

A publication supporting the rights, safety and freedom of all motorcyclists through education and legislation


# SB1273 TWO-WHEELED MOTORCYCLE OPERATION




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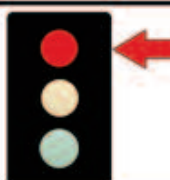
**Speed limit on road is 45 mph or less**  
Never on freeways

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**Road must have 2 or more adjacent traffic lanes in the same direction of travel**

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**Motorcycles can only lane filter between STOPPED vehicles**

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**Motorcycle speed cannot be more than 15 mph when filtering**

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**The movement may be made SAFELY**



Mike Infanzon  
 Legislative Director

Over the past few weeks, we have been having discussions about the possibility of making motorcycle lane filtering legal here in Arizona. Senate Bill 1273; two-wheeled motorcycle operation has been introduced and through the Transportation and Technology Committee. As I write this, it is moving its way through the Senate. Keep an eye on your emails and social media for up-to-date information.

In 2018, Utah officially became the second state after California to pass a bill allowing riders to engage in some form of lane sharing maneuver. SB1273 is mirroring the Utah law with a slight difference in effective date. However, while California has been allowing lane splitting since 2017, Utah had instead passed a law allowing lane filtering.

While "lane splitting" has been a widely accepted term in the US to refer to most of these maneuvers, there are actually subtleties that differentiate them. So, what's the difference between lane splitting and lane filtering anyway?

We are working on passing this bill that allows riders to lane filter in very strictly described conditions. The bill allows "lane filtering if a motorcycle is overtaking a vehicle that is stopped in the same lane of travel and there are two or more adjacent traffic lanes in the same direction of travel."

Unlike lane splitting that allows a motorcycle to navigate between rows of vehicles circulating at regular speeds, lane filtering allows the motorcyclist to trickle down between rows of stopped/slow-moving vehicles. This maneuver is usually observed at stop lights and allows riders to navigate towards the front of the line, which in turn allows them to take off swiftly and safely without being sandwiched between two vehicles.

Lane filtering is usually forbidden between an ongoing traffic lane and a row of parked cars or a curb. Each State has its requirements and its definition of lane filtering (for instance, SB1273 clearly states the vehicles have to be stopped while a wider definition of the concept also suggests slow-moving vehicles.)

The difference between splitting and filtering all comes down to the speed of the surrounding vehicles and the context in which they

are best practiced (rush hour traffic versus intersections). In both cases, it is up to the rider to analyze the situation and engage safely.

A rider needs to make sure they have enough space between the vehicles to travel without ripping off mirrors along the way, and it is their responsibility to travel at a speed that affords them enough time to react should a car suddenly change lane in front of them. A rider is not obligated to lane split or filter if he doesn't feel at ease doing so.

Ride safe.

Mike



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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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FMI contact Bill Hensler (928) 978-1577  
 High Country Chapter meetings are held on the 3rd Saturday at 10 a.m. at The Moose Lodge in Star Valley.  
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## Southern Arizona Chapter

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 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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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

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 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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 Events Coordinator.....Vacant  
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 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

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 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

February 2, 2022

For Immediate Release

Threats from Europe

The last few months have seen troublesome news for the motorcyclist community in Europe. Yesterday, the website motorious.com reported on a new threat to motorcyclists in Paris, France. Officials there are taking aim at motorcycles and using sound pollution as the justification. According to the report, "Paris authorities have been experimenting with sound radars as a way to fight excessive noise pollution in the

city. Such devices allow police to pinpoint which motorcycle is emitting more decibels than is allowed, then fine the rider."

This news for Paris comes on the heels of a Politico report late last year, that the European Commission has plans to dramatically change emission requirements on vehicles. While motorcycles were not included in the initial blueprint, fears are high in Europe. A ban on internal combustion engines "Would be a disaster," said Michael Lenzen of the German Motorcyclists' Association.

Don't forget that in 2020, the Federation

of European Motorcyclists' Associations (FEMA), issued a warning about end-of-life vehicle directives. Such a policy would require the collection and destruction of motorcycles that have come to the end of their life. At the time, Wim Taal, FEMA's communications officer said, "Inclusion of motorcycles in the scope of the directive could also mean a serious threat to historical motorcycles. These bikes are especially dependent upon available and affordable original spare parts to keep them in working order. And who wants to see old-timers disappear into state approved demolishing facilities?"

The Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF) is committed to working with and supporting our partners in Europe. As MRF President Kirk "Hardtail" Willard has repeatedly warned, "Policy ideas that first appear in Europe have a history of popping up in the United States." The MRF is dedicated to opposing policies that destroy the motorcycling lifestyle. Thank you for your continued support as we fight to maintain our rights and freedoms.

Do you really think it couldn't happen here?

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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.

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## President's Report



As I sit writing this it is the middle of February and the weather here in Arizona has changed from last month.

The highs here in Tucson have in the 70's and near 80. The lows are in the 30's and 40's. This is making for great riding weather but it also is the weather that attracts all the "winter visitors" and why all the college kids decide to attend school here. These groups of drivers are not always the most attentive when it comes to looking twice to see motorcycles.

As we enter the month of March the calendar seems to fill up with rides and events of all types. It can sometimes be a challenge to make all the rounds of the events you wish to support. There is Arizona Bike Week coming up and Too Broke for Sturgis will be here before we know it. This year Motorcycle Day at the Dome will be held in April and be more like the old Freedom Rally. It is important that you let those sponsoring events that you attend know that you are an ABATE

member and that you are supporting their event. Always try and wear ABATE gear so others see you are a member. This helps not only our image as an organization that we are supporting the motorcycling community but also helps in recruiting new members. Folks tend to want to join organizations that are active and support the same things that they do.

May is "Motorcycle Awareness Month" nationally and once again we will be working with the Governor's office to have Governor Ducey issue a proclamation officially designating May as "Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Month" in Arizona. I know most of our chapters are planning some kind of event or project to support this in their local areas. Please support all efforts to get the message out to the general public to "Check Twice for Motorcycles" and this

may be a good idea to take to your local city or town council to get them on board to promote motorcycle safety and awareness.

I would also like to thank all of the Business Members that you see listed and their business card ads throughout the Masterlink. Without the support of these community members we would be hard pressed to do what we do. I strongly encourage all ABATE members to support those businesses that support us.

Until next time! Ride Free!

Jim

## News from the MRF (continued)

For Immediate Release

February 1, 2022

Nominees Wanted - Class of 2022  
Motorcycle Riders Foundation Hall of Fame

The Motorcycle Riders Foundation Hall of Fame (MRFHOF) was introduced at the Meeting of the Minds in Denver, Colorado. This institution was created to recognize individuals that have worked through the MRF to positively impact motorcycling. The Motorcycle Riders Foundation is proud to announce that the nomination process for the next class of inductees into the MRFHOF is now open.

The nomination form and a timeline are posted on the MRF website at:

<https://mrf.org/mrf-hall-of-fame/>

Nomination applications are due to the Hall of Fame Committee by March 1st, 2022 – please send completed forms to [communications@mrf.org](mailto:communications@mrf.org)

Past Motorcycle Riders Foundation Hall of Fame inductees are: Keith "Bandit" Ball, Mark Buckner, Wayne Curtin, Michael "Balls" Farabaugh, "Still" Ray Fitzgerald, Richard Gray, Bob Illingworth, Nathan "Buck" Kittredge, Ed

Netterberg, Sherman Packard, Todd Vandermyde, Paul Vestal, Penny Walker, Ed Youngblood, Vince Consiglio, Fredric Harrell, Rodney Roberts, Simon Milward, JoAnne Packard, Karen Bolin, Lee Richardson, Jerry "JT" Thomas, Teresa Hepker, Dick "Slider" Gilmore, Charles Umbenhauer, Wanda Hummel-Shultz, "Biker" Jim Rhoades, Lee Ryan, Marc Falsetti, Gary Klinker, Charlie Williams, Dave Dwyer, "Radio" Bob Letourneau, "Farmer" John Eggers, Michael "Boz" Kerr, Butch Brown, Deb Butitta, Jim Dahling and Carol Downs.

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National Roadway Safety Strategy Announced

Thursday afternoon, U.S. Secretary of Transportation Pete Buttigieg announced a new national road safety campaign. The plan, known as the "National Roadway Safety Strategy," comes in response to increased year over year fatalities on our nation's roadways. In 2020, an estimated 38,680 people died as a result of a motor vehicle crash. Of those, approximately 9% were motorcyclists' fatalities.

What is most alarming about the increase in fatalities, is that the total number of miles traveled on our roads decreased during the pandemic. Americans traveled

13.2% less miles in 2020 than we did in 2019, but we saw a 7.2% increase in deaths.

The preliminary numbers for the first 6 months of 2021 are also troublesome. From January through the end of June 2021 an estimated 20,160 people died in crashes. That is the largest number of projected deaths in that time frame since 2006.

