, or eye drops to counteract fatigue, dry or sore eyes, and deterioration in vision."

### DROPPED BIKE BLUES

Well, it's too late to write to Santa for a saddlebag stuffer, but you can contact Airbiker to acquire their portable assistive device to pick up downed motorcycles.

No matter how your bike got to the ground, you have to pick it up somehow, and while plenty of riding instructors teach methods to help you pick up a downed bike, the moment of truth may seem much different when you eventually face it.

Plus, the bigger the bike, the more intimidating the task, and what if you have a bad back or other injury that makes it a less smart idea to manhandle your scooter?

That's the problem that French startup

Airsink wants to solve with their new product called Airbiker; a small pouch with an inflatable balloon and a few CO2 cartridges inside that gives enough boost for you to grab the handlebars and guide it back upright from a completely prone position on the ground.

It all packs up in a little zippered pouch, much like countless mini air-compressor units that riders may already carry in the event of flat tires, and is available directly from Airsink ([www.airsink.fr/boutique](http://www.airsink.fr/boutique)) at prices ranging from €130 (roughly \$147) to €195 (\$221).

### NCOM CONVENTION ~ SAVE THE DATE!

Some of the finest Freedom Fighters in the motorcyclists' rights movement will be among the hundreds of biker activists from across the country to gather for the 37th annual NCOM Convention in Nashville, Tennessee over the weekend of June 23-25, 2022 to teach, learn and share information relevant to our ongoing fight for Freedom of the Road.

This year's NCOM Convention will address legal and legislative topics of interest to all motorcycle riders, including informative seminars, regional meetings, special interest gatherings and group discussions, capped off with the Silver Spoke Awards Banquet.

NCOM Board Chairman James "Doc" Reichenbach reminds concerned bikers to "Mark your calendars now" and check back at [www.ON-A-BIKE.com](http://www.ON-A-BIKE.com) for further details as they develop.

QUOTABLE QUOTE: "We, too, born to freedom, and believing in freedom, are willing to fight to maintain freedom. We, and all others who believe as deeply as we do, would rather die on our feet than live on our knees." ~ Franklin Delano Roosevelt (1882-1945), 32nd President of the United States



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### High Country Chapter

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

### Phoenix / Shadow Mountain Chapter

Phoenix/Shadow Mountain meetings are held on the 2nd Sunday of each month at 10:30am at the AZ American Italian Club, 7509 N. 12th Street, Phoenix, AZ 85020. FMI: Chapter Coordinator Nolan Steed, [steednk@gmail.com](mailto:steednk@gmail.com)

### Southern Arizona Chapter

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

### 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 11:00.

For more information, please contact Dan Tumey @ 928-308-9911 or [ycabateaz@gmail.com](mailto:ycabateaz@gmail.com). See us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/ycabateaz/>.

### 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 209-327-0814.

### Mohave Chapter

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

### Superstition Chapter

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

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## Welcome Aboard!

Earlier this month the Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF) Board of Directors (BOD) conducted the annual January meeting. The January meeting allows the BOD to review the work of the MRF over the past year and look forward to what lies ahead.

Organization Representative. Additionally, during meetings last year, Gary Goracke of Minnesota, was added as the new Director of the State Representative Program and Andy Kelly of Pennsylvania, was added as a MRF Reps Representative. If you'd like to see a complete list of board members, with their titles and terms of service click here.

JPK Services will once again provide office management and membership services, Husch Blackwell Strategies will operate our lobbying arm and Policy Engage will provide our legislative and outreach tracking tools. Additional contracts were agreed to for IT services, editing and publishing the American Biker Journal and a new dedicated social media director.

the only one held virtually. A second meeting occurs during May's "Bikers Inside the Beltway" event in Washington, D.C. and the final meeting of the year is held during September's "Meeting of the Minds" conference. All three meetings are open to MRF members and are great opportunities to understand how the MRF operates.

Two new members of the BOD were seated at the meeting, Eric Ross of Iowa, as a new MRF Reps Representative and Rick "Brick" Lindsay of Louisiana, as a new Sustaining State Motorcycle Rights

The end of 2021 and beginning of 2022 also saw the MRF renew and establish new contracts with six different vendors.

The January meeting is one of three annual meetings of the MRF BOD and is

Thank you to our board members for their service to the MRF and their dedication to the rights of all motorcyclists.

## ROGUE'S HALL OF FAME RING (continued)

In 2020 the inductees received Hall of Fame Rings designed by Frank Zubieta owner of NINO 925. Frank has been in business for over 20 years and has a great reputation in the industry by creating specialized handcrafted jewelry in .925 Sterling Silver, YellowGold, White Gold

and Platinum.

Members of the Sturgis Hall Of Fame were given the opportunity to have rings made for them by contacting Frank at 1-877-NINO925 or by email at SALES@NINO925.COM and providing

their name and the year they were inducted. Of course this will be verified as this specific ring is only available to Hall Of Fame Members.

getting my Sturgis H.O.F. Ring for me. I have wanted something like this for a very long time as I am proud to be in the Hall Of Fame. I am very impressed with the weight and quality of the ring and I will wear it proudly.

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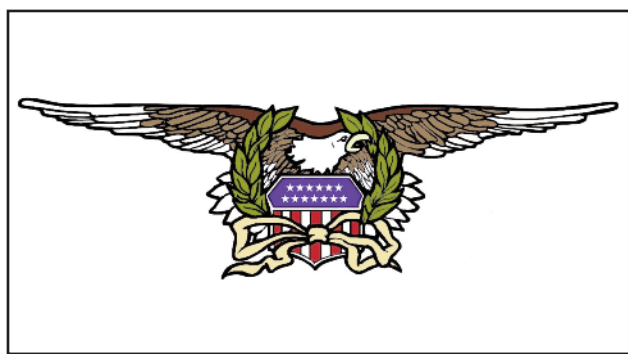
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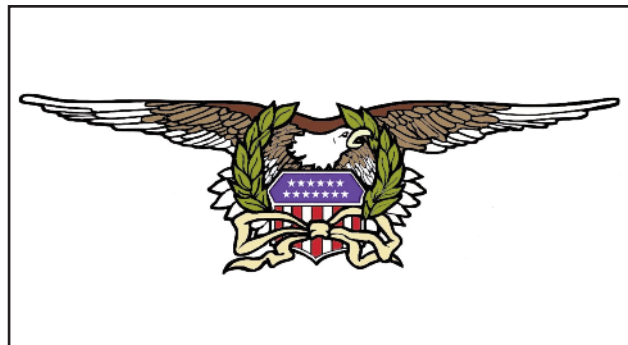
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## ABATE of Michigan Annual Seminar

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This weekend, ABATE of Michigan hosted its annual seminar in Saginaw, Michigan. In attendance were two long-time legislative champions for motorcyclist rights. Current Congressman, Tim Walberg and former Congressman Jim Barcia, joined the event.

