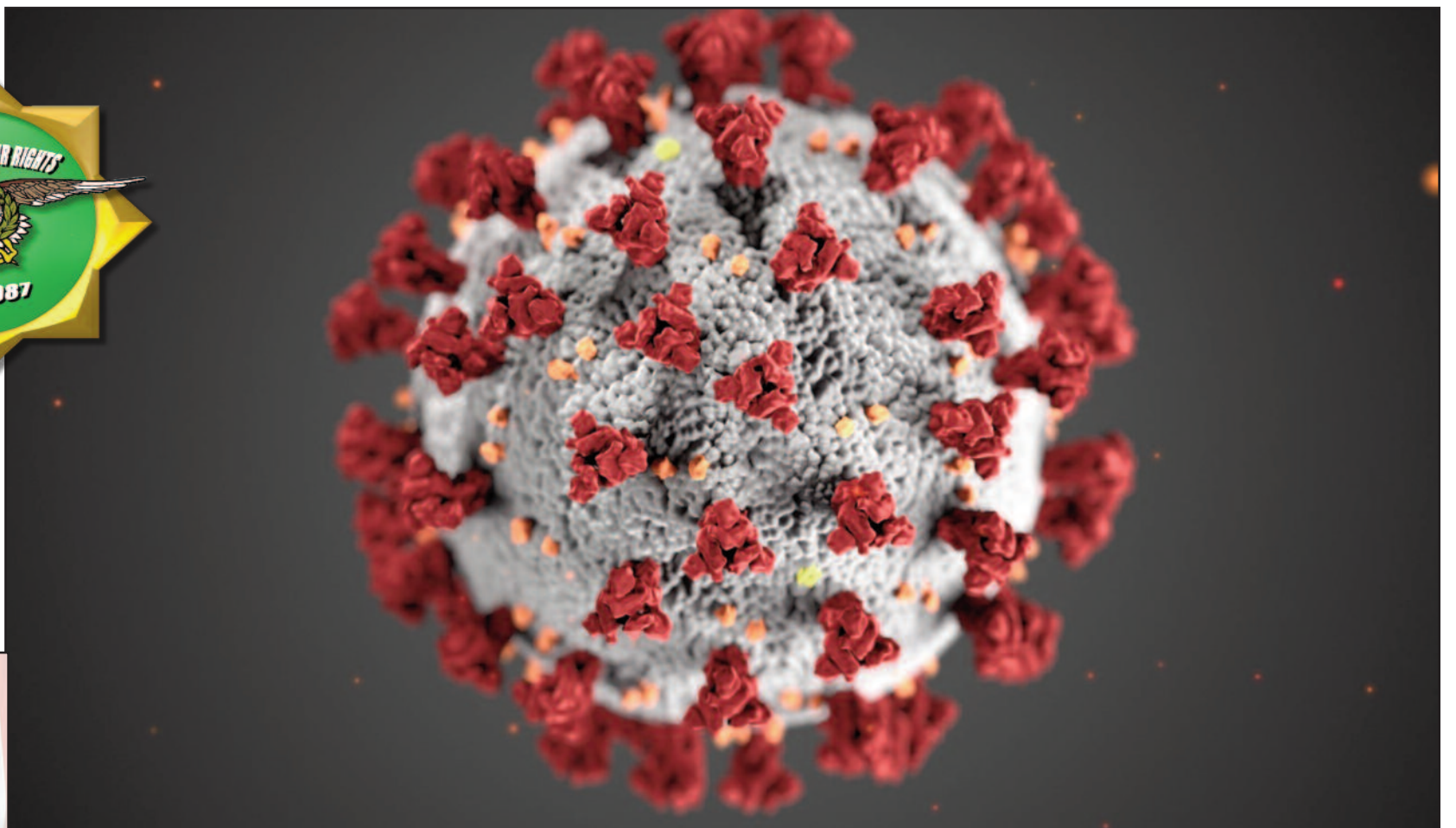


COVID-19, VACCINES, VARIANTS



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Mike Infanzon
 Legislative Director

COVID-19, vaccines, variants; the return from remote work and schooling (or not); the Great Resignation. 2021 has been no less remarkable than last, but what might 2022 hold? Rather than trying to look into a crystal ball and predict what will happen, we should just prepare for whatever the year throws at us.

As Sun Tzu said, "Victorious

warriors win first and then go to war, while defeated warriors go to war first and then seek to win."

ABATE is the legislative watchdog for the motorcycle community in Arizona. I have always felt it was our responsibility as an organization to not only fight for motorcyclists' rights and freedoms but to build a organization of warriors for freedom.

Step one is the annual officer training and recruiting others to be involved in the fight for freedom.

There are a few things I wanted to share with our membership.

Motorcycle Lobby Day will be held on January 18th. This is a day to meet with your state legislators and share the motorcycle

legislative agenda with them.

2022 is an election year. One of the line items in the Legislative budget is state funds to help chapters host town hall events. If you have any questions, feel free to contact myself or Will Cleveland, your state PAC officer.

We have a lot to do this session. Watch for legislative updates and calls to action throughout the session.

I am planning to hit all the chapters meetings at least a few times throughout the year. So, I will see you all face to face soon.

Be good to one another.
 Mike

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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.

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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.
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Mohave County Chapter meetings are held the 3rd Monday of the month 6:00 PM at:
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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 abateofazsac@yahoo.com

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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.

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Treasurer.....Brianna Wilkinson
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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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Safety Coordinator.....Dixie Gray
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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.

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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

2021 Mid-South M.I.L.E.

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Late last month, over a hundred bikers gathered in Dallas, Texas for the 29th annual Mid-South M.I.L.E. event. Like the Midwest's Heartland STEAM event, the Mid-South M.I.L.E. brings together bikers from neighboring states to discuss legislative priorities, share ideas and build relationships. Representatives from Arkansas, Kansas, Louisiana, Missouri, Oklahoma, and Texas, all participated in the two-day event. The "M.I.L.E." stands for

"Motorcyclists Improving Legislative Effectiveness," and there is no doubt that the program in Dallas lived up to its billing

The Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF) was proud to present a federal legislative update, as well as share tips and tricks on effective lobbying strategies. Other topics by presenters included: Five Steps to Freedom, How to Ensure Success at the State Capitol, Preserving Evidence at the Scene of an Accident and Motorcycle MythBusters.

Without a doubt, the highlight of the weekend was the dinner banquet, were

Congress Michael Burgess (R-TX), the Co-Chairman of the House Motorcycle Caucus, gave the keynote address. Congressman Burgess shared stories about his history in motorcycling and his efforts to combat profiling and the expansion of ethanol mandates. Congressman Burgess was the 2018 MRF Legislative Champion of the year and made sure to wear his award vest during his visit.

Like similar events, the Mid-South M.I.L.E. left bikers energized and motivated to continue the fight to defend our freedoms. Thanks to the organizers who invited the MRF to attend and the volun-

teers who put on a fantastic event. As you might guess, the hospitality room was Texas sized with great food and drink. And it's true everything's bigger in Texas!

We are counting down the days until the 30th Mid-South M.I.L.E. in Kansas next year.

The Masterlink is digital.

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

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.

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President's Report



Hello ABATE Family,

Now all the voting sessions are or should be completed and all chapters should have sent their results to State Secretary, State Treasure, and State Membership officers; also to the Master Link for public notice and be added in the system so they can do their jobs efficiently. Thank you everyone for your hard work.

Saturday, January 8, 2022, is the new officers training day; new State Officers as well as new chapter officers will take their positions. The training will be at the AAIC in Phoenix @ 10:30. The training will take approximately one hour. There will be light snack provided. Be prepared to take lots of notes to take back to your chapters. We are

in need of some past officers to come and help with some of the training. If you're able to assist please let myself or Dee Grady, State Secretary, know you're willing. Thank you in advance.

I personally look at life's journey, as learning new things so I can take the knowledge I have learned to the next chapter in my life.

I personally look at life's journey, as learning new things so I can take the knowledge I have learned to the next chapter in my life . I would never ask someone to do something that I myself have not done; I believe we are all in ABATE for the same reason "Freedom of the Road," protecting our rights as motorcyclists and educating government and the public about our goals. We are a rare and

unique family that share the same interest, and you can find an ABATE in almost every state your journey takes you through. Thank you for your continued support in ABATE. This is my last report as President and would like to thank everyone for your support these past two years. Please read Reflections that describes the past two years in State Office.

Keep the rubber side down and continue to watch for those who are not watching for us. Stay safe family.

Your President for ABATE of Arizona,
Moon Shine

Reflections

What an honor and a privilege it has been to be your President for the past two years.

Here is a little bit of what the State Officers had gone through over this time.

Very few of us had been a State Officer before and our training was very limited, if any at all.

Our first meeting was like looking down the table at a bunch of deers' eyes in head lights wondering what we were doing. But we managed to get New Tri Folds for membership applications.

We lost two officers through resignation early in our position. One officer moved away, another had family issues and could no longer finish the term. (We = ABATE of AZ)

We dealt with the shut down due to Covid 19.