To combat this trend the plan outlines five key objectives:

**Safer People:** Encourage safe, responsible behavior by people who use our roads and create conditions that prioritize their ability to reach their destination unharmed.

**Safer Roads:** Design roadway environments to mitigate human mistakes and account for injury tolerances, to encourage safer behaviors, and to facilitate safe travel by the most users.

**Safer Vehicles:** Expand the availability of vehicle systems and features that help to prevent crashes and minimize the impact of crashes on both occupants and non-occupants.

**Safer Speeds:** Promote safer speeds in all roadway environments through a combination of thoughtful, context-appropriate roadway design, targeted education, and outreach campaigns, and enforce-

ment.

**Post-Crash Care:** Enhance the survivability of crashes through expedient access to emergency medical care, while creating a safe working environment for vital first responders and preventing secondary crashes through robust traffic incident management practices.

The recently passed infrastructure bill has components and funding to help achieve some of these goals. For example, \$14 billion in new funding was specifically allocated for road safety. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration also announced plans this week to increase the data it collects on crashes. The agency wants to boost the number of crashes investigated and add additional studies that examine crashes involving medium-duty trucks, pedestrians, and workers who are hit on the road.

We at the Motorcycle Riders Foundation are encouraged to see that the U.S. Department of Transportation is taking a complete view of traffic safety, incorporating multiple factors to make our roadways safer. We also remain committed to the theory of crash avoidance, as a crash that doesn't happen is always safer than one that does.

## Fox News Host Tucker Carlson Calls For Resistance Against Speed Cameras

<https://www.thenewspaper.com>

Fox News host Tucker Carlson on Tuesday urged the public to take vigilante action against a federal push to deploy speed cameras nationwide. He made the comment on Tucker Carlson Tonight, the most-watched cable news program according to AdWeek.

Last month, the US Department of Transportation announced that subsidies for speed cameras would feature prominently in the department's "Vision Zero" plan. That plan was made possible by a one-sentence provision in the 1039 page infrastructure bill repealing a long-standing congressional ban on federal funding for automated ticketing machines.

Carlson discussed the implications of the administration's photo radar proposal with the New York City Council's minority

leader, Joe Borelli (R), who advertised his opposition to automated ticketing on the signs he used in his re-election campaign last year.

"Why doesn't some civic-minded billionaire set up an NGO to supply every New Yorker with, say, a dozen cans of spray-paint every year so we can go full Boston Tea Party and end this tyranny?" Carlson asked Borelli. "I'm not encouraging law-breaking -- just freedom."

As measured at the ballot box, photo ticketing is deeply unpopular in America. In 43 election contests across a dozen states, cameras have lost 9 out of 10 times, often by wide margins (view full list). Americans have taken action vigilante against the unpopular devices, but nowhere near as often as Europeans do (view full coverage of this issue going back to 2004). From

2017 to 2021, French opponents of automated ticketing spraypainted speed cameras 24,160 times and set them on fire 3611 times, according to government figures. The totals exceed the number of speed cameras deployed in the country because the same devices are often repaired or replaced, and then attacked again multiple times. A handful of French vigilantes have been arrested in connection with the attacks.

In 2008, Arizona motorists found a way to disable speed cameras without facing any legal repercussions. By placing post-it notes on the lenses of the freeway cameras, the devices were unable to issue tickets. Individuals involved with the action told TheNewspaper at the time that local law enforcement had assured them, as long as no permanent damage was done, they would not face a vandalism charge. The

attacks also included a dig at the lawbreaking of Redflex, the company that installed the cameras. Each note bore the message "honest mistake" in reference to the firm's casual response to charges of document falsification delivered to the Arizona Secretary of State on a post-it note.

Ultimately, the head of US operations for Redflex, Karen Finley, was released from federal prison in 2018 after she served time for bribing city and state officials to encourage the use of speed and red light cameras. More than twenty politicians, lobbyists and government officials have been convicted of corruption related to automated ticketing in the US alone (view full list).

## Chapter Reports

### Coyote Pass

NO REPORT.

### High Country

NO REPORT.

### Mohave Chapter

Riding has been minimal up here in Mohave County since our last report, cool temperatures and a lot of wind. We are currently not working on any major projects.

On January 29 there were the bed races in Oatman, AZ which required a 5 person team. We attempted to put a team together for the Mohave Chapter but between Covid and various life events that fell through, maybe next year.

Until next month we hope everyone stays safe and rides safe.

Tom Aydt  
Mohave Chapter Coordinator

### Yuma Chapter

NO REPORT.

### Phoenix/Shadow Mountain

Good evening ABATE members. Don't have a lot to report. We had low turnout at the meet on 2/13/22. I'm not sure how to get more members to show up. Thank you to those who participated.

We have been invited by Desert Thunder to set up a booth at the ADOBE Speedway for the flat track races. March 26th 2022. There will be Muchandice for sale and we will be trying to sign up new members. Gates open at 2pm (vendors can arrive at 12pm for setup) Desert Thunder will be hosting lunch at 12pm at their clubhouse, Then they will ride or drive to the speedway. KSU 2pm. Desert Thunder Clubhouse 3137 w Virginia ave.

Phoenix AZ.

Would like to give a big shout to AiNT NICKS TAVERN for 6 years as a business member. They have great food and always have cold beer and drinks. A great place to visit after a day of riding. Thank you AiNT NICKS TAVERN.

On a sad note, I We lost a great man this month Jerry Davis. He was a member of ABATE of AZ for 35 + years. He was also a club member for the Spartans MC. For ABATE he was Phoenix Shadow Mountains Serjeant-at-arms for many years. He was a very outspoken man. He helped Keep the meetings in order and he always had a great time doing it. Always at 10:30 he would say (squat and drop it) Then he would call the meeting to order. Always opposing the reading of the minutes from the last meeting even though he was always outvoted. He loved donuts, always eating at least 3 even though Janice was on his ass for it. He will be missed by many people. He is no longer in pain and he is riding free with the wind in his hair and not a worry in the world. RIP my Brother. Please look over all of us down here. Love you Brother

Nolan Steed

### Superstition Chapter

Our chapter starts the year with new officers and one returning officer(looking for volunteers to fill out the other officer positions)

Joe Silk – Chapter Coordinator/PAC/Membership

Cliff Prentice – Treasurer

Brina Brown – Secretary

Clayton Crull - Sgt of Arms/Safety(returning)

Our First event of the year was having a membership booth at the Skin and Steel

event at the Tempe American Legion. The event had a good turnout. It had several vendors with various merchandise (got some CBD calming treats for my anxious pit bull!). A bonus for us is that we were able to handout our newly printed Too Broke for Sturgis "Save the date" cards to attendees and other event vendors. Thanks to the chapter members for attending and setting up the tent.

Working on improving membership communications – we created a new facebook page(any ABATE member can join) and using the ABATE email communication system. So far, we have had some good posts from members about upcoming events and PAC items.

Based on input from members, our meeting time and location needs to be changed. Looking to move to 10 a.m. on Sunday morning and a location that provides us a private meeting space, food and drink. Will advise when something is figured out.

Keeping the membership informed of the Too Broke for Sturgis event – handed out cards and instructions and request members seek out vendors and sponsors. Also informed membership that each chapter is requested to provide a MS Too Broke for Sturgis contestant nominee. A nominee was suggested at our last meeting and awaiting an acceptance.

Informed membership that volunteers are needed at event to assist with the various activities – as we did last year, if you volunteer for two four hours shifts, your event admission is free.

Anyone needing more information on Too Broke for Sturgis please review the webpage at: [www.toobrokeforsturgis.com](http://www.toobrokeforsturgis.com) or [www.facebook.com/toobrokeforsturgis.com](http://www.facebook.com/toobrokeforsturgis.com).

In March and April is when the high schools invite us into their drivers education classes to teach our Motorcycle Awareness Program. We have been

teaching the event at various valley high schools for the past 20 years. We are in need of volunteers to either conduct the class on their own or assist the current instructors(conduct the outdoor motorcycle demonstration part). If interested in helping out or have information on other high schools that would be interested in having us present please contact the chapter coordinator.

Take care and ride safe,

Joe Silk

### Southern Arizona Chapter

Saturday, February 26, 2022, RUN FOR FISHER HOUSE, presented by the Southern Arizona Chapter! Please come out and support! If you cannot make it out, you can still donate. All proceeds benefit the Fisher House Foundation for the SAVAHCS.

SB1273 TWO-WHEELED MOTORCYCLE OPERATION is moving through the Senate. This bill will give operators a legal option to filter between stopped vehicles. Lane filtering has been effective in reducing rear end collisions! Please log into the RTS System, create an account if you do not have one and show your support! If you need help getting an account set up, please contact your nearest Chapter representative and we will gladly help!

Anissa "Dragonfly" Huntington

### Yavapai Chapter

NO REPORT.

### Yuma Chapter

NO REPORT.