Congressman Walberg is the Co-Chair of the House Motorcycle Caucus and a lead-

ing advocate for motorcyclist rights in Congress. Representative Walberg has championed a number of issues bikers care about, including work against the profiling of bikers and the need to ensure autonomous vehicles can recognize and react to motorcyclists.

Former Congressman Jim Barcia of Michigan fought against federal helmet blackmail efforts in the 1990's. Along with Congressman Petri of Wisconsin and

others, Representative Barcia defeated federal regulations that established a penalty, whereby a certain percentage of a state's highway funds were shifted to safety programs if the state did not have a universal helmet law. This regulation effectively blackmailed states into enacting helmet laws by holding federal funds hostage. Working hand in hand with the Motorcycle Riders Foundation lobbyist at the time, Wayne Curtain, Congress changed the law and freed states to make

helmet law determinations without federal government interference.

It's great to see past and current leaders in the motorcyclists rights movement taking the time to attend seminars like this. Thank you to ABATE of Michigan for building and maintaining these relationships which benefit all bikers across our nation.



# Bike Night for the Fall Season

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Greetings Riders,

First of all, I would like to pay my respects to the 12 Marines and 1 Sailor that lost their lives in Afghanistan last week. They answered the call and gave the ultimate sacrifice for all of us in the line of duty. We pray for peace over their families as they cope with this horrible tragedy. Thank you all for your service.

Well, the Summer is almost over and the natural disasters just keep on coming bigger than ever. Hurricane Ida paralyzed New Orleans and then continued her havoc all the way to New York causing historic flooding and tornadoes along the way on the East coast. Then come to the West and fires are threatening South Lake Tahoe forcing evacuations after burning over 210,000 acres and only 25% contained. I have talked to several riders who have experienced horrible smoky conditions while riding in the West, particularly Oregon, Idaho, California and into Nevada. I remember riding through Oregon a few years ago near a fire and it was very uncomfortable riding. Hopefully these will be under control soon.

If you have been following me over the years, you know that I love to take pictures of people, places and things. I have taken 10's of thousands particularly over the last 20 years. I am a big believer in capturing the moment and looking forward to the day that it pops up on a memory from Facebook or Amazon Photos. It can put a smile on your face

or a tear in your eye, depending on what you are seeing that day. Regardless, in this digital age, these are memories that you can revisit at a moments notice whenever you want. But without the photo, you are left to your own memory that seems to fade away in time.

I came across this great song by Country singer Michael Ray that is called "Picture", and it really hit home for me as I receive these memories from my photos every day. The song is linked below, but here is the chorus:

One day we're barefoot, young, and alive  
The next we're a story in a three by five  
That somebody is sure glad to have  
'Cause time makes it hard to remember  
So take every snapshot while you can  
And tell them that you love 'em while you got the chance  
Make sure that you take it in  
'Cause one day all you gonna have with them  
Is a picture.

As Michael Ray says at the start of this video, "Looking back, it's not about who or what we have lost, but what we all gained by being together, because that's when life truly comes into focus. It's these moments that matter, enrich our lives. The stories we take with us, the memories we hold onto forever. Make sure to take it in, cause one day, all you'll have of it is a picture." Watch this great music video of the Michael Ray song "Picture".

My Condolences  
With that in mind, I would like to give

my condolences to Andreeanne and the family of a good friend of mine, and to a lot of us around the Valley. Chazz DePape, also known as Chazzman, past away this week at 97 years old. Chazz was a WWII fighter pilot, Olympic trap-shooter, Packard Porsche Mercedes Volkswagen car dealer and just loved life! Starting at the age of 16 his complete & absolute love of Harley-Davidson motorcycles began. He always said it kept the little boy alive in him. One of my highlights was taking him flying. Knowing his background in aviation, it was one of my most nervous flights ever. He was one of the toughest and most adventurous guys I have known. Next to my Dad, Chazz has always been one of the men I have admired most. I will miss his conversation, his words of wisdom and his forever smile when I would see him. We have his memories, but with These Pictures we have a visual forever. Godspeed Chazz!

Bike Night Begins Thursday, September 9th!

Cyclerides.com Bike Night at Westgate Entertainment District. This season we will be doing 6 nights. The opening night will be Thursday, September 9th followed by 5 successive Thursday nights ending on October 14th. September 9, 16, 23, 30. October 7 and 14. Due to construction around events plaza we will have to move the starting time to 6PM to open the gates and ride into and park on Coyote Blvd. But if you are there early, you can park in the overflow and get something to eat and drink ahead of the gates opening.

As usual we will have Live Music, Vendors and Restaurant Specials for those with an M on their license. Opening night we will have Live Music by "Backstage Crew" from 6-9 PM. You can count on them to rock the plaza and bring us back with some great Classic Rock and some current music. Our presenting Sponsors Arrowhead HD, Indian Motorcycle Peoria and Ridenow Powersports will be there along with Associate sponsor Law Tigers. Phoenix Motor Leathers, Badazzlights and Performance, Biker Jewelry and Royal Helmets will also be there among others.