We got a new board of directors and a new chair of the Board our first year in office.

We had to cancelled Too Broke For Sturgis 2020.

We started up a new chapter in the Kingman area.

We almost lost two chapters; one pulled through and the other we will see where it goes this coming year. ABATE of Arizona got a young activists award at Meeting of the Minds in Indiana.

We were able to get a lobby day at the capital and still have motorcycle day at the dome. But, some changes will take place; I will let to our Lobbyist and State P.A.C. fill you in on all the exiting changes.

We were able to have Too Broke For Sturgis 2021. We had very little lead time before we knew if we were going to be able to hold the event this year. We literally had about 70 days before we knew it was a go. Then it was crunch time, but managed to pull it off and made a nice profit. I want to personal apologize for not getting out and meeting with people, I

was at merchandise the whole event. More volunteers would be nice for future events even if you feel you can only put in for a couple hours and give breaks it really helps alot. Remember if you put in 8 hours volunteering your ticket for the event is free.

The AZCMC acknowledge us as helping them with their 50/50 sales at ?Riot on The River?, one of the best they had. Thank you everyone who helped out. We had yet another officer need to step away who was planning on coming back, was involved in a head on collision and will take some time to get back with us . He is truly missed in the ABATE State Officers meetings. Prayers go out to him and his family.

When stepping into your new positions Officers it important to remember your very first job is to start looking for your replacement. This could take some time but the right person getting training early on will be able to take on the position at a later time. So start looking.

What a Two years it's been your new/old

President For ABATE of Arizona is no stranger in our family; coming out of retirement is Jim Butsbak!

I am glad I could fill this position for you to be able get to things situated in your personal life. Oh and by the way there is more to it than kissing babies! LOL.

Who knows maybe in another two years my journey may bring me back to run again.

I have met so many new people and now consider them as my extended family. I will miss seeing them every month. Stay Safe and hope to see you down the road. If you're ever in the Kingman Area and need a place to crash while your here, let me know. I'm not far from the Route 66 run. Open invite for my extended family. One thing though must love dogs. LOL

ML&R your past President for ABATE of Arizona,

Moonshine.



Phoenix Police DOJ Investigation Update

In August 2021, the US Department of Justice announced it is investigating the City of Phoenix Police Department. This investigation will assess all types of use of force by PhxPD officers, including deadly force. The investigation will also seek to determine whether PhxPD engages in retaliatory activity against people for conduct protected by the First Amendment; whether PhxPD engages in discriminatory policing; and whether PhxPD unlawfully seizes or disposes of the belongings of individuals experiencing homelessness. In addition, the investigation will assess the City and PhxPD's systems and practices for responding to people with disabilities. The investigation

will include a comprehensive review of PhxPD policies, training, supervision, and force investigations, as well as PhxPD's systems of accountability, including misconduct complaint intake, investigation, review, disposition, and discipline.

The investigation is being conducted pursuant to the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994, which prohibits state and local governments from engaging in a pattern or practice of conduct by law enforcement officers that deprives individuals of rights protected by the Constitution or federal law. The statute allows the Department of Justice to remedy such misconduct through civil

litigation. This is the seventy-third investigation of a law enforcement agency conducted pursuant to this statute since it was enacted in 1994. The department will be assessing law enforcement practices under the First, Fourth, and Fourteenth Amendments to the United States Constitution, as well as under the Safe Streets Act of 1968; Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964; and Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

DOJ Investigation Update
Week of November 29
Members of the Phoenix Police Department Liaison Team meet with the Crisis Community Collaborative to

answer questions regarding the DOJ Investigation. City meets with staff from Minneapolis on the status of their DOJ investigation. City conducts interviews with several law firms who submitted offers for outside counsel in the DOJ investigation. Staff attends workshops and discussions surrounding those experiencing homelessness and constitutional policing under consent decrees with other entities. Staff attends a demonstration of the e-discovery tool to process documents for DOJ production.

Chapter Reports

Coyote Pass

NO REPORT.

High Country

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Mohave Chapter

There is not a lot to post this month for a chapter report, so short and sweet. Tomorrow, Sat., Dec. 11 th., the Mohave Chapter is having their chapter Christmas party at the VFW in Golden Valley. Monday, Dec. 20 th. would be our next scheduled chapter meeting, at our Nov. meeting it was voted to forego the monthly meeting due to being so close to Christmas.

The Mohave Chapter would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Tom Aydt
Mohave Chapter Coordinator

Phoenix/Shadow Mountain

I have been very fortunate with the officers I have had since I have been coordinator for Phoenix Shadow Mountain. They have all stood up and help make this chapter a great chapter. I myself couldn't do it on my own.

Lyn Peterson, Secretary, she always made sure I had what I needed, from the agenda to telling me to stay on track, correcting me when needed and pushing me to be a great coordinator. Lyn made it easy for me. Thank you I will miss you sitting next to me telling me to move this on or to stay on track, we are getting away from the topic. You are the best. Thank you.

William Driggers, Membership. Thank you for all you do. From helping me with setting up booths to helping me with set up and take down up at Too Broke. We disagreed on a few things, but we always figured it out. You always had membership taken care of. Thank you.

Tara Rudometkin, Treasury. You are the best. You made sure we always had money in the bank. you would always let

me know if I was overspending and if we could afford to do what I wanted to do. Always there to answer my calls or emails. you worked so hard to keep the books straight and made sure we were operating in the black. You are going to be missed. Thank you

Jerry Davis, Sergeant-at-Arms. How do you talk about a guy the puts it all out there the way he does? Squat and drop it, the way he says it gets your attention. Always the to oppose whatever it is that we are voting on. He is a guy that likes his donuts. Thank you for all you do.

Thank you all.

Nolan Steed,

Coordinator

Phoenix Shadow Mountain

Superstition Chapter

NO REPORT.

Southern Arizona Chapter

Happy New Year from Southern Arizona! Considering all of the challenges that faced us in 2021, we had a very successful year! Southern Arizona had a large

turnout for our Motorcycle Day at the Dome this year, several Southern Arizona Chapter members attended the MRF's Meeting of the Minds, our chapter membership and participation numbers are up and our ABATE Bike Nights this fall are taking off!

Our eyes are looking forward to 2022 with great enthusiasm, starting with Legislative Lobby Day on Wednesday, January 18th, our ABATE Bike Nights will continue forward and then our Annual SAVAHCS Fisher House Fundraiser/Ride coming up in the Spring! Bring on the New Year! Have a memorable and safe Holiday Season from all of us in Southern Arizona!

Anissa "Dragonfly" Huntington

Yavapai Chapter

NO REPORT.

Yuma Chapter

NO REPORT.

Moon Mullins Ride

Phoenix Shadow Mountain put on the Moon Mullins ride Nov 19 2020. We started out at the Maverick Saloon, and we rode to the Needles recreation site on the Verde River. we rode under a full moon. it was a great night and I want to

thank everyone for coming out. it was a cool night under the full moon. One-t and his brother got there early and set up a table and chairs and brought drinks for everyone. can't wait till the next one we had some great people show up, Ben and

Teresa brought a friend, Mary K, Ernie Lizarraga and he brought a friend and myself. What a great night. Thank you all for coming out for the ride under the full moon.

Thank you

Nolan Steed
Phoenix Shadow Mountain
Coordinator

National and Regional News

Washington D.C. — On Nov. 15 President Biden signed into law a roughly \$1 trillion bipartisan infrastructure bill — the largest investment into the nation's infrastructure in nearly a decade — after it narrowly passed through a divided congress.

Officially called the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, the bill aims to improve the country's economic competitiveness by rebuilding the nation's crumbling infrastructure and creating jobs, which independent analysts from S&P Global claim could be as many as 1 million new jobs created over the next decade.

On roads and bridges, \$110 billion will be spent on surface repairs, construction and funding for major projects. Under this portion, the bill also establishes the first-ever Safe Streets and Roads for All program to support projects to reduce traffic fatalities.

For motorcyclists, the bill reauthorizes the Recreational Trails Program that serves as a critical funding mechanism for motorized and non-motorized trails using a portion of the federal gas tax paid by off-highway vehicles. A previous House ver-

sion of the bill included a significant increase in funding to better reflect the federal gas tax revenue derived from off-highway vehicles, but the Senate opted to keep existing funding levels for the program.

The bill also reauthorizes the Motorcyclist Advisory Council for another six years. The MAC advises the U.S. Department of Transportation on infrastructure issues of concern to motorcyclists. The AMA chaired the most recent iteration of the MAC which was disbanded in late 2020 after submitting a set of recommendations to the Secretary of Transportation. This legislation increases the MAC's membership to include more motorcyclist voices. It also requires more rounds of recommendations from the Council and responses from U.S. DOT in order to allow the MAC to delve deeper into the issues raised by previous iterations of the Council.