## PASSING OF JERRY DAVIS

By Mary K. Donnay

January 26-PHOENIX

It is with great sadness that I announce the passing of JERRY DAVIS, Phoenix Spartan Rider's Motorcycle Club. He suffered a heart attack at home. Jerry was a member of Phoenix Spartan Riders MC

for almost 30 years, and a member of ABATE of AZ since 1986, 36 years! He was our Phoenix/Shadow Mtn. Chapter Sergeant-at-Arms for the last MANY years. He and his wife, Janice, seldom missed a meeting. When you saw one, you saw the other. He knew how to keep a meeting in order, and would chastise anyone disrupting or having side conver-

sations with a "Hey, shut the fuck up! We're in a meeting!". Jerry contributed a lot to our organization by keeping current on legislative & organizational issues and expressing his viewpoint. Jerry worked to keep the motorcycle community tight, and in constant communication. He was quick to compliment a job well done, or tell you to "squat and drop".

We're sure going to miss his presence, insight and smart sense of humor.

As of this writing, memorial arrangements had not yet been announced.

R.I.P. Freedom Fighter!



# Coast to Coast

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**U.S. MOTORCYCLE SALES CONTINUE UPWARD TREND**  
New motorcycle sales in the U.S. continued to rise across all segments last year, the Motorcycle Industry Council (MIC) announced. While bike sales continue to improve, it's also worth noting that the Motorcycle Safety Foundation saw enrollment in its basic rider courses grow significantly in 2021 as well, so it's good news all-around with more riders on more bikes.

"In addition to strong sales, we are seeing strong demand for riding training and education," said MIC president and CEO Erik Pritchard. "The Motorcycle Safety Foundation saw an estimated 48% increase in enrollment in 2021 over 2020."

Overall motorcycle sales rose 14.2% over 2020, and 21.8% over 2019 figures, across all segments. That includes scooters, which by themselves rose 19.6% over 2020, and 31.4% over 2019 numbers, while on-road bike sales rose 12.9% over 2020, but what's especially encouraging is sales of dual-sport and off-road bikes. The strange year that was 2020 saw a 46.2% increase in dual sport sales over 2019 numbers, and in

2021 dual-sport motorcycle sales rose an additional 18.6% over those 2020 numbers. Pure off-road bikes also saw sales rise 42.9% in 2021 over 2019.

These marketing figures were gleaned from sales data that the MIC compiles from 14 major OEMs and distributors across America, and it's an encouraging outlook as we vroom into 2022.

**BUMPER YEAR FOR BIKING DESPITE REPEATED COVID THREATS**

Amidst the doom and gloom of both winter weather and the lingering effects of the global pandemic, it may come as a surprise that 2021 was one of the strongest years for motorcycling in well over a decade, with new bike sales worldwide on an upward swing and more people joining the two-wheeled fold.

Anecdotal evidence from training schools here and across the pond reflected a huge surge of people wanting to get into motorcycling and now the latest data confirms it.

Ducati reports that 2021 was their best sales year on record, up globally an impressive 24% on 2020, which was heavily impacted by Coronavirus, but also a massive 12% up on 2019.

And it's not just Ducati celebrating suc-

cess either, with BMW announcing 2021 was their best-ever year of global sales - jumping 14.8% from 2020.

Despite concerns an exit from the European Union might hinder growth in the UK, motorcycle sales there increased by 26.6%, spurring a 9.3% rise in registrations.

**BRACE FOR DAMAGED SUPPLY CHAIN RECOVERY**

With 2021 being the rollercoaster that it was, supply chains around the world have been hit with a crisis of limited product availability: "Starting in 2020, companies reacted to the economic downturn by cancelling production plans for the next year, only to be blindsided by an upswing in demand prompted by rapid vaccine rollouts and fiscal support for rich-world household spending," explains a report from KitCo. "At the same time, virus containment measures and infection clusters triggered labour shortages and factory shutdowns, just as consumer spending was shifting from services to goods."

Right around this point was when the Powersports market saw an especially huge surge in sales; people had nowhere to go, so they bought bikes and other toys to have fun locally.

Today, restrictions are consistently looser than ever, thanks to the milder

Omicron variants -- and with the loosened limitations come a tentatively positive upswing for the market -- an upswing that, if we're lucky, will mean an end to supply shortages and the healing of damaged income streams, predicts web bikeworld.com.

"At some point during this year, we will see a more 'normal situation'," says Soren Skou, head of shipping giant Maersk, who predicts employees will soon return to work at ports, inflating demand for shipment services and thereby contributing to the mending of at least one sector of the supply chain.

All told, executives of Powersports manufacturers are anticipating a hike in raw product prices for 2022.

In the meantime, the global semiconductor shortage has impacted multiple industries, including automotive and powersports. Over 80% of the microchips in products consumed by Americans are manufactured in Asia, whose production has reduced following the pandemic. This has resulted in a severe shortage across the world.

As a result, companies like Bosch have increased investment in microchip manufacturing; however, it will be a while

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

- Encourage political involvement of its membership.
- Promote and present motorcyclists and motorcycling in a positive and safe manner.
- Help prevent motorcycle crashes and promote crash survival through rider education, and public awareness campaigns.
- Encourage ongoing federal research programs such as use of E15 fuel in motorcycles, inclusion of motorcycles in ongoing transportation emerging technologies, and improvements in safer roadway design strategies.
- Promote rider skills training

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

**Motorcycle Awareness Program (MAP)**

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

**ABATE accomplishments:**

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- 2002** Established Arizona Motorcycle Safety Council
- 2004** Established veteran plates for motorcycles
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- 2007** Removed cap on Motorcycle Safety Fund
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- 2018** Stopped the adoption of California emissions standards in Arizona
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**DUI offenders**

- 2019** Anti-profiling; encouraging prevention Memorial unanimously passed 60-0 in the House
- 2019** Mandatory helmet law with fees attached defeated once again
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**ABATE** Of Arizona provides a unified voice for all motorcyclists in Arizona. Add your voice to ours. Join ABATE now, for the preservation of your ability to ride a motorcycle with the freedom that's your right!!

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until new players like Intel Corp and Samsung can overcome the current deficit. House Democrats and President Biden are pushing for \$52B of investment in semiconductor production and research to speed up the process further.

For consumers, we've seen vehicle costs rise by over 10-15% the past couple of years due to product shortages and supply chain issues, and this will likely continue until a more permanent solution is found.

### STUDY SHOWS THAT ETHANOL IS WORSE FOR THE CLIMATE THAN GASOLINE

Analysis of corn-based ethanol production from end-to-end yields some potentially bad news for this biofuel. While riders have long understood that ethanol can have ill effects on our bikes, a new study published in the "Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences" found that it may have other downsides, too.

Ethanol was supposed to be environmentally advantageous as compared to gasoline, but in the study, researchers dove deeper into how the U.S. Renewable Fuel Standard's outcomes were measuring up to the country's goals. Instead of simply limiting its observations to any one part of the corn-based ethanol production and consumption processes, researchers gathered data on all parts of the ethanol production cycle.

Upon taking important things like land use changes, fertilizer increases, and the like into account, researchers reported findings that corn-based ethanol is 24% more carbon-intensive than gasoline production. If these numbers are even remotely accurate, it's concerning.

"It basically reaffirms what many suspected, that corn ethanol is not a climate-friendly fuel and we need to accelerate the shift toward better renewable fuels, as well as make improvements in efficiency and electrification," lead study author and scientist Tyler Lark said in a statement.

This study's release comes shortly before the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is expected to pro-

pose updated 2023 requirements to the country's biofuel policies.

**RHODE ISLAND PROPOSES TAX CUT FOR MOTORCYCLE RIDERS**  
Rhode Island has just had a 2022 budget proposal that could potentially provide a "sales tax exemption for the trade-in value of motorcycles."

Governor Daniel McKee's proposed 2022 budget, H 7123, includes motorcycle tax cuts used strictly for pleasure purposes;  
(67) Trade-in value of motorcycles "From the sale and from the storage, use, or other consumption in this state of so much of the purchase price paid for a new or used motorcycle as is allocated for a trade-in allowance on the motorcycle of the buyer given in trade to the seller, or of the proceeds applicable only to the motorcycle as are received from the manufacturer of motorcycles for the repurchase of the motorcycle whether the repurchase was voluntary or not towards the purchase of a new or used motorcycle by the buyer."

Gov. McKee's proposed tax break would only apply to the trade-in value of a bike, and reselling bikes in general, and could be a great way to get new riders on R.I. roads.

### UK DECARBONIZATION PLAN EYES E-BIKES

The British government has launched an action plan that it's hoped will help realize the potential electric motorcycles and scooters offer for reducing emissions and congestion. The Motorcycle Industry Association (MCIA) have been working with specialists tasked by the Government to find out what needed to be done to increase the use of smaller electric vehicles.