Gates will open 6pm. Enter from the West side. Overflow parking will be on the East side just off Coyote Blvd. Westgate Entertainment District is located at 6751 N Sunset Blvd, Glendale, AZ 85305. Loop 101 & Glendale Ave. More Information for food and drink specials. [Click Here for More Information.](#)

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I look forward to seeing you all once again at our opening Cyclerides.com Bike Night at Westgate Entertainment District on September 9th.

## Choose Wisely

Once you've decided to ride, there are a lot of choices to be made. What kind of bike? New or used? How much insurance? What kind of protective gear? It can get very expensive. So if you've chosen to wear a helmet, we'd like to make sure you buy a good one.

The Arizona Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Foundation (AMSAF) and Governor's Office of Highway Safety (GOHS) want to help. Our Financial Assistance Helmet program provides individuals with \$125 from AMSAF and 25% off the Manufacturer's suggested retail price (MSRP) when you purchase a DOT-approved, full face or modular helmet at AMSAF approved locations throughout the state.

For more information or to apply go to [AMSAF.org/Helmets](http://AMSAF.org/Helmets)

## 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.
- Vouchers are only valid to those dealers approved by AMSAF and listed on the AMSAF website.
- Vouchers are not valid for discounted, special order or discontinued helmets.
- Purchased helmet is non-returnable if warning tag is cut off. Helmets may be returnable at the discretion of the dealer.
- Voucher is valid for a \$125.00 credit toward qualified helmet due to grant received from the Governor's Office of Highway Safety.
- Dealer or store will give an additional 25% off of Helmet MSRP.
- \$50.00 tax deductible donation is required to AMSAF at time of application.
- Voucher and promo code is only valid toward one (1) Helmet purchase.
- Dealer will credit individual up front at time of purchase and invoice AMSAF.



For more information or to apply go to [AMSAF.org/Helmets](http://AMSAF.org/Helmets)



# BRUCE NEWKIRK CELEBRATION OF LIFE

By Mary K. Donnay

Bruce Newkirk, with Arizona Rider Motorcycle News, passed away on December 17, 2021. There will be celebration of life on Saturday, March 5th. Service will start between 12:30-1:00PM,

followed by an afternoon of visiting, sharing stories, and camaraderie in Bruce's name.

Potluck donations will be greatly appreciated. Please call or email Mary K. with what you plan to bring, or suggestions.

To help Betsy with expenses related to Bruce's illness and death, monetary donations may be made at the event as well.

DATE: March 5, 2022  
TIME: 11:30AM-12:30PM arrival, service to start between 12:30PM-1PM.

PLACE: American Legion Post 35, 2240 W Chandler Blvd, Chandler, AZ 85224

FMI: Mary K. (602) 751-3180 or chairman@abateofaz.us



## Passing of Bruce Newkirk

By Jerry Davis, Spartan's MC and ABATE Phoenix/Shadow Mtn. Sargeant-at-Arms

Wow,,,,its been a while. Time has taken its toll on most of us, sorry for your loss. Bruce was a good man to everyone who knew him. He got sick, loving what he did for all of us, I'm gonna miss short n shorter. Bruce always had a smile for everyone he met, and a handshake to seal the friendship for life. He will be missed, but not forgotten. Love you my friend.





# Passing of Bruce Newkirk



REST IN PEACE, BRUCE NEWKIRK  
By Mary K. Donnay

December 17, 2021 - Bruce Newkirk with Arizona Rider Motorcycle News passed away, taken from us by the evil Covid virus. Bruce & Betsy are a prime example of what a marriage should be. When

you saw one, you saw the other, always together, always respectful of each other. They have been dedicated to Arizona motorcyclists, ABATE of Arizona, and the clubs for many years, relaying our stories in print and pictures every month. Betsy has pledged to continue with the publication we have all known and loved

for many, many years.

A memorial service will be held, date/time/place to be announced at a later date (probably early February 2022).

AZ Rider Motorcycle News - Motorcycle News, Motorcycles, Bikers (azridersouth-

west.com)

Please keep Betsy in your prayers and hearts, she needs us now.

Respectfully,

Mary K Donnay - State Chairman



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# Indian Motorcycle signs Shayna Texter-Bauman to 2022 Progressive American Flat Track AFT Supertwins Factory Race Team

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. (November 18, 2021) – Following an exhilarating 2021 Progressive American Flat Track (AFT) season, the reigning five-time Manufacturers Champion, Indian Motorcycle Racing, today announced the signing of Shayna Texter-Bauman to its 2022 AFT SuperTwins factory race team. With the signing, Indian Motorcycle will welcome the AFT Singles winningest rider as the third member of the Indian Motorcycle Wrecking Crew – joining her husband and two-time AFT SuperTwins Champion Briar Bauman and reigning 2021 AFT SuperTwins Champion Jared Mees.

Piloting the Indian FTR750, Texter-Bauman will pit under the Factory trailer as Dave Zanotti will serve as the crew chief for both riders. Former AFT

Champion Jake Johnson will serve as her mechanic.

“The entire Indian Motorcycle Racing team and I are beyond excited to welcome Shayna to the Wrecking Crew, as she’s truly a remarkable racer with a relentless drive to succeed,” said Gary Gray, Vice President Racing, Service & Technology. “Shayna has no bounds that she cannot face, and we’re honored to have her join our team and represent our brand.”