Road safety grants to states administered by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration that include specific motorcyclist safety grants get an increase of more than 20 percent over the current funding authorization. As spending rolls out, the AMA will be posting updates and

reporting on its progress on advocating for spending that can directly benefit members.

Also, the Build Back Better Act as it passed the House triples the electric motorcycle tax credit. Currently the credit is good for 10% of the cost of the bike up to \$2,500. The bill triples that to 30% up to \$7,500 for new electric motorcycles with a battery capacity of at least 2.5 Kilowatt hours. The bill is currently in the Senate with an uncertain future there.

Tokyo, Japan — Kawasaki Heavy Industries and Yamaha Motor have begun exploring the joint development of a hydrogen engine for possible use in two-wheeled vehicles. Going forward, they are planned to be joined by Honda Motor Co and Suzuki Motor Corporation. The four Japanese automakers intend to jointly explore the possibility of achieving carbon neutrality through the use of internal combustion engines in two-wheeled vehicles. To ensure the four companies maintain a distinct line between cooperation and competition, they intend to proceed after establishing a framework that will clearly define areas of cooperation and collaborative research.

Since 2010, Kawasaki has been focusing on hydrogen as a next-generation energy source and has been developing technologies for producing, transporting, and using hydrogen throughout the entire supply chain needed to support society. Kawasaki is currently conducting verification tests for transporting large-quantity, low-cost hydrogen to Japan produced from Australian lignite. By the end of fiscal 2021, it plans to transport hydrogen using its in-house-constructed, first-in-the-world purpose-built liquefied hydrogen carrier, the Suiso Frontier. Also, based on hydrogen combustion technologies cultivated through the creation of the world's first successful urban-area, 100 percent hydrogen-fueled gas turbine power generation technology for which it completed development in 2018, Kawasaki Heavy Industries is developing hydrogen-fueled engines for land, sea, and air mobility applications, such as for aircraft, ships, and two-wheeled vehicles.

Meanwhile, Yamaha Motor is developing hydrogen engine technology for possible use in its two-wheeled vehicles, ROV (four-wheeled recreational off-highway vehicle) series, and other products.



Coast to Coast

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U.S. EXPERIENCES LARGEST 6-MONTH INCREASE IN TRAFFIC DEATHS EVER

U.S. traffic deaths soared in the first six months of 2021, making for the most deadly 6-month period ever recorded. An estimated 20,160 people died in motor vehicle crashes on U.S. roads, an 18.4% increase from the same period in 2020, announced the U.S. Department of Transportation's NHTSA (National Highway Traffic Safety Administration).

Traffic deaths surged after Coronavirus lockdowns ended in 2020 as more drivers engaged in unsafe behavior like speeding and lack of seatbelt use, according to NHTSA behavioral research findings. That made for the largest six-month increase ever recorded in the Fatality Analysis Reporting System's history, which has been in use since 1975.

As U.S. roads became less crowded, some motorists perceived police were less likely to issue tickets because of CoViD-19, experts said. Incidents of road rage and driving under the influence were also found to be higher than before the pandemic. Travel on U.S. roads was up 13% in the first half com-

pared to a year earlier.

"This is a crisis," noted Pete Buttigieg, the transportation secretary, adding that the rising traffic deaths left "countless loved ones behind," he said. "We cannot and should not accept these fatalities as simply a part of everyday life in America."

Buttigieg announced the Department's first-ever National Roadway Safety Strategy to launch in January with a comprehensive set of actions to reverse the current trend.

The initiative will be rooted in the Safe System or approach to roadway design that takes human error into account, first put into effect in Sweden's Vision Zero in the 1990s, with the goal of eliminating all road deaths and serious injuries.

BBB AND ELECTRIC MOTORCYCLES

It's not law yet, and many political insiders don't believe it ever will be in its present form, but the Biden Administration's "Build Back Better Act" as currently written includes a tax credit toward the purchase of qualifying two- or three-wheeled electric vehicles, of 30% of the purchase price, up to a credit of \$7,500.

What kinds of bikes qualify for this

credit; you may wonder? For starters, only motorcycles made "for use on public streets, roads, and highways" make the grade. Additionally, qualifying vehicles must be capable of achieving speeds of at least 45 miles per hour, and be powered by a 2.5kWh or greater battery.

Unfortunately, that also means that low-speed electric motorbikes (and scooters), often used for urban transport, do not meet the criteria for this credit. Additionally, while a \$7,500 tax credit sounds like a sweet incentive, your electric motorbike purchase must cost at least \$25,000 to hit that ceiling.

Various criteria, such as a taxpayer's modified adjusted gross income, can also affect the available tax credit offered. If married, taxpayers paying jointly make over \$500,000 in a year, or \$250,000 if filing as single taxpayers, the credit goes away completely.

The nearly \$2-trillion BBB, H.R. 5376, has passed in the House of Representatives and now awaits further action in the U.S. Senate when Congress returns from Holiday recess.

ELECTRIC COALITION PLANS MASSIVE INCREASE IN CHARGING STATIONS

In America, with its wide-open spaces, one of the biggest hurdles to EV adop-

tion is range anxiety, and while cars manufacturers have made great strides in addressing this issue, electric bike OEMs still face an uphill ride due to size and shape limitations. Still, all EVs traversing American roads could stand to gain if the National Electric Highway Coalition has its way.

Simply stated, the NEHC wants to provide DC fast charging infrastructure along "major U.S. travel corridors" by the end of 2023. With current projections estimating that around 22 million EVs will take to U.S. roads by 2030, the Edison Electric Institute estimates the need for around 100,000 EV fast charging ports readily available from coast to coast.

That's a tall order, considering the U.S. Department of Energy current lists a total of 5,644 DC fast chargers across the entire United States. By the EEI's own estimates, that's nowhere near enough.

A total of 53 separate energy companies across the U.S. formed this NEHC power company coalition, with most being investor-owned energy companies from whom many of us receive our electric bills every month.

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- 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

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- 2019** Helped pass legislation excluding "slingshot" type 3 wheeled vehicles from class M applicability signed by Governor April 2019

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Coast to Coast (continued)

“EEI and our member companies are leading the clean energy transformation, and electric transportation is key to reducing carbon emissions across our economy,” according to EEI President Tom Kuhn. “With the formation of the National Electric Highway Coalition, we are committed to investing in and providing the charging infrastructure necessary to facilitate electric vehicle growth and to helping alleviate any remaining customer range anxiety.”

EUROPEAN MOTORCYCLE MANUFACTURER ASSOCIATION REVEALS FUTURE GOALS

Despite the growth and development in the electric mobility sector, the European Association of Motorcycle Manufacturers (ACEM) wants to go much further by 2030. On November 17, 2021, ACEM held an online conference to introduce its Vision 2030+. The strategic documents lay out a roadmap for the European motorcycle industry to continue development in conjunction with regional decarbonization goals. European Parliament and European Commission policy-makers were in attendance as well as industry leaders.

“The Vision 2030+ that we are presenting today is the result of a long-term reflection at the highest levels of the European motorcycle industry,” said ACEM Vice-President and Head of BMW Motorcycles Dr. Markus Schramm. “Vision 2030+ is about the future of mobility but also about the valuable contribution our industry can make to help Europe achieve its goals in areas such as industrial policy, decarbonization, and road safety.”

The presenters stressed the importance of cooperation among manufacturers such as the Swappable Batteries Consortium, but also noted that alternative fuels play a major role in meeting future goals. New proposals like the Fit for 55 package and alternative fuel deployment initiatives are all aimed at achieving the objectives set forth by the European Green Deal and the European Climate Law. Under the two bills, the E.U. is expected to reduce emissions by 55% by 2030.

“Through this Vision 2030+, the motorcycle industry is gearing up to be a part

of tomorrow’s European transport system, with advanced and increasingly sustainable products meeting different societal needs, such as personal mobility, leisure, and last-mile deliveries,” concluded ACEM Secretary General Antonio Perlot. “Recognition and support by policymakers will be key to turn it into reality.”

AI BEING DEVELOPED TO PREDICT AND AVOID COLLISIONS

Honda has announced that they will be embarking on an ambitious program to help make our streets safer by incorporating predictive Artificial Intelligence technology into driving and riding Honda automobiles and motorcycles.

“Honda will strive for zero traffic collision fatalities involving Honda motorcycles and automobiles globally by 2050,” said Honda CEO, Toshihiro Mibe. Mibe also added that to eliminate motorcycle collision fatalities especially in emerging countries, Honda will “continue to strengthen research on safety technologies that enable motorcycles and automobiles to safely coexist and lead the way in realizing a collision-free society.”

With Honda’s “Safe and Sound Technology,” information about potential risks in the traffic environment, which are detected based on information obtained from roadside cameras, onboard cameras and smartphones, will be aggregated in the server to reproduce that traffic environment in the virtual space. In that virtual space, in consideration of the conditions and characteristics of each individual road user, the system predicts/simulates the behaviors of road users at high risk of a collision. Then, the system derives the most appropriate support information to help the road users avoid such risks.