"Traditionally, powered two-wheelers and other types of PLVs (Powered Light Vehicles) have often been absent from national and local policy due to an underappreciation or lack of awareness of their potential benefits to the environment," says MCIA chief, Tony Campbell. "The launch of this Action Plan is a landmark for our sector, and we look forward to continuing our work

with the Government and industry to ensure the full and proper implementation of the Plan's recommendations."

The measures that the MCIA have recommended are broad and far reaching, covering everything from ensuring that licensing laws keep up with the evolution of new electric bikes to building a UK based supply chain to help lower costs.

**DANES FACE MOTORCYCLE CONFISCATION FOR 'INSANE' RIDING**  
Danish authorities are confiscating three motorcycles a day for what the authorities are claiming is 'insane' riding. The rules first came into force in March 2021, and in a nutshell, allow the police and authorities to enforce much stricter penalties for what is deemed to be dangerous and illegal riding or driving. Up to and including the offender's vehicle being seized, with seized machines sent off and sold at auction!

The scheme isn't just aimed at residents of the Nordic beauty spot, those traveling in and through the nation are also liable. FEMA (Federation of European Motorcyclists' Associations) reports that anyone touring in or through, holidaying, or on business in Denmark, using two wheels or four is liable to be hit with the same penalties.

The system seems to be working too, as FEMA reports that in the first six months after the new rules came into force, the police seized a total of 510 vehicles, while 623 charges have been filed in 586 cases involving "insane driving."

**RESEARCHERS FIND DRIVERS AND RIDERS SEE DIFFERENTLY**  
A road safety study from England's Bournemouth University has found that drivers and riders on the road see 'different things' and have a very different visual perception of what is going on around them.

The project was led by PhD researcher (and BMW rider) Shel Silva, who assessed the neurological and cognitive influences of motorcyclists and car drivers.

"The brain has developed an interest in things which are threats," explains the report, which found that road users would see larger objects on the road, trucks, buses, and so on, as a greater threat than smaller objects such as motorcycles. Silva also found that a motorcyclist's identification, perception, and knowledge of potential risks would change depending on their motorcycling qualifications and experience.

To complete the study, Silva used eye-tracking and interviews using grounded theory to investigate the causes of collisions. It uncovered that a motorcycle rider can be masked by a natural blind spot in the human eye. And that a driver's brain can experience saccadic masking (when the brain fills in the information when moving the eyes from one point to another), potentially causing a motorcyclist to be obscured from view.

Silva recommends making minor lane adjustments prior to a maneuver or turn, which can trigger a visual orienting response to capture drivers' attention.

"The research is suggesting that by understanding motorcyclists' knowledge and identification of risks it is possible to better inform training and materials which appeal to motorcyclists," she said. "It is key to understand that motorcyclists do not need training about how to ride a motorcycle but would benefit from more skills regarding how to read the road and other road users."

**QUOTABLE QUOTE:** "Insanity in individuals is something rare -- but in groups, parties, nations, and epochs it is the rule."  
~ Friedrich Nietzsche (1844 - 1900), German Philosopher



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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 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 Buttsback (520)247-3051 or jimbuttsback@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.

### 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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## John BigKnife, was killed

It is with GREAT sadness that we let you all know that our Chapter member, John BigKnife, was killed in a motorcycle

accident on Tuesday, February 8th. John joined Mohave Chapter in January 2021. Our regret is that we did not have more

time to get to know you better John. Many people that we spoke with have said that you were an awesome man.

Ride free John. You will be missed!!!



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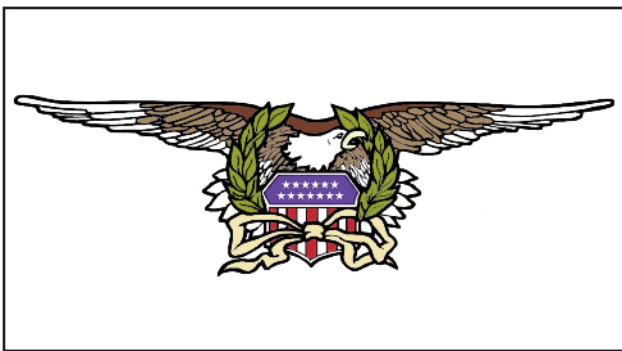
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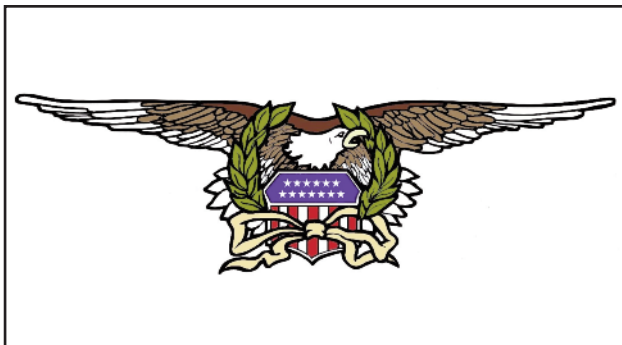
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## Zero to Zen: The Health Benefits of Motorcycling

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Naysayers are quick to spout the dangers of motorcycling but friends, and countrymen lend me your helmetless ears. The psychological and emotional benefits of riding are real. The sense of freedom, thrill of acceleration, escaping the confines of convention, are all real and any rider will confirm that. Motorcycle riding also has physical health benefits. What are these you ask? Vibration, yes folks that purr of an internal combustion V-Twin over the road helps in so many ways.

My yoga teacher here in Sedona espouses the benefits of vibrations and OOO MMM does have a nice low note. Much scientific research has gone into the study of electro-acoustic vibration. All things vibrate. Motorcycling stimulates blood flow expanding the capillaries creating a tingling feeling. My girlfriend has confirmed the latter.

During this last year of sequestration, I've driven my Twin-Processor (P-Twin) customized hi-rez video flat screen desktop computer more than my motorcycle, and I have developed a mild form of carpal tunnel

syndrome caused by repetitive mousing side-to-side wrist motion. (Draw cartoon character mousing left to right at a computer (with a helmet on)

My doctors, "Davidson Prescription," purports that a motorcycles hand throttle and braking action require the exact opposite up-down wrist twisting motion. (Draw character on a bike hand-throttling up and down)

Exercising this opposing motion coupled with vibration (that stimulating blood flow expanding the capillaries business) actually reduces carpal tunnel problems, farfetched? This is Rx approved therapy my friends!

Driving the P-Twin desktop also requires endless up and down keyboard/screen forward facing head motions. (Remember the cartoon character)

Constant and extreme left and right head movements of motorcycling again, require the exact opposite movements. Eyeing soccer mom texting in a SUV drifting in from the left while assessing exit strategies between Big Rigs on the right, this contrary motion coupled with

vibration help alleviate stiff-neck tension.

What about that achin' back? Even though the seat of my computers P-Twin desktop has lumbar support and cushy mesh fabrics, still I'm hunched over with my face in a monitor soaking up radiation like hot pockets in a microwave.

Sitting on my motorcycles saddle actually demands a spinal alignment that would make my yoga teacher proud. Coupled with those excellent vibrations, Chakras wide open and chanting Harley Krishna Harley Krishna.

Moto Yoga  
So, while you're out soakin up all these good vibes my yoga teacher has also given me exercises to do while riding. Since we just sit for hours at a time on our motorcycles why not do something that promotes better health?

Muscle Tension: Shoulders, neck and back get tense sitting on the bike and these exercises can really help loosen you up.

1. Shoulder Release: Bring you shoulders up to your neck and squeeze tightly then

just release. Do this a dozen times and its instant neck and shoulder relief.

2. Shoulder Rolls: Roll both shoulders forward in a circular motion several times then reverse the motion several times

3. Lower Back: She has a stretch called round the world that's perfect while riding. While holding the handlebars make wide circular motions forward and backwards from the waist, then reverse several times.

You can check these out on YouTube video link: [https://youtu.be/aludsQh\\_XZY](https://youtu.be/aludsQh_XZY)

Breathing Techniques: Strangely enough I breathe completely different while riding. I hold my breath while accelerating onto the freeway, changing lanes or passing BigRigs. Also, with all the wind in my face I seem to breathe sporadically. Breath Awareness is profoundly simple technique that will increase your overall sense of wellbeing and enjoyment of the present moment.

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## Events Calendar

3/5 {Sat} Celebration of Life, Bruce 'Meltdown' Newkirk WILL START at 1230pm at American Legion Post 35 in Chandler. FMI: MK 602-751-3180 or chairman@abateofaz.us

3/5 Conceal Carry Class @ 10am at Superstition Harley-Davidson® - 2910 W. Apache Trail Apache Junction, 85120 When: Saturday, March 5, 2022 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM FMI: 480-346-0600, WWW.SAFECW.COM

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## AMA News

Washington, D.C. — With traffic fatalities increasing, the nation's top safety investigator says a widely cited government statistic that 94% of serious crashes are solely due to driver error is misleading and that the Transportation Department should stop using it.