“This announcement marks a key moment in my journey as a racer. I’m humbled to be joining the Wrecking Crew and cannot wait to get out on the track on the incredible FTR750,” said Texter-Bauman. “I’ve been at this for a while now and have always had the desire to finish my career

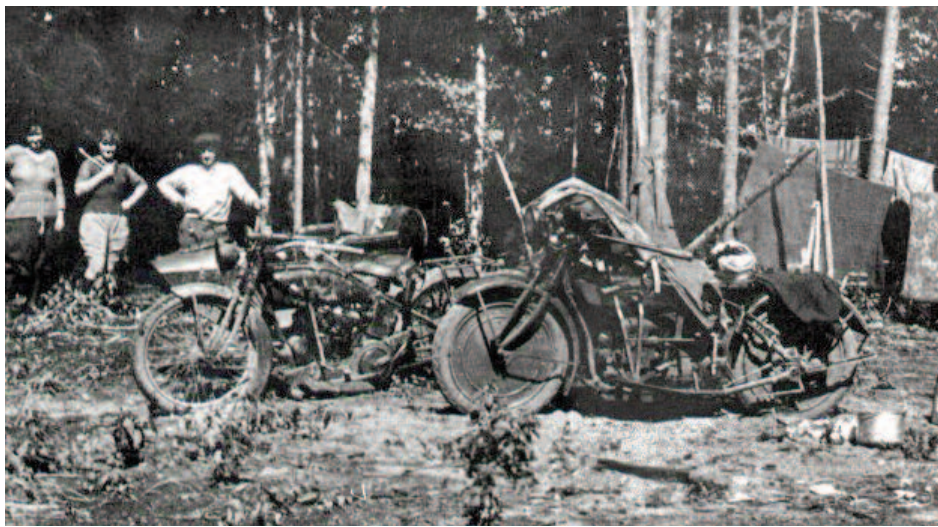
on a Twin. I’m beyond appreciative of everyone that has supported me along the way. I still have that fire to race and have some lofty goals that I would like to accomplish before I’m finished racing. I’m definitely looking forward to this next chapter racing SuperTwins.”

Texter-Bauman enters AFT SuperTwins with a drive to blaze new trails for female racers. For 2022, Texter-Bauman looks become the first female rider to reach an AFT Twins or AFT SuperTwins podium and win an AFT event within the sport’s premier class.

Indian Motorcycle Racing holds five consecutive American Flat Track manufacturer championships. Wrecking Crew rider Jared Mees ended the 2021 season with his seventh career Grand National

Championship, while Bauman is a two-time Grand National Champion. Collectively, Mees and Bauman own the last five AFT SuperTwins championships. For 2022, Michelle de Salvo will continue to handle mechanic duties for Briar Bauman, while Mees’ set up will continue to be supported by longtime Crew Chief Kenny Tolbert, and mechanics Bubba Bently and Jimmy Wood.

The Indian Motorcycle Wrecking Crew is excited to welcome back Progressive Motorcycle Insurance as presenting sponsor, as well as support from S&S Cycle, Indian Motorcycle Oil, Mission Foods, J&P Cycles, Parts Unlimited, Drag Specialties, Alpinestars and Bell Helmets.

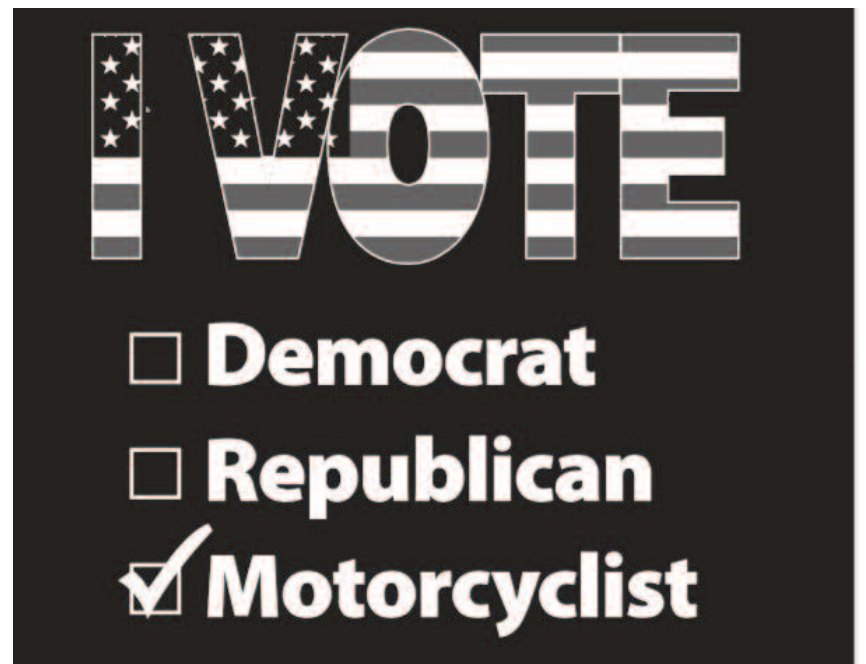


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The purpose of the Masterlink is to provide you, the reader, with access to information that supports the mission of ABATE of Arizona, which is essentially to promote motorcyclists and

motorcycling in a safe and positive manner through education and legislation. Anyone may submit an article or advertisement for publication.

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# Speed Cameras Face Holiday Destruction Worldwide

Over a dozen speed cameras in Canada, France, Italy and UK were taken out between Christmas Eve and the new year.

Remi Gaillard

By Richard Diamond/Staff Reports  
Vigilantes across Europe and North America took time out during the holidays to disable or eliminate the use of over a dozen automated ticketing machines. A truck being used as a speed camera platform in Edmonton, Canada, was damaged after it failed to prevent an accident on Wednesday. The Ford F150 pickup had the message "Drive Safe" emblazoned on its side as it issued automated tickets on a snow and ice-covered Whitemud Drive. The truck collided with an

SUV around 9am.

In Cumbria, England, vigilantes on Christmas Day cut down the pole-mounted speed camera on the A596. In a video posted December 21, French humorist Remi Gaillard posted a video in which he dressed as Santa Claus and posed with a child on his lap in front of a speed camera. Instead of taking a photograph of passing traffic, the device ended up taking a suitable Christmas photo. Gaillard also placed a giant wrapped gift box over a speed camera, thwarting the device's ability to issue tickets until police were dispatched to the scene so that ticket generation could resume.