Such support information will be communicated intuitively to automobile drivers, motorcycle riders, and pedestrians through “cooperative risk HMI (human-machine interface),” which will make it possible for the system to encourage road users to take action to avoid a collision before it happens.

According to Honda, the company is targeting the testing and effectiveness

of the system within the next few years, while standardization with industry-wide private-public collaboration will commence after 5 years. Honda also hopes to deploy the technology for “real world” applications sometime after 2030.

MOTORCYCLE EVENTS ONCE AGAIN CANCELED DUE TO CHINA VIRUS

Just as we thought the world was beginning to return to some semblance of normalcy, the global pandemic seems to be striking back with a vengeance, especially as majority of the Northern Hemisphere is right in the thick of winter. Several countries have seen massive increases in Coronavirus cases, particularly worrisome mutations, which unfortunately spells disaster for numerous motorcycling events -- be it indoors or outside -- such as The Elephant Rally, iconic IMOT, and high-adrenaline Supercross Dortmund, as biker gatherings across Europe are being postponed or have gotten the axe.

The racing scene, too, is not left without its casualties, as the Dortmund 2022 motocross series has also been canceled.

With worldwide travel bans, health mandates and safety restrictions once again set in place to curb the spread of the virus, hopes remain high that the events we motorcycle riders are so passionate about will return to the calendar soon.

OF CONCERN; 4 OUT OF 5 KINDERGARTNERS CAN'T RIDE A BICYCLE

Ryan McFarland, the founder of Strider kids bicycles, told his motorcycle industry audience at the Orange County IMS Outdoors event that today only one in five kindergartners know how to ride a bicycle.

Similarly, most young drivers today have never learned to use a clutch to drive a car with a manual transmission.

Most motorcycles require both balance and use of a clutch, and in the past one could assume that new motorcycle customers would already be familiar with both.

Not-so-much today, but the motorcycle industry is aware of both of these challenges, and are developing new rider programs, power assist bicycles, and new technologies such as clutchless shifting and continuously variable transmissions, as well as more affordable rides.

No, today we can't count on as many kids riding bicycles or teens learning to drive a stick, but the motorcycle industry is working hard in other ways to attract new riders.

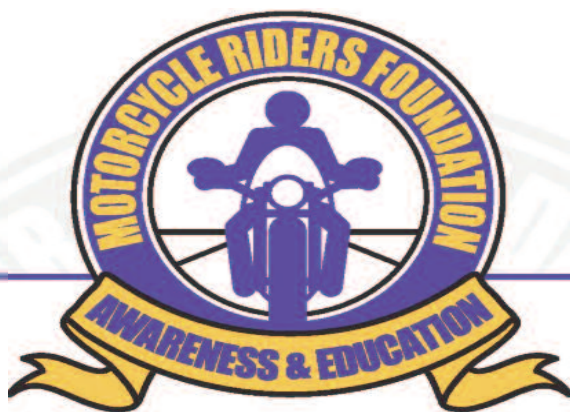
THEFT ALERT: THIEVES USING APPLE TECH TO TRACK VEHICLES OF INTEREST

Apple created AirTags to help users find commonly misplaced items like keys or luggage. When paired to an Apple device via Bluetooth, each AirTag allows the owner to track the item's whereabouts. Hidden AirTags have even been used to track down stolen vehicles, including motorcycles.

However, AirTags don't just let the user track their belongings, they also allow thieves to track other people's property. Authorities have discovered that crooks are stashing AirTags on luxury vehicles, out of the owner's sight. Once the thief tracks the automobile (or motorcycle) to the owner's residence, they can steal it once out of the public's eye.

"Inspect your vehicle regularly and call police if you notice any suspicious potential tracking devices," suggested the York Regional Police in Ontario, Canada. "If possible, park your vehicle in a locked garage," and "consider purchasing a quality video surveillance system."

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ABATE of Arizona Chapter Meeting Times and Locations

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

Phoenix / Shadow Mountain Chapter

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

Southern Arizona Chapter

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

Yavapai Chapter

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. 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. We would love to see you there.

Mohave Chapter

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

Superstition Chapter

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

Coyote Pass Chapter

The Coyote Chapter of ABATE meets at the American Legion Building, 225 E. Oak St. Kingman, AZ 86401, on the second Monday of each month at 6:00pm.

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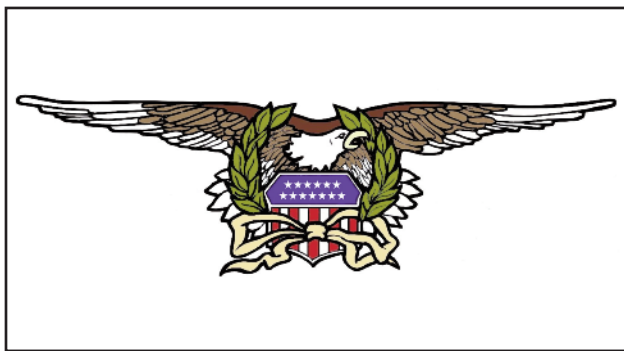
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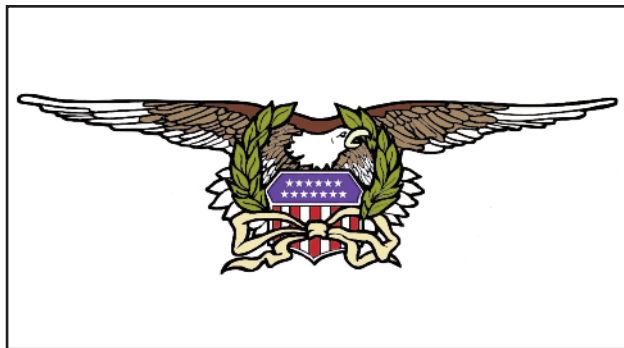
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Harley's electric motorcycle division to go public via \$1.7 billion SPAC deal

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Key Points :

Harley-Davidson's electric-motorcycle division will go public through a merger with a blank-check firm in a deal valued at \$1.77 billion, the company said on Monday.

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A broader awareness about climate change is also paving the way for automakers to lean towards greener vehi-

cles. Valuations have gained as money managers are also increasingly factoring in ESG policies in their investments.

Harley is the latest to cash in on an uptick in valuations of electric-vehicle makers. Last month, Amazon-backed EV maker Rivian shot past \$100 billion in valuation in its market debut, surpassing Ford and General Motors.

"If anything this underlines what we've been saying for a long time. Detroit, wake up! The train has left the station! EVs are inevitable," Roth Capital analyst Craig Irwin said.

"Many traditional OEMs (Original equipment manufacturers) with emerging EV

businesses can obviously do similar spin-off transactions," Irwin added.

Harley's shares rose 11.3% in premarket trading, while those of AEA-Bridges were up 3.4%.

Jochen Zeitz, Harley's chief executive, will be the chairman of LiveWire for up to two years following the completion of the deal. In an investor presentation, LiveWire projected units sales volume of 100,961 electric bikes by 2026.

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Events Calendar

January 2022

1/01 {Sat} The MMA of the Verde Valley invites you to join us for our annual Frosty Balls & Chilly Boobs Run. This event will be raising funds for our amazing local Verde Valley Humane

Society. Register at American Legion Post 25, 480 S Calvary Way, Cottonwood, AZ 86326. 8:30 AM (Breakfast will be available) KSU 10:30 AM. \$20/pilot, \$10/passenger. End party with food, music, and raffle prizes. Dice Run with High

hand \$100 and Low hand \$50.00 prizes. Bundle up and come join this fun run. FMI: 928-300-2242, 928-458-3887

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Passing of Bruce Newkirk

Bruce Newkirk with Arizona Rider Motorcycle News passed away December 17, 2021, 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 and 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).

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

Respectfully,

Mary K Donnan - State Chairman

War Dogs Charity Riders Leading Caravan to Kentucky Relief Efforts

<https://blog.bikernet.com/>

By Gina Woods – Open Road Radio and War Dogs Charity Riders Board Member

With a six-truck and trailer load caravan of donations, the War Dogs Charity Riders leave tonight at 11:00 pm from Woodstock Harley-Davidson. The War Dogs Charity Riders and friends will gather at Woodstock Harley-Davidson with six trucks and trailers full to the brim and headed to Mayfield, Kentucky to deliver donations.