Jennifer Homendy, the chair of the National Transportation Safety Board, said she's surprised the wording remains

on the department's website even as the Biden administration pledges to embark on a broader strategy to stave off crashes through better road design, auto safety features and other measures.

Auto safety advocates have been calling on the department for years to stop using the statistic, including requests by Homendy in recent months as well as a letter from auto safety groups to

Transportation Secretary Pete Buttigieg. They call the figure an unacceptable "excuse" for surging crashes. In a section touting the safety potential of automated vehicles, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's (NHTSA) website states, "94% of serious crashes are due to human error."

Responding, NHTSA said it will update the wording soon. The oft cited figure

stems from a 2015 NHTSA memo stating that "the critical reason, which is the last event in the crash causal chain, was assigned to the driver in 94% of the crashes." However, the memo also included a caveat that a "critical reason" is "not intended to be interpreted as the cause of the crash" and pointed to other significant factors.

## Zero to Zen: The Health Benefits of Motorcycling (continued)

1. Visualize your heart, this centers your body rhythms.

2. Slow your breath down, taking long deep breathing in and out through your nose.

3. Tune into the sound of the wind in your helmet, hear the air flow, feel your breathing pattern.

4. Breathe in and out with a rhythm your heart, i.e., one breath every four beats.

Breath Awareness has proven health benefits of lowering your stress and improving your focus. It will actually create more con-

sistent intervals between the heart beats and breathe which is said to raise your immune system response and bring you back into a state of peaceful alertness.

Hydrate Yourself. Keep a water bottle holder on your bike within easy reach. Invariably I'll look down and remember to drink. Stay hydrated.

Snack While Riding: We tend to push ourselves to the destination then attack our food like a hungry wolf. Keep a magnetic tank bag or power bars easily assessable and have one every hour or so. More calories are burnt per hour riding a motorcycle

than having sex so with water, food combined with some stretching exercise you really can ride towards better health. I stand up on my floorboards to stretch my legs, you'll feel better, less tense and more refreshed. As you know this is sketchy like in dangerous, so I stretch and do squats at gas stops.

Legal Disclaimer: I of course have absolutely no medical proof whatsoever to support any of these claims. I just feel better overall when I ride so if you're feeling kinda tight, I prescribe Kozmo's Zero to Zen resolution to feel better, lose weight and have fun: all you have to do is ride

more!

Editor's Note: There is so much more to what the Spiritual One has mentioned. Anything that causes extreme focus is a form of meditation. Tearing around bends in the brilliant sunlight includes taking in vitamin D, and we need it. Focus on all the muscle groups working during a hard ride through Monument Valley. Other than sitting on your ass, all your senses are pumping and multiple muscle groups are aware and active. Ride Fast and Free Forever.

--Bandit

**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.

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

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# Motorcycle Riders Foundation 2022 Legislative Priorities

In November of 2021, Congress reauthorized many of the highway bill statutes until 2026. This process, which was delayed for over a year, now frees Congress to act on other transportation related priorities, left unaddressed in the highway bill. Issues like autonomous vehicles, profiling, fuel supply vs electric vehicles and changes to the tax system that funds future infrastructure spending will all likely gain the attention of lawmakers.

These topics, as well as others listed in our 2022 legislative agenda, remain key components of the Motorcycle Riders Foundation's (MRF) mission. As always, we will look for opportunities to pass standalone bills that protect motorcyclists and work within larger bill to ensure our rights and priorities are protected. The 2022 legislative agenda remains robust and focused on issues that you as riders face every day.

At the 37th annual Meeting of the Minds Conference held in Atlanta, Georgia a Legislative Strategy Session was hosted by the MRF's Legislative Committee. The purpose of the session was to establish and prioritize the MRF's Federal Legislative Agenda for 2022. These priorities are categorized below. Note that at any time, an item may move to a different category depending on the likelihood of activity. This list should remain fluid and can be adaptable depending on the issue and political environment.

## 2022 HIGH PRIORITY OBJECTIVES

### Profiling:

Promotes increased public awareness on the issue of profiling of motorcyclists.

Encourages collaboration and communication with the motorcycling community and law enforcement to engage in efforts to end profiling of motorcyclists.

Urges state law enforcement officials to include statements condemning profiling of motorcyclists in written policies and training materials.

Outlaws the practice of profiling of motorcyclists.

### Renewable Fuels:

Support the universal availability of approved fuel blends, containing no more than 10 percent ethanol by volume.

Promote additional research and independent studies concerning the effects of higher blends of renewable fuels on motorcycles.

Ensure the availability of separate pumps (i.e., no multi-dispensing) to minimize the risk of damage to motorcycle engines where higher blend of renewable fuel blends is available.

Sustain lobbying efforts for the passage of the Consumer Protection and Fuel Transparency Act of 2019 (H.R. 1024) or similar legislation which requires information to be provided to the public about the risks associated with the improper use of E15 fuel in certain vehicles, engines, and equipment. This legislation:

Revises current EPA rule to include warning labeling requirements for fuel pumps that dispense E15.

Requires the EPA to create a public education campaign about the risks of unauthorized use of E15 as well as the vehicles, engines and equipment prohibited from using E15.

Defines multi-dispensing nozzle and requires an additional warning label on multidispensing nozzles to warn consumers of the residual fuel left in gasoline pump hoses from the previous individual dispensing.

### Autonomous Vehicles:

Advocate and monitor any legislation or regulations related to motorcycles concerning connected and autonomous vehicles (AV):

Endorse rulemaking to set new standards specific to seeing, detecting, and properly reacting to motorcycles.

Ensure motorcycles are part of all testing and development procedures.

Promote that any AV public user advisory committees should include a representative from the motorcycle community and a motorcycle manufacturer.

Require a public, easily accessible, and searchable database where consumers can look up important safety information such as the limitations and capabilities of different products offered by AV manufacturers or service providers.

Require that all AV manufacturers must submit safety evaluation reports to detail and make public how their vehicles identify motorcycles among other road users. Manufacturers must also include human error analysis in safety reports.

Require that all AV manufacturers must publicly report crash data reporting incidents between AVs and motorcycles just as they would incidents between AVs and other road users.

Protect the safety of motorcyclists with any rules or standards as it relates to electronic and cybersecurity systems including the clarification of rights of data ownership of any recorded data in the context of connected and autonomous vehicles.

Inclusion of motorcyclists' perspectives in discussions regarding the Intelligent Transportation System (ITS).

Work to ensure motorcycles are a separate classification of vehicle and road user for purposes of regulation and testing of AVs.

Protect the set aside radio spectrums necessary for DSRC vehicle to vehicle communications.

### Emission Regulations:

Engage the EPA & Congress on any activity related to motorcycle emission regulations including the RPM ACT, H.R. 3281, S. 2736 or similar legislation.

### Definition of a Motorcycle:

Educate policymakers and advocate for change to current definition that better reflects the current two and three-wheel motorcycle landscape. Collaborate with appropriate stakeholders concerning the federal definition of a motorcycle, ensuring that crash and fatality statistics continue to be separate from other classes of vehicles including autocycles, non-motorcycle powered vehicles such as mopeds, scooters, and various cabin-based steering wheel type vehicles.

### Crash Avoidance:

Continue to promote the theme of crash

avoidance versus safer crashing urging NHTSA and the DOT to focus on crash prevention and rider education.

### Helmet Laws:

Oppose any mandatory federal helmet, apparel, or conspicuity standards. Advocate for limiting funding of any federal government entity with increasing involvement in advocating for a universal helmet law or similar initiatives.

### Black Box / Data Recording:

Pursue legislative language that any collected or available vehicle data is the property of the consumer and in which the consumer has the choice to opt-out of having their personal data communicated to interested parties.

### Surface Transportation Reauthorization (Highway Bill):

Advocate and pursue legislative efforts related to the next highway bill reauthorization (expiring in 2026). Ensure the following provisions are included:

Preserve the Motorcycle Education & Awareness Program Grant Funding.

Preserve the ban on federal funding for Motorcycle Only Checkpoints.

Preserve the NHTSA Lobbying Ban and expand to other federal agencies.

Preserve the Motorcycle Advisory Council (MAC) to advise the FHWA.

Preserve motorcycles are not considered single-occupancy vehicles for HOV lane access.

Oppose any motorcycling related federal blackmails or federal sanctions.

Monitor for any action that would negatively impact motorcycles, motorcycling, and motorcyclists.

Advocate the integration of an updated federal definition of a motorcycle.

Advocate a mandate that autonomous vehicles must detect and respond to motorcycles.

Advocate for expanding opportunities to address motorcyclist profiling.

Ensure motorcycles are not banned from federally funded roads.

### Combustion Engines:

Work to ensure the survival of combustion engines. Including elimination of the California air quality waivers which threaten combustion engine production.