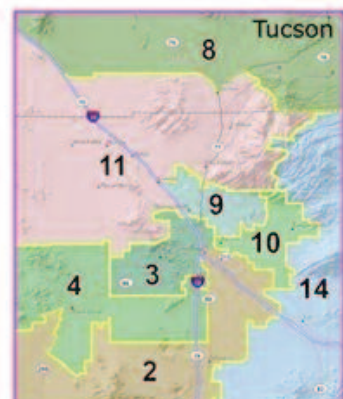
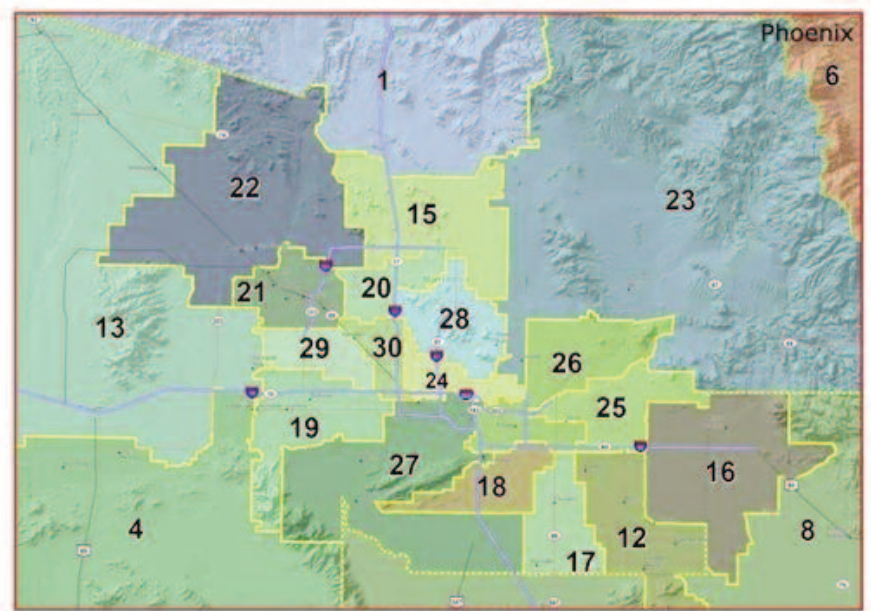
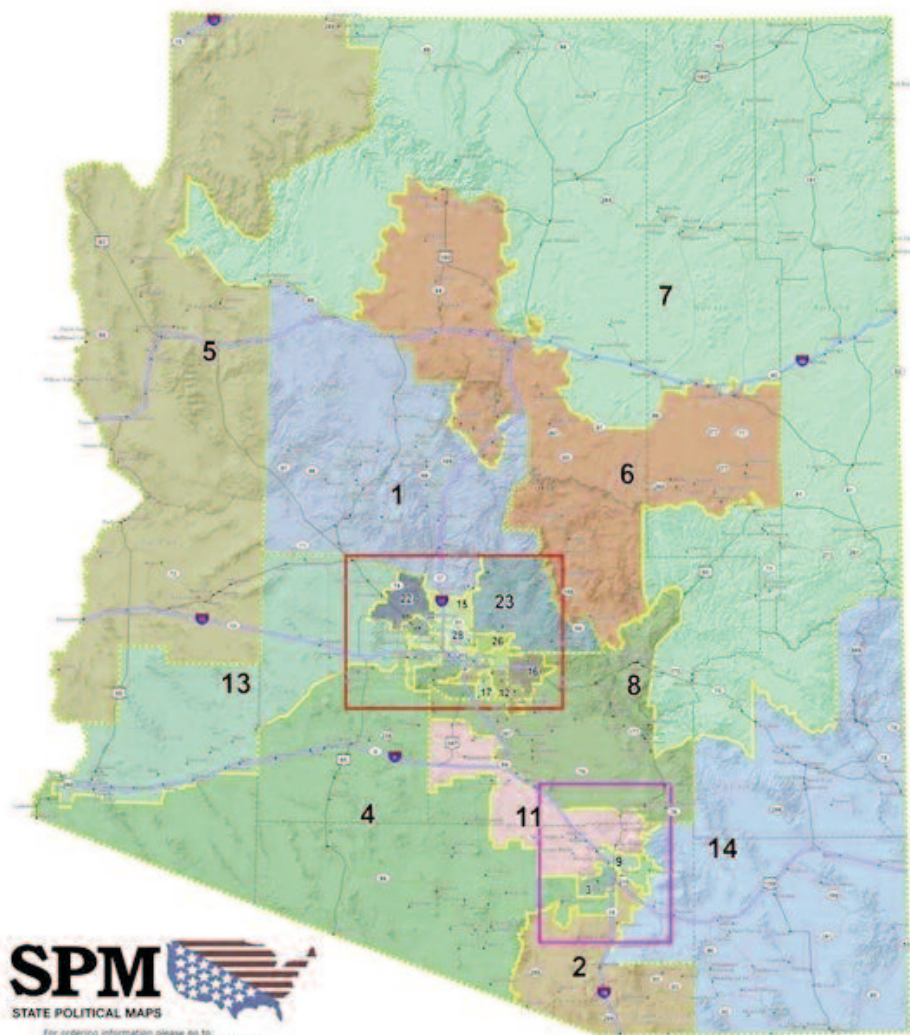
Vigilantes in Saint-Beauzire,

France, celebrated New Year's Eve by setting fire to the speed camera on the RD588. Around the same time, the speed camera on the RD902 in Polignac was blinded with black spraypaint. Bright green spraypaint was applied to the speed camera on the A57 in Toulon on Thursday. Likewise, in Saint-Jean-du-Bois, vigilantes sprayed the speed camera on the RD23 with green paint. The speed camera installed on Tuesday on the RD943 in Chocques was blinded with spraypaint a few hours after it was put into service. Gray paint was used against the speed camera in Arrageois on Monday, December 27. Yellow was the choice of color used to blind the camera on the RD951 in Saint-Julien-l'Ars. On Christmas Day, fire damaged the speed camera on the

RD884 near Peron.

In Lucca, Italy, vigilantes wasted no time on December 30 before using black spraypaint to blind the speed camera that had been installed a few hours earlier that day on the Viale San Concordio. In Bitonto, opponents of automated ticketing once again took action by cutting down the speed camera on the Via Domenico Ricapito on Wednesday. The speed camera on the SP6 in Sgonico disappeared on Christmas Eve, only to be discovered five days later -- it was a mile away behind a bush in Sales. In Cagliari, red spraypaint blinded the speed cameras on the SS131.