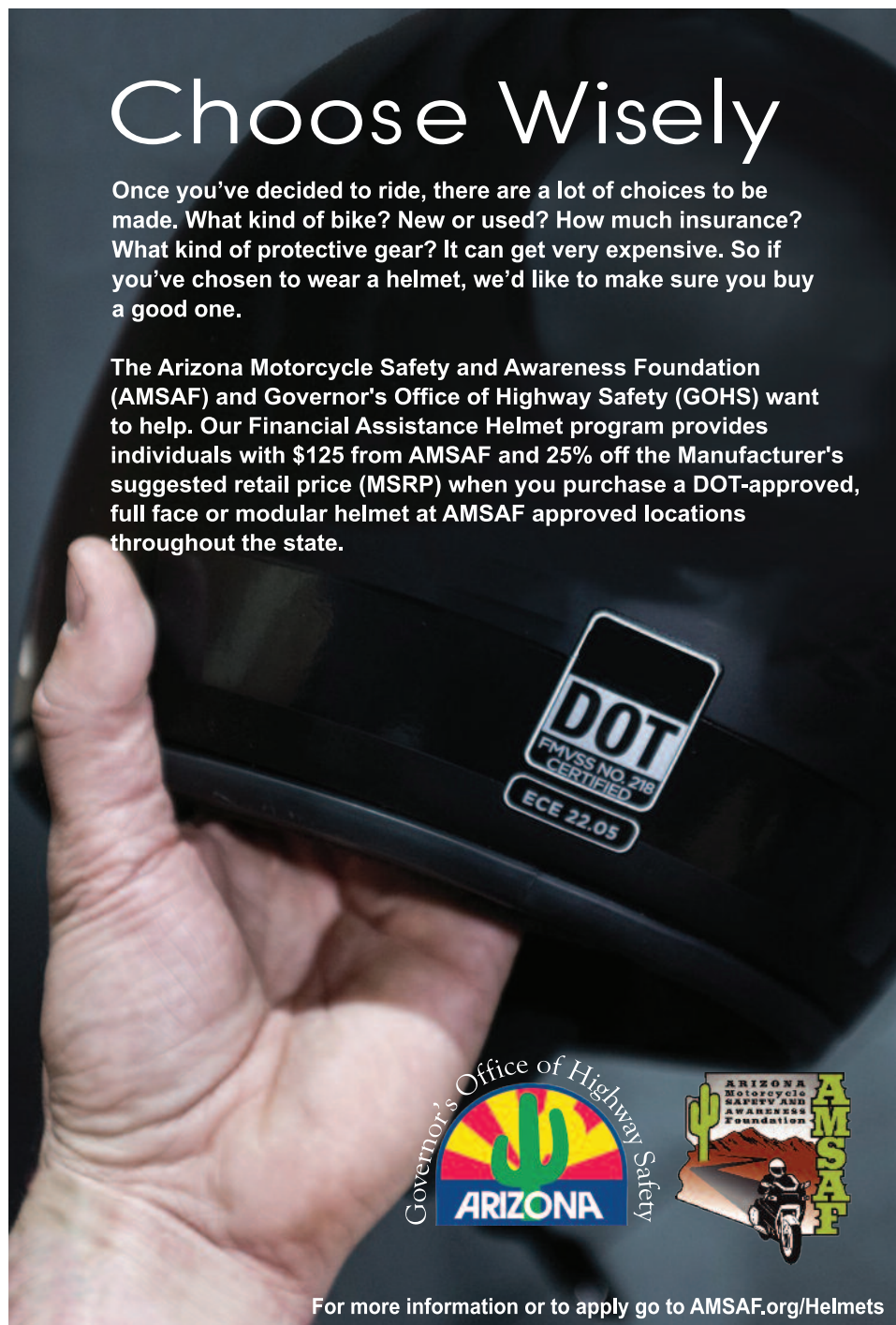
Greg Voss, a Chicago native and newly relocated Mayfield resident, says, “The past week has been terrific with the out-pour of donations from around the world. We just got electricity back on and the clean-up effort has been amazing and ongoing.” Greg lives in the valley of Mayfield and was untouched by the disastrous tornado that wiped out the entire town. Greg uses his house as a headquarters for donations and coordinates with the city of Mayfield the many donations coming in.

Jessica Sheehan, the War Dogs Charity

Riders board member who started the idea and organized the Kentucky Tornado Relief Caravan project, says, “My gosh, in the last five days we have collected thousands of dollars in monetary donations and water bottles, toys, clothes, tools and so many other necessary items like batteries, gloves and cleaning products for the trip to Mayfield. It’s a fine example of hope, perseverance and good will of the men and women in the community. I can’t even begin to thank all the organizations and people who have helped.”

Doug Jackson, owner of Woodstock Harley-Davidson and War Dogs president, says that the dealership has been a collection house all week and will feed the 10-plus people riding in the relief caravan to Kentucky and provided monies to help feed them while on the road. Doug comments, “It’s doing what we do in the name of mankind and bikers have always been a big part of relief efforts.”

If you’d like to donate you can contact the War Dogs Charity Riders @ 847.989.1827 or 630.833.9889



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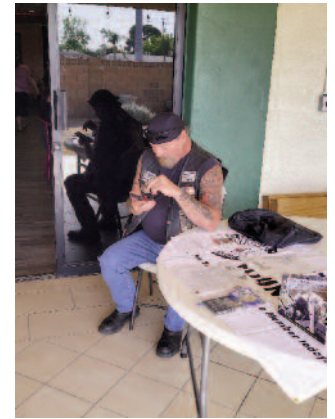
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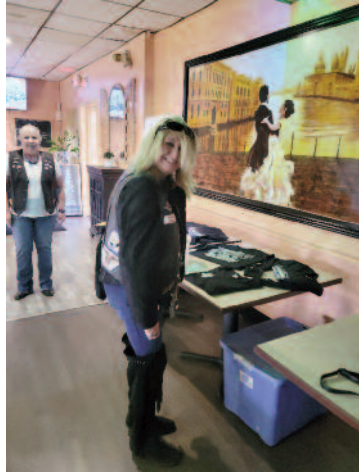


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State Election and Membership Meeting



State Election and Membership Meeting



Bobbi Hartman Passed Away

By Mary K. Donnay & Deborah Butitta

December 1st, 2021 - Bobbi Hartmann passed away. Bobbi was a Lifetime member of A.B.A.T.E. of Arizona, Inc., Yavapai Chapter, and our Authorized Lobbyist for a number of years. In the 1990's, Bobbi lobbied at the AZ State Capital along with Deborah Butitta and Priest. The 3 of them were on the ADHOC Council to start the Arizona Motorcycle Advisory Council.

Bobbi later became MMA of AZ Legislative Assistant, working with Sky Pilot and Buddha. She rode her motorcycle all over Arizona, and other states, to attend meetings and events, and several times to Wisconsin, for family visits. She was a longtime Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF) member, each year attending the annual Meeting of the Minds national motorcycle rights conference.

Bobbi was instrumental in getting the Motorcycle Awareness Program (MAP) created, and she taught in countless AZ Driver's Education high school classes, undoubtedly saving motorcyclists' lives.

She received the Silver Spoke Award for lifetime achievement from Richard Lester's firm, Aid to Injured Motorcyclists (AIM) during one of the many National Coalition of Motorcycle Club (NCOM) meetings she also attended. I remember that she was very proud

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R.I.P. Freedom Fighter!!



Billy Larson, Kat Grover, Sky Pilot, Nyx, Bobbi Hartman, Steve "Muskrat" Musgrave, Richard Lester, Joey Lester, Cindy Gates, Mary K. Donnay, Cheri Dubrow, and Johnny Dreyfus.

Red Cross Philippines vows faster, more effective response with motorcycles

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from <https://mb.com.ph> by Dhel Nazario

The Philippine Red Cross vowed on Saturday, Dec. 11, to provide a more effective humanitarian response now that it is more equipped after receiving motorcycles donated by Honda Philippines Inc.

PRC Chairman and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Sen. Richard Gordon gave this assurance to the public during the ceremonial distribution of Honda motorcycle units to local Red Cross chapters in North Luzon, Central Luzon, South Luzon, Bicol, Visayas, and Mindanao clusters.

Gordon expressed his gratitude to Honda Philippines Inc. President Susumu Mitsuishi for the carmaker's turnover of 104 motorcycles, complete with insulated top box.

"These motorcycles will level-up the capacity of PRC's fleet for responding to emergencies. The PRC is now more equipped to provide speedy and effective responses during disasters, public health crises, and other situations that require humanitarian aid," Gordon said.

Gordon also thanked respected automotive industry parts supplier Eddie Jose as he assured the group of the PRC's com-

mitment to use the assets to protect the public's well-being, health, and to save lives.

"Each PRC chapter will use these new motorcycles to ensure faster and easier access to blood, saliva RT-PCR testing, and soon, even first aid assistance. These motorcycles will enable PRC volunteers and staff to quickly reach areas that would be inaccessible to larger vehicles," Gordon said.

He also reiterated that PRC personnel assigned to use the motorcycles will undergo a series of safety trainings that will enable them to properly handle and operate the units safely especially during

high-stress, high-pressure situations.

"The humanitarian situations faced by PRC riders will range from the routine to the extreme. This makes it a priority for us to train volunteers and staff on the safe and proper handling of these vehicles especially during high-stress incidents. We are a staunch advocate of road safety and I want our volunteers and staff to achieve a high level of skill and safety in their use of these motorcycles," he said.

The initial phase of the training is composed of three hours of classroom lectures and three hours of practical motorcycle handling. Further training will be given as needed to the PRC staff and volunteers.