### 2022 MEDIUM PRIORITY OBJECTIVES

#### Roadway Design:

Pursue safer roadway design strategies in federal infrastructure legislation or discussions (i.e., MAC).

#### Discriminatory Legislation:

Oppose any motorcycling, motorcycle, or motorcyclist-based discriminatory legislation or rules proposed by the U.S. Congress or by any governmental agency.

#### Vulnerable Roadway User Terminology:

Monitor and ensure that motorcycles and

motorcyclists are a specific and unique category or classification.

### Gang, Club and Other Language:

Monitor and respond to federal legislative or regulatory activity concerning the usage of the terms gang, club, known associate, and associate when referring to motorcyclists.

### Taxes:

Encourage fair treatment of motorcyclist in any change to federal taxes related to transportation. Vehicle miles traveled and other tax proposals must account for the different impact motorcycles have on infrastructure.

### 2022 MONITOR ITEMS

#### Distracted Driving:

Work to discourage any/all forms of distracted driving.

#### Sound Testing:

Monitor any SAE Motorcycle Roadside Sound Testing (addressed by individual states).

Monitor any action by the EPA Office of Noise Abatement

#### International Partnerships:

Continue participation in motorcycle-related activity in the European Union, United Nations, and Canada informing the membership of key developments.

#### National Studies:

Continue monitoring any national studies concerning motorcycles (i.e., Federal Crash Causation Study or MSF Naturalistic Study).

#### Exhaust Systems:

Monitor and vigorously oppose any federal standard proposing stamping and certifying of motorcycle exhaust systems.

#### Opponents:

Monitor private and public organizations that oppose the legislative agenda or mission of the MRF.

#### Tolling:

Monitor fair tolling concepts on federally funded roadways and projects supported by federal bonds.

Monitor any congestion tolling concerning motorcyclists by federal, state, or local governmental agencies.

#### Lane Splitting:

Monitor and support federal efforts to study and review the benefits and concerns of lane splitting and lane filtering.

#### Emissions:

Monitor and report on any litigation related to motorcycle emissions violations.

#### Tariffs:

Monitor any tariffs on imported motorcycles, parts, or apparel.

# Celebration of Life for Bruce 'Meltdown' Newkirk

Bruce Newkirk, of Arizona Rider Motorcycle News, passed away on December 17, 2021.

There will be Celebration of Life on Saturday, March 5th, 2022 at American Legion Post 35 in Chandler, located at 2240 W Chandler Blvd. Chandler, AZ 85224. It will be in their outdoor venue, offering lots of room for people to social distance if they feel the need.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Bruce's

name are suggested to the American Service Animal Society aka Dogs4Vets -- online at <https://dogs4vets.org/>. If checks are mailed, please put his name in the memo line.

People are invited to start congregating at Post 35 between 11:30a - 12:30pm. Service will start between 12:30-1pm, followed by an afternoon of visiting, sharing stories, and camaraderie in Bruce's name.

A Tribute Ride to escort Bruce's ashes to American Legion Post 35 for the service will depart from Superstition Harley-Davidson, 2910 W Apache Trail, Apache Junction, AZ. 85120. For those who wish to participate, either by bike or auto {Bruce loves cool cars as well as motorcycles!} please be at SHD by 11:15am. Kickstands up 11:30a.

There will be a potluck after the service & donations to that are greatly appreciated. MaryK (602-751-3180 or chair-

man@abateofaz.us) is coordinating that so as not to end up with too much of some things and not enough of others.

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

This will be a Celebration of a Life well lived, in a community he loved so much. Thank you.

## Washington, France, Germany, Italy: Speed Cameras Foiled

<https://www.thenewspaper.com/>

Washington, France, Germany, Italy: Speed Cameras Foiled  
Strikes, spraypaint and fire prevented a handful of speed cameras from issuing tickets last week in Seattle, Washington, France, Germany and Italy.

Decorated Italian speed camera

By Richard Diamond/Staff Reports

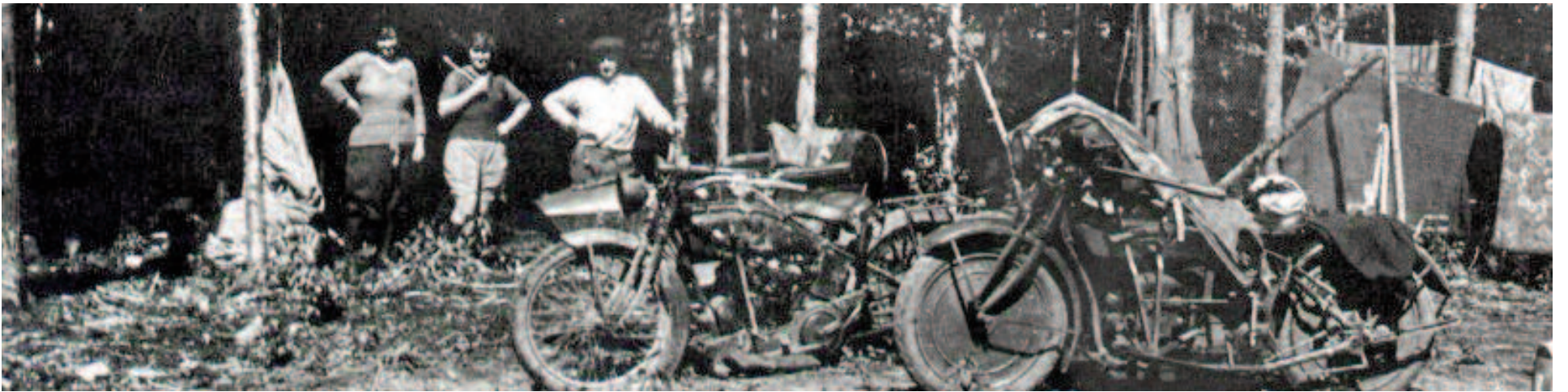
Concrete workers in Seattle, Washington, have foiled attempts to install speed cameras on 24th Avenue East by going on strike, citing complaints over wages and working conditions.

Vigilantes in Lamballe-Armor, France,

on Wednesday disabled the speed camera on the RD791 by painting its lenses black. In Lolif, vigilantes cut down and burned the turret speed camera on the RD973 on Friday, February 4.

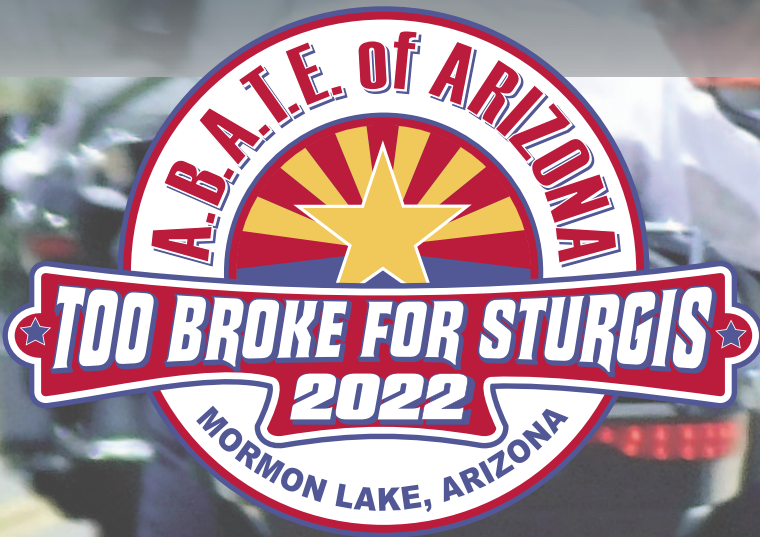
In San Donato Milanese, Italy, on Thursday, vigilantes knocked over the "Velo OK" brand speed camera on the Via Marignano and covered it with pastel

green, purple and blue spraypaint. Another camera on the Via De Gasperi was likewise uprooted and spraypainted with a light blue shade of paint. In Lubeck, Germany, vigilantes glued cardboard to the speed camera on the B75 on Sunday, February 6, blinding the device.



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## Arizona Advances Autonomous Vehicle Policy and Technology

By Douglas Shinkle

Catching a ride in an autonomous vehicle—once a futuristic wish—is slowly becoming a reality in the United States, with Arizona offering a glimpse of what the future may look like for passengers riding in self-driving vehicles.

The Future of Transportation

Three state transportation leaders share how they are preparing their states for a rapidly changing transportation landscape. Join us Nov. 3-5 at this year's Legislative Summit in Tampa, Fla., to learn more about how states are shifting to new user fees and funding sources, grappling with the advent of autonomous vehicles and working with private industry to improve transportation infrastructure.

Arizona previously regulated autonomous vehicle testing and operation by executive order. The Legislature held off on enacting autonomous vehicle statutory requirements to allow flexibility for technology companies testing in the state. However, in March, the Legislature enacted, and the governor signed, HB 2813, establishing standards for driverless vehicles in the state. Notably, the law does not distin-

guish between testing and operating autonomous vehicles on public roads and allows commercial services such as passenger transportation, freight transportation and delivery operations to be fully autonomous. A licensed driver may operate an autonomous vehicle on public roads if the individual can resume part of the driving task or respond to requests to intervene.