## Arizona State House & Senate Districts 2021-2022



State Senate		
District	Name	Party
1	Mark Finchem	R
2	Robynne Carver	D
3	Bobby Baker	R
4	John Huppenthal	R
5	Sam Brannaman	R
6	John Rowland	R
7	Janet Napolitano	D
8	Tim Finchem	R
9	John Rowland	R
10	John Rowland	R
11	John Rowland	R
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State House		
District	Name	Party
1	Gregory Sorensen	R
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## MRF Membership Form

ABATE of Arizona

Mail to: Motorcycle Riders Foundation – PO Box 250 – Highland II 62249 – Phone: 202.546.0983 – www.mrf.org – mrffice@mrf.org

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# 2022 Election Information and Candidate Survey

## from your MRF PAC Committee

All, Attached is a copy of the MRF PAC Candidate Survey for you to use to learn more about the candidates running for Federal House and Senate seats in your state. This can be sent to each candidate individually, or you can use the questions during a meet the candidate session. The questions were created using the MRF's 2022 Federal Legislative Agenda.

The bottom of the last page of the survey

directs the campaign to send the completed survey to either [mrmpac@mrf.org](mailto:mrmpac@mrf.org) or MRF PAC, P.O. Box 512, Highland, IL 62249. When received, your MRF PAC Committee will review their answers and provide feedback to you on the candidate's alignment with MRF legislative priorities.

Very Important Note: Federal law prohibits discussing campaign related issues in official legislative offices in the district

or anywhere on Capitol Hill. You can only discuss election related issues in a candidate's campaign office, at campaign related events, or individually.

Also attached to this email is a listing of Primary election dates and candidate filing dates for each state. This information came from [www.thegreenpapers.com](http://www.thegreenpapers.com), where you can find a host of information about the elections in each state. When filing closes for your state, you can visit

this website to get information on each candidate that has filed for each office.

If you would like to discuss the survey or request a donation for a candidate, feel free to reach out to anyone on your MRF PAC Committee.

Ride Safe - Ride Free,  
J. Ryan Hubbard  
MRF PAC Director  
(309) 267-0606

2022 State Primary Election Dates and Filing Deadlines					
State	Primary	Run off	Candidate Filing Deadlines		
Texas	March 1	May 24	Open: Nov. 13, 2021	Close: Dec. 13, 2021, by 6 p.m. (not later than 6 p.m. on the second Monday in December of an odd-numbered year)	Filing closed
North Carolina	March 8	April 26	Open: Dec. 6, 2021, at noon (no earlier than noon on the first Monday in December)	Close: Dec. 17, 2021, by noon (no later than noon on the third Friday in December preceding the primary)	Filing closed
Indiana	May 3		Open: Jan. 5 (not earlier than 118 days before the primary election)	Close: Feb. 4 (not later than noon 88 days before the primary election).	
Ohio	May 3		Open: N/A	Close: Feb. 2 (not later than 4 p.m. of the 90th day before the day of the primary election)	
Nebraska	May 10		Open: January 5, 2022	Close: Feb. 15, 2022 (filing period shall be between Dec. 1 and Feb.15 prior to the date of the primary election)	
West Virginia	May 10		Open: Jan. 10 (not earlier than the second Monday in January before the primary election day)	Close: Jan. 29 (not later than the last Saturday in January before the primary election day and must be received before midnight ET of that day or, if mailed, shall be postmarked by the United States Postal Service before that hour)	
Kentucky	May 17		Open: Nov. 3, 2021 (not earlier than the first Wednesday after the first Monday in November of the year preceding the year the office will appear on the ballot)	Close: Jan. 7, 2022 (not later than the first Friday following the first Monday in January preceding the day fixed by law for holding the primary)	
Idaho	May 17		Open: Feb. 28, 2022, at 8 a.m. (8 a.m. on the 12th Monday preceding the primary election)	Close: March 11, at 5 p.m. (5 p.m. on the 10th Friday preceding the primary election)	
Oregon	May 17		Open: Sept. 10, 2021 (not sooner than the 250th day before the date of the primary election)	Close: Mar. 8, 2022 (not later than the 70th day before the date of the primary election)	
Pennsylvania	May 17		Open: Feb. 15	Close: March 8 (on or before the 10th Tuesday prior to the primary)	
Alabama	May 24	June 21	Open: N/A	Close: Jan. 28 (not later than 5 p.m. 116 days before the date of the primary election)	
Arkansas	May 24	June 21	Open: Feb. 22, at noon (beginning at noon one week prior to the first day in March)	Close: March 1, at noon (ending at noon on the first day in March)	
Georgia	May 24	June 21	Open: March 7 (9 a.m. on the Monday of the 11th week immediately prior to the state or county primary)	Close: March 11 (noon on the Friday immediately following such Monday, notwithstanding the fact that any such days may be legal holidays)	
California	June 7		Open: Feb. 14	Close: March 11	
Iowa	June 7		Open: Feb. 28 (not earlier than 99 days before the primary election)	Close: March 18 at 5 p.m. (no later than 5 p.m. on the 81st day before the day fixed for holding the primary election)	
Mississippi	June 7	June 28	Open: Jan. 1, 2021 (no such assessments may be paid before Jan. 1 of the year in which the primary election for the office is held)	Close: March 1 (by 5 p.m. on March 1 of the year in which the primary election for the office is held or on the date of the qualifying deadline provided by statute for the office, whichever is earlier)	
Montana	June 7		Open: Jan. 13 (no sooner than 145 days before the election in which the office first appears on the ballot)	Close: March 14 (no later than 5 p.m., 85 days before the date of the primary election)	
New Jersey	June 7		Open: N/A	Close: April 4, by 4 p.m.	
New Mexico	June 7		Open: Feb. 1, at 9 a.m.	Close: Feb. 1, by 5 p.m. (on the first Tuesday in February of each even-numbered year between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.)	
South Dakota	June 7	August 16	Open: Jan. 1	Close: March 29, by 5 p.m. (by the last Tuesday of March at 5 p.m. local time before the date of the primary election; by the last Tuesday of March at 5 p.m. local time before the primary election, if the petition is mailed by registered mail)	
Maine	June 14		Open: N/A	Close: March 15, by 5 p.m.	
Nevada	June 14		Open: March 7 (first Monday in March of the year in which the election is to be held)	Close: March 18, by 5 p.m. (not later than 5 p.m. on the second Friday after the first Monday in March)	
North Dakota	June 14		Open: N/A	Close: April 11, by 4 p.m. (not later than 4 p.m. on the 64th day prior to the day of election)	
South Carolina	June 14	June 28	Open: March 16, at noon	Close: March 30, by noon (noon on March 16 and noon on March 30; next regular business day if March 30 is on a Saturday or Sunday)	
Virginia	June 21		Open: March 14 (not earlier than noon of the 92nd day before the primary)	Close: March 30 at 5 p.m. (not later than 5 p.m. of the 75th day before the primary)	
Colorado	June 28		Open: Jan. 18 (third Tuesday in January)	Close: March 15 (no later than the third Tuesday in March)	
Illinois	June 28		Open: March 7, 2022 (not more than 113 days prior to the date of the primary)	Close: March 14, 2022 (not less than 106 days prior to the date of the primary)	
Maryland	June 28		Open: N/A	Close: Feb. 22, by 9 p.m. (9 p.m. on the last Tuesday in February before the primary election)	
New York	June 28		Open: April 4 (not earlier than the 13th Monday before the primary election)	Close: April 7 (not later than the 12th Thursday preceding the primary election)	