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HAPPY DAYS AT BONHAMS! THE FONZ'S TRIUMPH MOTORCYCLE SETS NEW WORLD RECORD

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MOST VALUABLE TRIUMPH MOTORCYCLE SOLD AT AUCTION

A 1949 Triumph Trophy 500 Custom motorcycle, ridden by Arthur "The Fonz" Fonzarelli in the television show Happy Days set a new auction world record for the marque, selling for \$231,562 at Bonhams Los Angeles on Wednesday 8 December.

Arguably one of television's coolest motorbikes, the Triumph was offered in the Bonhams TMC Presents ... Hollywood Cool sale where it raced past its pre-sale estimate of \$50,000 – 70,000.

Originally customised for the television show by famous Hollywood stuntman Bud Ekins, The Fonz's motorcycle was a regular feature during its ten-year run. Untouched since filming wrapped, the motorcycle was tracked down by motor-

cycle journalist Wendy F Black in 2000. More recently, it had been exhibited at The San Diego Automotive Museum.

Not only has this motorcycle set a new Triumph motorcycle auction world record, it is also one of the top 100 motorcycles ever sold at auction, joining other Bonhams sales including a 1932 Brough Superior 800cc Model BS4 Project which made \$480,000 in 2016, and the ex-Tony McAlpine, Jack Ehret, Australian Land Speed Record Breaking

1951 Vincent 998cc Black Lightning which achieved the exceptional sum of \$929,000 in 2018, the most valuable motorcycle ever sold at auction – a record that still stands.

Other lots in the TMC Presents ... Hollywood Cool sale included a pair of mechanic overalls as well worn by Henry Winkler in the television show together with the leather jacket and biker boots that completed The Fonz's signature look..

NEWS FROM ENGLAND

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their vehicle waiting for them in the country where they planned their holidays or leisure trip.

For practical purposes, the vehicles are often transported in vans, on trailers or in transporters. We are aware of situations where owners of motorcycles and historic vehicles from the United Kingdom thought, after inquiries, that they did the right thing but were confronted with problems and extremely high fines and duties in EU countries they crossed or at borders of EU countries. Similar problems have been experienced entering the UK from the EU.

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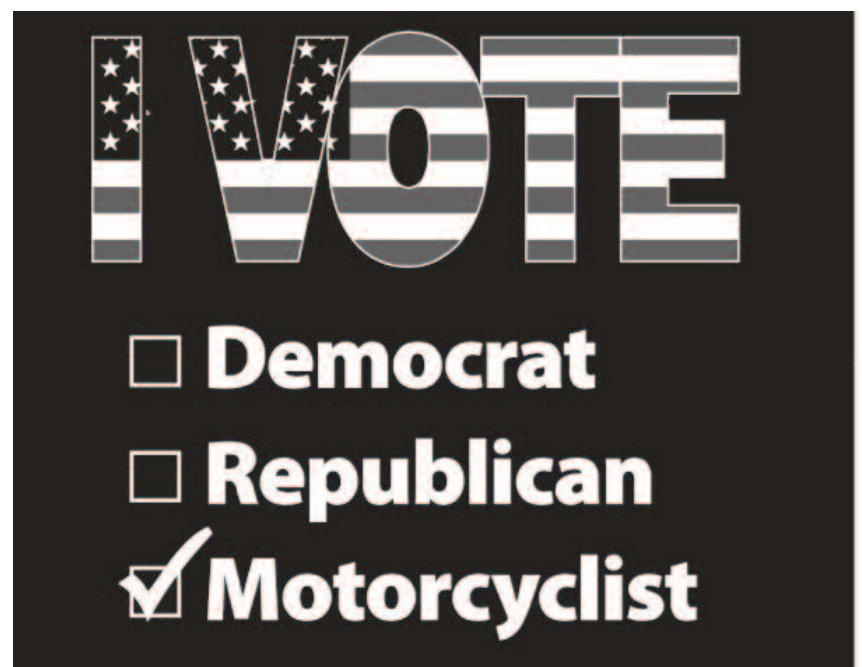
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BAGGER RACING NEWS

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Shane Narbonne Takes Pirelli to the Top Step of the Podium and Captures Bagger Racing League Championship at Sonoma

Narbonne's Trask Performance Harley-Davidson Relies on Pirelli's DIABLO Superbike SC1 Front and Rear Slicks to Capture Custom Dynamics GP Bagger Victory

SONOMA, Calif. (December 15, 2021) – Pirelli Tire North America carried its momentum into the Bagger Racing League season finale at Sonoma Raceway on Saturday, December 11 by once again capturing the top step of the podium thanks to

an impressive performance by Trask Performance's Shane Narbonne.

Competing aboard a Harley-Davidson equipped with Pirelli DIABLO Superbike slicks, Narbonne would prove to be the star of the weekend by capturing the Custom Dynamics GP Bagger class win, which was enough to crown him 2022 Custom Dynamics GP Bagger class champion.

Shane Narbonne captured both the event victory and championship at Sonoma.

"First off, I just want to give a huge thank you to Pirelli for coming on board with my racing program," said Narbonne. "It's my first year working

with Pirelli and this past weekend was an incredible time working with Oscar [Solis] to get my bike working great with the sticky tire, even though we had cool temperatures. We had a great tire choice for the race and the tires worked amazing the entire time, which allowed me to take the Bagger GP victory!"

Narbonne consistently set the pace throughout the weekend by capturing pole position and the fastest lap of the weekend using a Pirelli DIABLO Superbike SC1 front slick in 120/70R17 sizing and a DIABLO Superbike SC1 rear slick in 190/60R17 sizing. He would overcome a mid-race charge from his

competitors and use excellent late-race speed and grip to prevail. The race-winning performance helped clinch the class championship and prove Pirelli's capability in bagger racing.

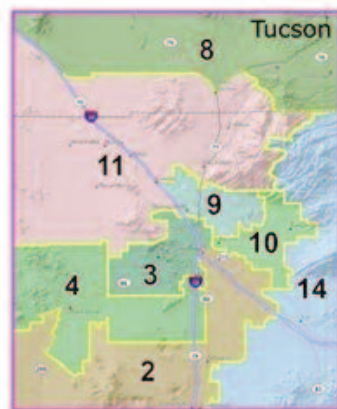
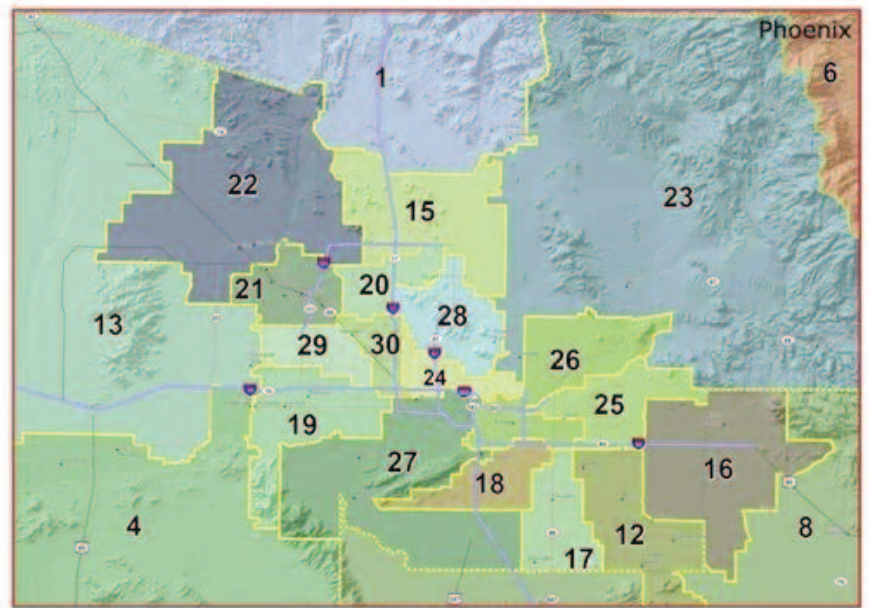
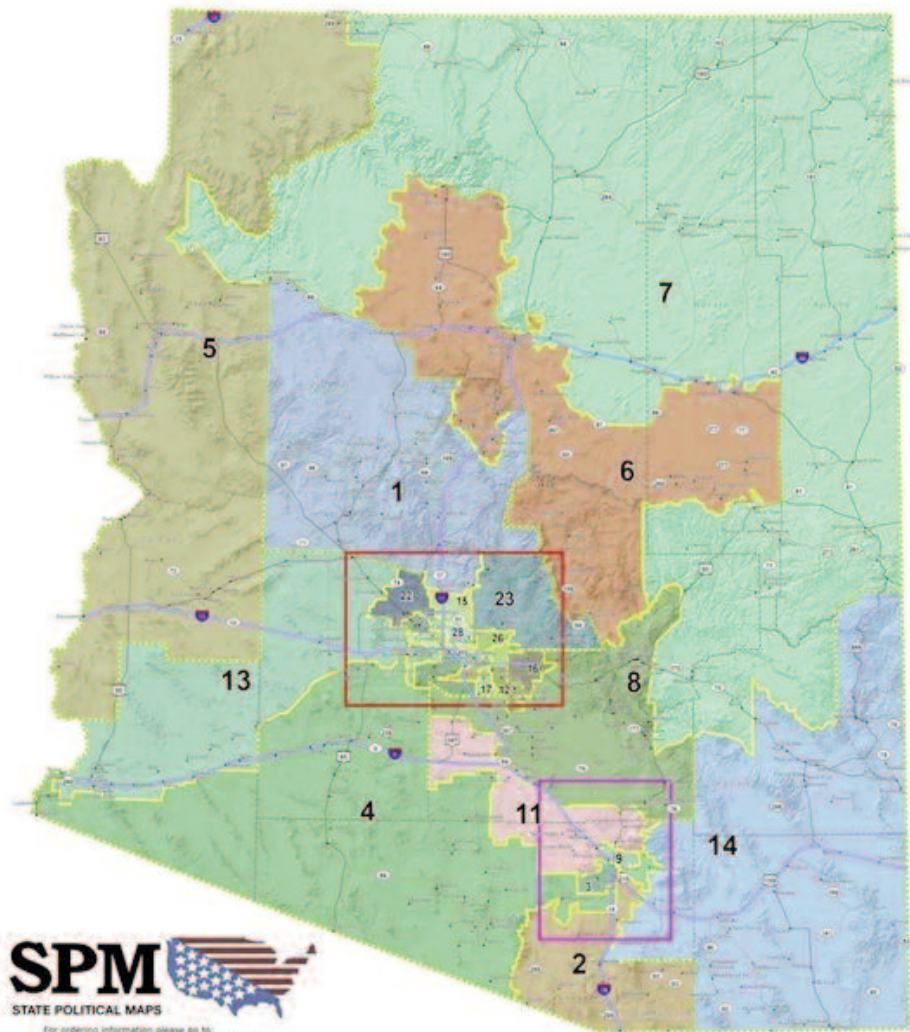
RESULTS