A fully autonomous vehicle can operate on public roads without a human driver, but only if the operator submits a law enforcement interaction plan that addresses the protocol developed by the Arizona Department of Public Safety and certifies to the Department of Transportation that the vehicle meets certain standards and is titled, registered, licensed and insured.

The vehicle also must follow federal laws and standards, comply with all traffic and vehicle safety laws and achieve a "minimal risk condition" if the automated driving system fails. Minimal risk condition is defined in Arizona law as "a condition to which a human driver or an automated driving system may bring a vehicle in order to reduce the risk of a crash when a given trip cannot or should not be com-

pleted."

Companies Ramp Up Testing and Operations

Waymo, one of many technology companies testing autonomous vehicles in the U.S., now is giving fully autonomous rides, with no backup drivers in certain instances, for ride-hailing customers in the Phoenix suburbs of Chandler and parts of Tempe. The Waymo One service has been offering rides to anyone who downloads the app in their service area since October 2020.

Phoenix's sunny weather, lack of freezing temperatures and moisture, relative paucity of pedestrians and wide roads made it an ideal environment for deploying the world's first fully autonomous commercial ride-hail service. It's not the only environment where testing has occurred, though; Waymo has tested in more than 25 locales with differing weather and traffic conditions, including the San Francisco Bay Area, Florida, Washington state and others.

Other states and cities are embracing autonomous vehicle testing as well. For example, according to a

recent TechCrunch article, there are now eight companies in California that have procured California Public Utilities Commission permits to provide rides to passengers in autonomous vehicles with safety drivers present. One company, Cruise, has been cleared to carry passengers in vehicles without a driver present. However, none of the companies is yet permitted to charge for rides. Other companies are beginning tests in complex urban environments such as New York City and Miami.

Much of the rationale for autonomous technology is to reduce the thousands of annual traffic crash deaths in the U.S. Nearly 39,000 people died on American roads in 2020 compared with just over 36,000 deaths in 2019, according to estimates in a May 2021 report from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. As traditional efforts to increase road safety, including new laws and enforcement, seem to have stalled, safety advocates and technology boosters hope autonomous technology can make a real dent in traffic fatalities and injuries. Douglas Shinkle is the director of NCSL's Transportation Program.



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# NEW FEDERAL INFRASTRUCTURE LAW IS ONE PIECE OF ADOT FUNDING PROCESS

January 2022 ushers in a year in which funding for select future Arizona Department of Transportation projects will see an increase over the next five years. A portion of this increase is the result of the recent passage of the federal Infrastructure, Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), which uses a mix of funding determined by a formula, and money that will be available only through competitive grants. IIJA replaces the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST). The additional transportation funding is approximately a 20% increase from the existing federal funding the State of Arizona receives.

## A Welcome, Complex and Transparent Program Process

"We welcome additional funding opportunities and the certainty provided by this legislation over the next five years," ADOT Director John Halikowski said. "Federal funding for transportation is highly complex. We are committed to making this process transparent as part of managing the public's expectations, and will work with our federal partners and other transportation stakeholders to maximize the impact. We will continue to be aggressive and innovative to ensure Arizona takes advantage of every funding source."

## Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act Funding

IIJA money won't necessarily begin to flow to projects immediately, and ADOT does not yet know the timing of funding

and specific final amounts. For that reason, projects that will utilize the funding cannot yet be determined.

Arizona expects to receive through the IIJA an increase of more than \$200 million a year over the next five fiscal years between 2022 and 2026

That \$200 million per year is part of an overall \$5.3 billion (over five years) in what is known as "formula funding" allocated to the state based on an objective formula.

ADOT will retain some of that money for projects, while significant IIJA funding will be sent to local government agencies for their transportation projects, such as local street improvements, public transportation and airports.

The exact funding amounts and recipients won't be known until federal funding notices are provided by federal agencies later in 2022.

Competitive funding requires transportation agencies to submit competitive bids for discretionary money available from the federal government. ADOT will rely on added guidance from federal agencies to better understand what opportunities may be available for the state to pursue.

Also of note – ADOT's construction costs have increased 56% over the last five years, which means previously approved funding does not go as far as initially fore-

casted.

## Arizona State Transportation Board/Five Year Program

Projects funded by new money from IIJA will be approved by the Arizona State Transportation Board. ADOT projects require a robust planning and approval process. The overseeing authority is the Board, which approves a new Five Year Program each spring, with annual budgets adjusted to the latest financial forecasts set for each fiscal year. The Board awards construction contracts, monitors the status of construction projects and has the exclusive authority to issue revenue bonds for transportation financing. All meetings are open to the public.

Each year, the Board considers various updates to ADOT's Five Year Transportation Facilities Construction Program. This is essentially the blueprint for upcoming transportation projects. Projects may also require extensive review and approval for environmental, civil rights and other concerns.

## Major Projects Previously Funded and Underway

As 2022 progresses, Arizonans will see significant movement on major transportation projects funded prior to the IIJA. These include a key economic corridor in southern Arizona, as well as improvement projects on both I-17 and I-10:

State Route 189 in Nogales.

Interstate 17 from Anthem Way to Sunset Point.

Interstate 10 Broadway Curve Improvement Project.

Another potential, future project that has received significant attention is the proposed I-11 corridor, which would span 280 miles between Nogales and Wickenburg. I-11 is in the preliminary study phase, and no funding has been identified for additional, required environmental studies, planning or other work.

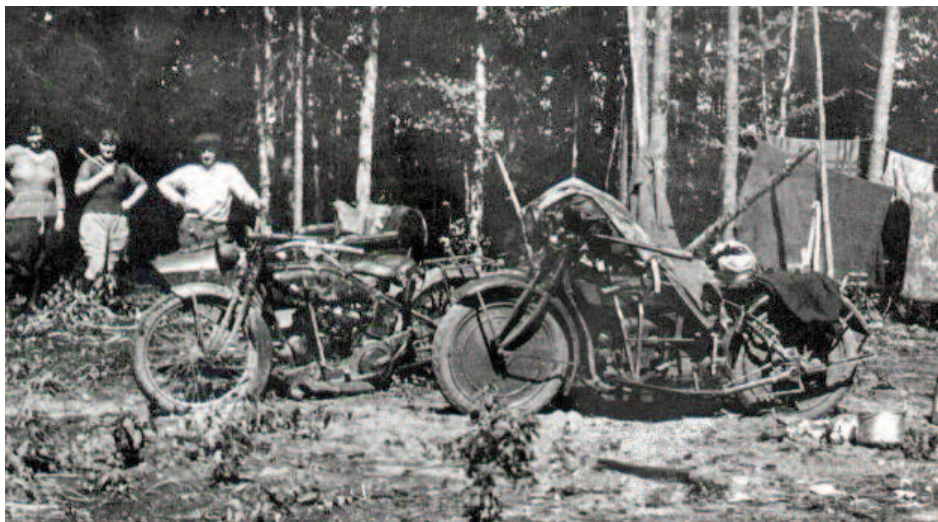
Dozens of other projects all around the state.

## Project Investment Categories

While new roads attract significant attention, ADOT also is focused on maintaining and operating existing roads and other infrastructure. Similar to how a homeowner does maintenance on their home, ADOT plans upkeep and unplanned work to repair assets all around the state and respond to specific conditions, incidents or events.

This link to ADOT's Project Investment Categories explains the five major categories in simple terms.

<https://apps.azdot.gov/files/Projects/project-investment-categories.pdf>



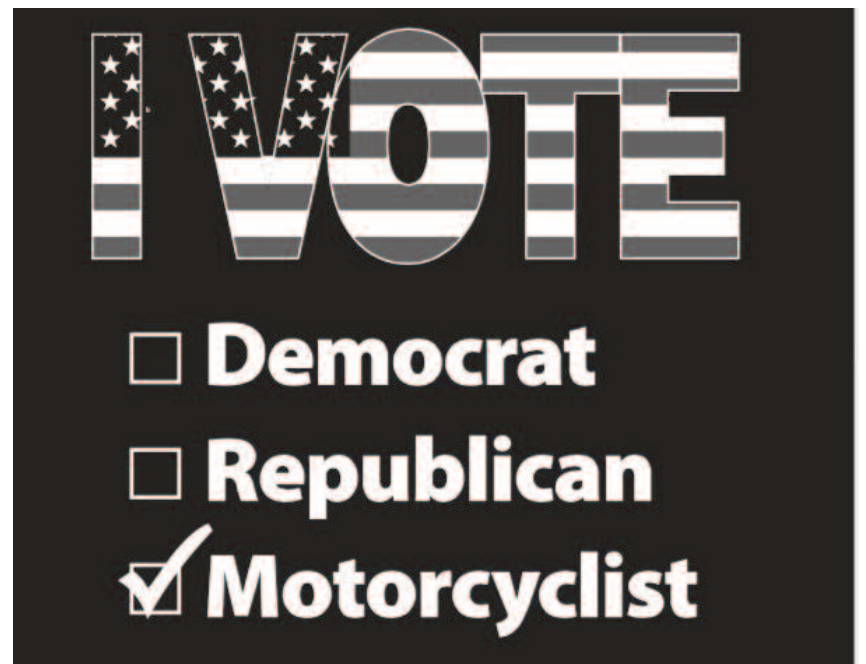
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# February and the Harley-Davidson Museum are a match made in Hog heaven

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MILWAUKEE, USA (Feb. 11, 2022) – It’s been said that while four wheels move the body, two wheels move the soul. But no matter how you get to the Harley-Davidson Museum® campus this month, you’ll find love is in the air. Check out the monthly specials and delicious Valentine’s menu from MOTOR® Bar & Restaurant available on Friday, Feb. 11 & Saturday, Feb. 12, or step up your couple-goals game with matching outfits found at The Shop. Of course, the unrivaled collection found within the halls of the H-D Museum are also sure to make your heart skip a beat.