# Motorcycle Riders Foundation-Political Active Cyclists (MRF PAC) 2022 Federal Candidate Survey



## Motorcycle Riders Foundation-Political Active Cyclists (MRF PAC) 2022 Federal Candidate Survey

Please indicate your support or opposition to the questions listed below by placing an X in the appropriate space.

1. Would you support or oppose legislation to better educate and train law enforcement agencies in an effort to end the practice of profiling motorcyclists, which is the illegal use of the fact that a person rides a motorcycle or wears motorcycle related apparel, as a factor in deciding to stop and question, take enforcement action, arrest, or search a person or vehicle with or without legal basis under the Constitution of the United States?  
 Support  Oppose
2. Would you support or oppose autonomous vehicle legislation ensuring motorcycles are part of all testing and development procedures and requiring manufacturers to detail and make public how their vehicles identify motorcycles among other road users?  
 Support  Oppose
3. Would you support or oppose the inclusion of motorcycles in national transportation planning such as intelligent transportation systems, road, toll, user fees, bridge and barrier design?  
 Support  Oppose
4. Would you support or oppose legislation requiring the continued availability for purchase of E-10, or lower ethanol blends, at non-blended fuel pumps throughout the country?  
 Support  Oppose
5. Would you support or oppose legislation directing the EPA to allow the modification of a vehicle's air emission controls if the vehicle is used solely for competition?  
 Support  Oppose
6. Would you support or oppose legislation directing federal agencies (i.e. DOT, NHTSA, NTSB) to emphasize their research and training efforts on crash avoidance rather than 'safer crashing' solutions?  
 Support  Oppose
7. Would you support or oppose legislation directing DOT to change the current definition of a motorcycle, that better reflects the current two- and three-wheel motorcycle landscape?  
 Support  Oppose
8. Would you support or oppose legislation making information gathered by a vehicle event data recorder, or similar system, the property of the vehicle owner?  
 Support  Oppose
9. Would you support or oppose legislation guaranteeing States the right to make their own decisions regarding transportation safety equipment requirements; for example: motorcycle helmets and conspicuity standards, without interference from Congress or federal agencies?  
 Support  Oppose
10. Would you support or oppose legislation to provide States with grants for motorcycle rider training, automobile driver education and awareness, and licensing enforcement?  
 Support  Oppose

Candidate signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

### House Roster

Judy Burges	1	R	Email: JBURGES	Room	
Quang Nguyen	1	R	Email: QNGUYEN	Room	
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Mark Finchem	11	R	Email: MFINCHEM	Room 310	(602) 926-3122
Bret Roberts	11	R	Email: BROBERTS	Room 344	(602) 926-3158
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Gail Griffin	14	R	Email: GGRIFFIN	Room 225	(602) 926-5895
Becky A. Nutt	14	R	Email: BNUTT	Room 207	(602) 926-4852
Steve Kaiser	15	R	Email: SKAISER	Room	
Justin Wilmeth	15	R	Email: JWILMETH	Room	
John Fillmore	16	R	Email: JFILLMORE	Room 303	(602) 926-3187
Jacqueline Parker	16	R	Email: JPARKER	Room	
Jennifer Pawlik	17	D	Email: JPAWLK	Room 118	(602) 926-3193
Jeff Weninger	17	R	Email: JWENINGER	Room 312	(602) 926-3092
Mitzi Epstein	18	D	Email: MEPSTEIN	Room 125	(602) 926-4870
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Diego Espinoza	19	D	Email: DESPINOZA	Room 338	(602) 926-3134
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Shawna Bolick	20	R	Email: SBOLICK	Room 113	(602) 926-3244
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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.