Sonoma Raceway – Sonoma, California

December 11, 2021

Custom Dynamics Bagger GP
 1. Shane Narbonne
 Cory West
 Ben Bostrom

Arizona State House & Senate Districts 2021-2022



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3	John Huppenthal (R)	R
4	Janet Napolitano (D)	D
5	Mark Finchem (R)	R
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I'm tired

By Jim Silk

Tires, are round and beautiful

Pop quiz hot shots. If you let the air out from your motorcycle tire, is it fresh air or tired air? C'mon say it!

Who put the sugar in the wide load?

Become familiar with your motorcycle manufacturer's inflation guidelines. Look in your motorcycle owner's manual to find the right

PSI (pounds per square inch) of air pressure for your tires. Some bike manufacturers also list this formation on the bike itself. Common locations include the swing arm, front fork tubes, inside the trunk, and under the seat. By golly it's with a look.

Keep in mind that these recommendations are usually dependent upon the weight of you and your passenger, as well as any cargo. For instance, some manufacturers advise adding 3 or 4 PSI when carrying a heavy load. Know your vehicle eight and load, and follow the PSI recommendations specific to your motorcycle. Failure to do so can result in adverse motorcycle handling (wobble and weave) or tire failure, or both. You never wanna wobble, ever.

Stop right now and check your pressure often and adjust as necessary, using an accurate tire gauge. Motorcycle tire manufacturers recommend checking pressure at least once a week. However, many motorcycle safety experts recommend checking tire pressure and tread wear every time you take your bike out. After all, you ask more of your motorcycle tires than you do your car tires. So it's wise to ensure they're roadworthy each time you ride. You are worthy, you are worthy!

Yes, tires do wear out, keep reading

Take the time to frequently inspect your tires for sidewall and tread groove cracking, punctures, blisters, knots, cuts, excessive or irregular wear. As with tire pressure, it only takes a few minutes every time you ride is not too often. If you do find any of these tread wear conditions, immediately replace the damaged tire. In addition, most tire safety experts recommend replacing rather than attempting to permanently patch a tire. You make the call on that one, no patch here.

When your tread is worn down to the level of the built-in tread wear bars on your tires, the tread won't provide good traction. This is yet another indication it's time for new tires. Time to buy a tire begins now.

Check your tires for signs of aging, including dry rot and cracking. Even barely used tires become hard with time or exposure to the sun. When tire rubber gets hard and a stiffy, it tends to crack and cannot grip the road to provide proper traction. So it's wise to replace old or dried-out tires even if they still have plenty of tread on them. Hard rubber tires are a no-go!

If you store your motorcycle during winter months, be sure to store it in a cool, dry place, out of direct sunlight and away from ozone-producing appliances (anything with an electric motor, such as a beer refrigerator). Additionally, your tires should not come into sustained contact with gasoline or oil. Improper storage will rapidly accelerate the normal aging process, making your tires unsafe.

Pair them tires up real good now

Make sure you get a matching set of front and rear tires. Unlike car tires, you need to make sure that your motorcycle tires are a matched set. At a minimum, they should have complementary tread patterns, should both be either radial or bias ply, and ideally be the same make and model.

Size matters. It's best to choose replacement tires of the same size as the motor-

cycle's original equipment tires.

Remember that front and rear motorcycle tires are not designed to perform exactly the same functions and are not interchangeable. You'll need one front tire and one back tire of a complementary make, model and size. It's a match made in the biker world.

There are holes you don't want to ride in

Avoid riding on the shoulder or near medians where sharp objects and other tire-damaging debris tend to accumulate.

Constantly monitor the way your motorcycle rides so you can detect any rapid air loss — and respond appropriately without delay.

Keep a good motorcycle tow company on your phone contacts

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See you soon up at Too Broke for Sturgis this June 9th-12th best biker party of the summer guaranteed.

State Safety Officer
Jim Silk



19th Annual Barbie Hensler Memorial Toy Run

Press Release from High Country Chapter of ABATE of Arizona Inc. - For Immediate Publication - 12/13/2021

With the tremendous community support, we have come to expect living in the Rim Country of Arizona, the High Country Chapter of ABATE of Arizona is pleased to announce the very successful conclusion to the 19h Annual Barbie Hensler Memorial Toy Run.

Toy collection boxes were distributed to participating business throughout Rim Country in early November. The boxes were distributed to Punkin Center Bar & Grill in Tonto Basin; Garvin's RV & Adventures in Rye; The Buffalo Bar & Grill and El Rancho Restaurant in Payson; Tonto Rim Bar & Grill in Star Valley; Double D Restaurant and Bar in Tonto Village; Pine Creek Fudge & Espresso, Pinewood Tavern and the

Ponderosa Market in Pine; and Bandit's Restaurant and Bar in Strawberry.

In several cases the boxes were filled to overflowing and a few had to be emptied during the month they were in place!

The Toy Run itself was held on Saturday, Dec. 11 from noon to 4 pm at the Tonto Rim Bar & Grill (now under new management) in Star Valley where there were raffle prizes, a 50/50, and a Silent Auction to help raise cash for the cause.

Immediately after the event, all toys, clothes and cash were taken to the Moose Lodge #852 in Star Valley and presented to the Women of the Moose who now have the arduous task of sorting, matching, and wrapping the gifts and clothing for the children and families in Rim Country that might need a bit of help this Christmas. The Women of the Moose use

a vetted list of area families from all over Rim Country to distribute the toys, clothes and, in some cases, gift cards to those families so they can purchase food and other necessities to get through the Christmas season.

This was the 19th annual Toy Run event originally started by Barbie Hensler after seeing a real need for such an effort in the Payson area. It quickly expanded to all of Rim Country and became the primary focus of the High Country Chapter of ABATE of Arizona, a Motorcycle Rights and Safety organization, every fall. Unfortunately, we lost Barbie to a sudden illness 10 days before the 2010 run so the chapter decided to name the event in her honor. It has been the Barbie Hensler Memorial Toy Run ever since and has served countless children and families throughout Rim Country since its inception.

This year the event gathered 3 pickup truck loads of new, unwrapped toys and clothes as well as \$5,000.00 in cash.

High Country Chapter of ABATE of Arizona Inc. would like to thank every single person and business that participated, donated, gave their time, or helped promote this year's event. This is not JUST a Motorcycle Club event. It is an annual Community Event and is sorely needed. But it could not happen without the continued, and awesome, support of the residents and businesses of the Rim Country.

Thank You.

Forrest (Woody) Phillips - Coordinator, High Country Chapter, ABATE of AZ Inc.



19th Annual Barbie Hensler Memorial Toy Run (continued)



EV NEWS FROM THE GOVERNMENT

<https://www.bikernet.com>

Electric Vehicles were in the news a great deal recently. Last week, President Biden ordered an EV federal fleet by 2035 and he wants all of the federal government to be carbon-neutral by 2050. Vice President Harris unveiled the administration's plan

for an electric vehicle charging network across the country.

Power companies banded together for a coast-to-coast EV fast-charging network. The website Governing proposed that the US needs at least 100,000 stations by 2030 for the EV recharging network.