**Documentation of Discrimination**

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ Business Phone \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF ESTABLISHMENT: \_\_\_\_\_

BUSINESS PHONE (with area code): \_\_\_\_\_

BUSINESS - FULL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

NAME / POSITION OF PERSON ENFORCING POLICY: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

WRITTEN STATEMENT OF DISCRIMINATION (use back if needed): \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

YOUR NAME (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

YOUR PHONE (with area code): \_\_\_\_\_

YOUR SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*\* INCLUDE ANY PICTURES OF DISCRIMINATING SIGNS POSTED \*\*\*

Mail To:

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7509 N. 12<sup>th</sup> St, #200

Phoenix AZ 85020

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 24-Hr. Motorcycle Legislative Alerts

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

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

**Motorcycle Riders Foundation**  
**Washington D.C. Office**  
**(202) 546-0983**



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Please send resume to: [deb@mrfae.org](mailto:deb@mrfae.org) & [secretary@mrfae.org](mailto:secretary@mrfae.org)

Ride Aware,

Deborah Butitta  
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 928-308-1117

**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 July 15th 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.



**MOTORCYCLE RIDERS FOUNDATION  
 AWARENESS & EDUCATION  
 Young Activist Scholarship Fund Nomination Form**

**PLEASE PRINT**

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_  
 CANDIDATE NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
 CANDIDATE STREET ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
 CANDIDATE CITY, STATE, ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_  
 EMAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
 CANDIDATE PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_  
 MEMBER OF (SMRO): \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION ON A SEPARATE PIECE OF PAPER:**

- 1) Please explain why you feel this person should be selected.
- 2) Other considerations: Explain any extenuating circumstances that you feel are appropriate! Job, Family, School, Finances, etc.
- 3)

SUBMITTED BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
 POSITION (State/Local SMRO Presiding Officer): \_\_\_\_\_  
 SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

Mail Nomination Form to: Paulette Korte, PO BOX 250, HIGHLAND, IL 62249  
 Phone: 618-980-5622, E-Mail: [secretary@mrfae.org](mailto:secretary@mrfae.org)



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## Carson City Run

<https://blog.bikernet.com>

Hey,

We blasted out of Boulder Canyon between Deadwood and Sturgis, South Dakota at 4:00 in the morning last Friday. There was a deal on a 1948 ULH 80 Flathead Harley, the last year. An ex-longtime Paughco employee Steve H. was struggling and needed cash.

We sought various options, but then the weather cleared, and we needed bolt early to miss the next snow. As it turned out we ran into some snow in Wyoming, but no big deal.

We powered through to Wendover where lodging was scarce, but we bunked in at the Best Western and they treated us well and the morning coffee was stellar.

We rolled alongside the Paughco Headquarters at 2:00 p.m. on the dot. After a meeting with the grand emperor of the Paughco empire, Ron Paugh we did the deal and made for Downtown Carson City and the Courtyard Marriot, which got a very low score from us. I'd watch out for those guys.

Regarding Paughco, they are perhaps the largest most trusted manufacturer of custom and old Harley replacement parts in the industry. Their product line is massive, and they do it all in house. I'll get into that more as we start on project bike builds for this year as soon as my shop is completed.

Let's hit the news, then I'll tell you about the rest of the knockout 1,100-mile Flathead blast and shop progress. It's screaming together.

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NEWS FROM THE PRISM GANG-- Paradise Road Show

We just got back from a trip out west to see a bunch of our friends at the Paradise Road Show. Our trip started with a visit to the Cycle Zombies crew where we got to see Beach Pig and Tropical Beef, Matty Matheson's two pan-heads that feature a slew of our parts.

After that, we got to see the show in Palm Springs at The Saguaro. Our friend Jonny shot some photos while perusing The Golden State, so keep scrolling to enjoy his pics from our trip.

--Prism Gang

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DEPARTURE BIKE WORKS BONNE BELLE PROGRESS REPORT—Brian one of the new partners reports: We had an issue with the Timken set pushing the crank assembly too far over to one side in the case, no allowing bother cases to close together properly.

I was able to tur the lip off the ounpout shaft in order to get us back to where we need to be. We are sending the flywheels out to be cut for active balance at the balance master.

The cylinders are being fit to pistons currently.

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RESPECT TODAY--If you don't think every day is a good day, just try missing one.

--Cavett Robert

I refuse to allow anything or anyone to disturb my peace of mind.

I Let Go of yesterday and the fears of tomorrow by living fully in the Present. I will not condemn or judge anyone or anything, even the guy who cuts me off in traffic.

I find an opportunity in each second and refuse to waist one precious moment of my day. I make choices to block out any old tapes playing in my head of doubt, regrets or negativity. As my day unfolds, I return to these words to remind myself of my commitment to Live large. I don't know how many days I have left on this plain, so I commit to this Consciousness constantly.

Today is a gift and I am so Grateful for It. Make it the best day ever! As I Pause at the end of Today, I will look back and just smile and say Thank You. And So It is...

Namaste'

"Dare to live the life you have dreamed for yourself. Go forward and make your dreams come true." - Ralph Waldo Emerson

I hope everyone who is reading these words is having a Great Day and if you are not you do have the right to change it right now.

--Yale

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THE COOL ANTI-DOOM READ OF THE DAY—by Ed Berry, PhD

The journal, Science of Climate Change, published my landmark scientific paper on December 14, 2021.

My paper, and papers by Murry Salby and Hermann Harde, are checkmate proof that natural CO2, not human CO2, causes most of the increase in atmospheric CO2. Physics proves our CO2 does not change our climate.

In 1992, Al Gore claimed,

"Only an insignificant fraction of scientists deny the global warming crisis. The time for debate is over. The science is settled."

I attended the meeting in the San Francisco Bay area where Bush's toady told some 100 climate physicists like me that we were out of a job. They did not want physicists to tell them our CO2 does not cause climate change. They wanted and would fund only ecologists to write reports on the damage humans do by burning carbon fuels.

The dark side propagates its climate fraud by trying to scare you with its claimed consequences if you do not do what they tell you to do. Fear causes us to abandon our logic and common sense. Likely, the witch doctors of old used the same techniques.

How to understand the climate fraud.

Almost Every day, the news media tells us about a new "climate catastrophe." The subliminal message is "because it's bad, you caused it."

The climate fraud may be the mother of all frauds. Belief in IPCC's core assumption dumbs us down and makes us susceptible to other frauds, like gun control and COVID mandates.

They say, "natural CO2 emissions stayed constant and human CO2 caused the problem." This is the ecological nonsense of "Nature is Good, Human is Bad."

My book Climate Miracle explains in a short read the logic you need to defend yourself against climate alarmism.

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