Now, the feds need to mandate that all EVs and chargers use the same system to charge or it might be even a bigger headache for car owners.

Some Congressional news: US House Transportation Chair Peter DeFazio will retire next year. On Thursday, a Senate

panel will hold its hearing to decide on Biden's nominee to head the National Highway Traffic Safety Association. Steven Cliff formerly served as an official at the California Air Resources Board and since February has been serving as the NHTSA's deputy administrator.



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NAME / POSITION OF PERSON ENFORCING POLICY: _____

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YOUR NAME (please print): _____

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Young Activist Nomination Request



**MOTORCYCLE RIDERS FOUNDATION
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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 15th. 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.

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CANDIDATE STREET ADDRESS: _____

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**PLEASE PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION ON A SEPARATE
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- 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.
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SUBMITTED BY: _____

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BIKER LIVES MATTER

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My name is John Herlihy. My friends call me Rogue. I have been asked a lot why I and some others started an organization named Biker Lives Matter and why it is important to me. My answer is simple, there is a need for an organization that calls attention to the tragic loss of lives and livelihoods from motorcycle crashes.

My son Dale Hvizdo at Tropical Tattoo Promoting the organization.
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To better understand how this came about, we should look at some background that led up to Biker Lives Matter. I have been riding motorcycles for 69 years and both my life and that of the others who ride has always been important to me. I was taught to ride by a friend at the age of 14 and then continued to improve that by riding with people who had more experience than me, that is just the way it was done years ago. Through the years that I have been riding, I have seen many people injured and I know too many that have died. I personally have had my share of crashes and I even flatlined in the operating room after one of them. I consider myself one of the lucky ones to still be riding at the age of 83 years old.

In the 1970s, I became involved in motorcycle rights and safety. At the time, motorcycle injury and death rate were high so the government and insurance companies began trying to pass laws that they hoped would help protect motorcyclists when crashes happened. They started by passing legislation such as mandatory helmet laws. While I have no issue with wearing helmets, I feel it should be a matter of choice. I (and others) also felt it was typical of

the government to put the cart before the horse when a more practical approach would be to lower the crashes and collisions. That is easier said than done since so many motorists who are operating a vehicle are not paying attention to what they are supposed to be doing.

As motorcycle safety advocates, we worked on trying to educate the driving public to share the road with motorcycles, we also knew we needed to come up with a way to better educate the motorcyclists on the operation of the motorcycle.

The American Motorcycle Association put on the first Meeting of The Minds and invited 50 people with various backgrounds in motorcycling to attend. I had the privilege of being one of those people. What was discussed at that meeting eventually led to the Motorcycle Safety Foundation and courses to teach new riders. Our hopes were that defensive riding would help motorcyclists stay alive while we worked on changing laws that would make other vehicle operators be aware of us on the road and penalize those who violated our space and right to be there.

I am sorry to say that we have not been as successful as we should be in that aspect and 50 years later, we are still working on it. In the meantime, motorcyclists were and still are being injured and killed. It is unacceptable and something must be done.

In 1996, Vicki Sanfelipo started Accident Scene Management and began teaching people what to do at these incidents where motorcyclists were injured. Her program taught motorcyclists to help each other and keep the injured riders alive until the Paramedics and or more experienced medical staff arrived and was able to take over. It was more years than I wanted before I found an opportunity to take

her course, but eventually I did and even helped with classes being taught in Florida. I now carry a trauma kit in my left saddlebag. So far, I have only used it once when her husband Tony and I were in Alabama shooting a movie and our friend Athena ran off the road and needed some medical attention. While Athena was not seriously injured, she was hurt and needed our help. Her crash was not life threatening but there are many that are. More life threatening are collisions with other vehicles. It is at epidemic stage and motorcyclists are dying at an alarming rate despite all of the things that we have put in place. We have tried for many years to educate the public that motorcyclists have a right to the road the operators of these vehicles continue to drive stupid and without regard for others. They refuse to pay attention to the operation of their vehicle. Yes, recent legislation pertaining to cell phone use has helped but it has not gone far enough. I do not think you will find anyone that will disagree that the largest cause of injury and death to motorcyclist is another vehicle violating its right of way. The most common is making a left turn in front of them.

People in motorcycling rights and safety have been trying to do something about changing the law from minor fines that is the most common sentence for those found guilty of violating the right of way of another motorist for years. There has been limited success in some states but not in others. Since efforts to educate has not worked it is now time to legislate. Yes, I am saying it out loud. I am one who does not care for new laws either and have fought for freedom but in this case, it seems like the only solution. Ignoring where we find ourselves after all these years has not changed a thing. We do know that when the courts increase fines, take away operator's licenses, and make them attend safety classes it does work as a deterrent for other vehicle viola-

tions.

I believe that we have waited way too long and what we have been doing to protect ourselves is not working. Biker Lives Matter believes that increasing the penalties for drivers who violate others right away is long overdue and that those penalties should continue to increase it until violators pay attention. The revenue from increased fines can help pay for also having the offender attend safety courses. Some say it is inconvenient for them to attend safety courses. Well that's just too bad since it is not as inconvenient as people having to visit family members in the hospital or planning funerals for them.

I think back to the days of Mothers Against Drunk Drivers and what they have done to change things. There are numerous organizations that are promoting increasing penalties for violation of right of way violations, some have had success and others still working on it.

We need to work with motorcycle rights organizations (MROs) to get bills introduced to our state legislators and for all of us to contact those legislators to let them know that if they do not vote to pass laws that we will vote for whoever is running against them in the next state election.

I believe that Biker Lives Matter can help organization that are already in place by sharing information with interested parties and bringing awareness to the issues through my involvement in the motorcycle media and bringing more awareness to the issues.

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Valerie Thompson Vacates Pilot Seat in Manning's BUB 7 Motorcycle Streamliner

America's Queen of Speed cites lack of confidence after mass team resignations

Bonneville Salt Flats, UT (Dec. 13, 2021) – Ten-time land speed record holder Valerie Thompson announces, effective immediately, her separation from Denis Manning and the BUB 7 Streamliner Motorcycle team citing loss of confidence in the streamliner and designer Manning. Thompson has been piloting the former world-title holding motorcycle since 2016 and was Manning's top funding source for the team.

Considered the "world's fastest female motorcycle racer" after inking a 328 mph speed record, Thompson is an independent team owner/driver who competitively drag raced before focusing on land speed racing, eventually earning 10 Land Speed Records on two continents.

"We lost some essential crew members over the last few months," said Thompson about her eroding confi-

dence in the project. "The remaining crew contacted me late last week with the sad news they had quit and removed all their tools from the Team 7 Racing shop. Without this 'super crew,' I'm highly doubtful about the performance potential of the BUB 7 to re-capture the worlds fastest motorcycle title. More importantly, I'm concerned for my safety. These are not just my team mates, they're my guardian angels."

Each of the departing team members helped extract Thompson from the BUB 7 wreckage after a devastating 363 mph crash on Australia's Lake Gairdner salt flats in 2018. "While I'm disappointed, I won't be setting the fastest motorcycle record with Team 7 Racing, I'm heart broken the crew won't see the results of their 36 months of painstaking re-building work. Each of them has volunteered countless hours in this quest. They deserve better," added Thompson.

Thompson remains the principal driver of the dual-engine Target 550 streamliner owned by Oregonian and veteran land speed race team owner Marlo Treit. Treit's 43-foot, 9,000-pound speed machine is vastly different than the BUB 7 motorcycle. The team's goal is to break Tom Burkland's 415 mph World Record set in 2008. Thompson

exceeded the team's testing goals on her first three test runs, clocking 218, 270 and 291 mph.

Thompson, often referred to as "America's Queen of Speed," is a lifetime member of multiple 200 and 300 MPH Clubs, a Sturgis Motorcycle Hall of Fame inductee, only female in the "World's Top 10 Fastest Motorcycle Racers" rankings and aspiring pickleball pro.

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Valerie Thompson Background

Valerie Thompson is the World's Fastest Female Motorcycle Racer and 10X land speed record holder with membership in the Sturgis Motorcycle Hall of Fame. She is a member eight 200 MPH Clubs, one 300 MPH Club and the only female in the World's Top 10 Fastest Motorcycle Racers rankings.

In addition to her relentless pursuit of new speed records, Valerie's goals include earning a professional rating in her favorite sport of pickleball. She started playing less than a year ago and has already collected 6 medals in her first five tournaments playing women's singles, women's doubles and mixed doubles.

Additional Information

Valerie Thompson Racing (Website): <http://www.valerithompsonracing.com>

Rockets and Titans Movie Teaser: <https://youtu.be/obtG4f3-c8k>

Valerie Thompson Racing (Facebook): <https://www.facebook.com/ValerieRacing/>

Valerie Thompson Racing (Twitter): <https://twitter.com/valerithompson>

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300+mph Bonneville Video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_oT4fmXPo10&feature=youtu.be
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