Don’t forget to mark your calendars for the Mama Tried official pre-party, taking over MOTOR® Bar and Restaurant on Thursday, March 3.

Please note the H-D Museum™ campus has rolled out seasonal hours for February. The H-D Museum will be open Thursday – Monday, 10 a.m.–5 p.m. The Shop will be open Thursday – Monday, 10:30 a.m.–5:30 p.m. And MOTOR® Bar & Restaurant will be open 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. on Thursdays, Sundays and Mondays, and 11 a.m. – 8 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays. Beginning March 1, 2022, the campus will resume seven days a week operation.

**PROGRAMMING / EVENTS**  
Annual Pass  
Looking for interesting things to do and

ways to fully enjoy our programs and exhibits? The Harley-Davidson Museum’s new Annual Pass offers individual, family and VIP levels to fit your lifestyle. Just some of the perks of the new Annual Pass include: virtual access to the H-D Museum with various Harley history topics covered in our Virtual Gallery Talk series, admission discounts, free admission for children under age 18, merchandise discounts at The Shop, dining discounts at MOTOR® Bar & Restaurant and more. Visit H-D Museum.com for details and other terms and conditions.

Engineering Merit Badge (Saturdays at 11 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.)

All scouts are welcome to come earn their Engineering Merit Badge at the Harley-Davidson Museum! This experi-

ence will be partially facilitated as scouts explore the history of Harley-Davidson as well as the engineering of motorcycles as they complete the nine merit badge requirements. Advance registration is required. Program registration closes one week prior to the scheduled program date. Ticket includes: downloadable activity booklet used for the program, partially facilitated program, blue card signed by the facilitator (one blue card per scout registration) and an exclusive H-D Museum™ patch.

Scout Virtual Engineering Merit Badge (Saturdays at 8:30 a.m. and Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m.)

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## MRF Membership Form

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# AMSAF Continues to help the Community be safer

Mick Degn  
Executive Director  
Arizona Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Foundation (AMSAF)

The people of Arizona need to hear your voice.

Why, you wonder?

During the past year, more than 129,750 of your friends, neighbors and fellow citizens were involved in crashes and needlessly died driving and riding on our roadways. As individuals and business professionals, we have got to come together to help reduce distracted driving and the number of untrained motorcyclists. People are dying and being maimed on our roads everyday. Every week. Every month. However together, we can address this situation and help facilitate meaningful change. That's why your voice as a community leader is so important.

For a decade, Arizona Motorcycle Safety & Awareness Foundation (AMSAF) has been teaming up with corporations, small businesses, government and private citizens to address the staggering and senseless events on our thoroughfares everyday. Now, we want your important voice to be a part of the positive and exciting change that's underway.

## IT ONLY TAKES A SECOND

Can you imagine learning your loved one suffered multiple injuries in a crash with a distracted driver and was sent via emergency vehicle to a local hospital...that their injuries could be or are life-threatening...that their life may be changed forever?

AMSAF's committed team encompasses

many healthcare, insurance leaders and sponsors who understand all too well the incredible and very sad outcomes that result from distracted driving...they don't want to see the human traffic they do as a result of this growing problem. Let's work to change that.

The good news is that together, we can help change outcomes and enhance driver/rider safety.

Since its inception in 2011, AMSAF has grown as a community leader that communicates the distracted driving initiative and reaches out to the public at-large. That's what leaders do.

## OUR UNIQUE APPROACH

AMSAF and its partners, which encompass healthcare, insurance, legal, police departments, corporations and the Arizona Governor's Office of Highway Safety (AZGOHS), are working to provide the financial resources for discounted scholarships and to enhance education and awareness so drivers reduce distractions when they commute. These issues are critical because that driver or rider is someone with a family and life-long opportunities. That person could be one of your loved ones, so we are all in this together.

## CREATING A SERIES OF FIRSTS SCHOLARSHIPS FOR SMART STUDENTS

Forty percent of the motorcycle riders on Arizona roadways are untrained. And that's just dangerous. As one of our first programs, AMSAF created discounted scholarships for motorcycle riders. It became the largest single program we provide to promote motorcycle safety and awareness and to help reduce motorcycle crashes and fatalities.

This special program allows anyone in the state of Arizona to apply for, and receive, motorcycle training. The only cost is a \$100 non-refundable co-pay. This training educates new and current riders through hands-on education, awareness and scholarships.

To date, more than 5000 people have taken steps to become safer riders and received their endorsement through the AMSAF scholarship process. But scholarships aren't the only thing our team does well.

## USING OUR HEADS

While Arizona does not require that any rider wear a helmet, healthcare professionals will tell you helmets save lives. To encourage riders to protect themselves when out on the road, AMSAF helped create a special helmet program with a number of helmet dealers, great community partners. The one-of-a-kind helmet program helps individuals garner a quality DOT helmet with some financial assistance from AMSAF and a discount from the authorized dealers. The novel program has helped more than 1,000 individuals purchase a good full-face or modular DOT helmet at a reduced cost. And, helmet dealers like being part of giving back.

## BLUE POWER

Our team also often partners with local Arizona police departments in an effort to encourage safety when driving or riding. We share law enforcement's perspectives with the public as well. We also participate with Arizona in DUI kickoffs, Public Safety Days and community Police Public Safety Days. Because after all, the blue line are the eyes and ears on the road.

## NEWS AND OUTDOOR MEDIA OUT-REACH

Our team is actively involved in promoting the need for drivers to be more aware of their surroundings and to look for motorcycles and other vehicles as they commute. We do this through public safety outreach and community grassroots efforts including overhead sign messages, billboards, Tuesday safety tips, and social media, among other platforms. However, we want you to join us in developing new and better ways to achieve these goals. RIDING FOR THE LONG HAUL FUND-RAISER

## Share the Road

Every year, we put on a show with a theme Share the Road & Riding for the Long Haul fund-raiser that brings out the crowds. However, while we make this amazing auction and dinner a special experience for all, your ideas and participation will make this annual event better than ever. Strap on your seatbelt or helmet and enjoy the ride.

Join us as a participant, sponsor or both on May 7, 2022. [www.amsaf.org/RFTLH](http://www.amsaf.org/RFTLH). JOIN US

It's all about people, community and saving lives. As a leader, we encourage you to join AMSAF and other Arizona businesses and critical thinkers in working to diminish distracted driving. We know your insight and ideas will assist in driving the outreach forward.

Ride It Forward – Arizona Motorcycle Safety & Awareness Foundation ([amsaf.org](http://amsaf.org))  
Mick Degn, AMSAF executive director  
[mick@amsaf.org](mailto:mick@amsaf.org)/(888) 951-3732

Hey Cool Cats and Kittens,  
join AMSAF for a Rockin' 50s evening at:

# SHARE THE ROAD & RIDING FOR THE LONG HAUL Fundraiser

**Presented by:**



**Shrine Auditorium**  
552 N 40th Street, Phoenix, AZ 85008  
**Saturday, May 7, 2022**  
**5:30 to 9:30 PM**

For more detailed information and tickets go to [www.AMSAF.org/RFTLH](http://www.AMSAF.org/RFTLH)

**Friend of AMSAF Sponsor**  
(Table of 8) - \$1250  
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**Individual tickets - \$100**

**Door Prizes, Live & Silent Auctions plus Bucket and Mega Raffles**



Help us reduce crashes and fatalities in Arizona  
Share the Road  
Stop Distracted Driving




Arizona Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Foundation (AMSAF) is a non-profit organization. Donations are tax-deductible as allowable by law under IRS code 501(C) 3.



Invites you to attend the  
**32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Heartland S.T.E.A.M**  
**April 1-2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022**

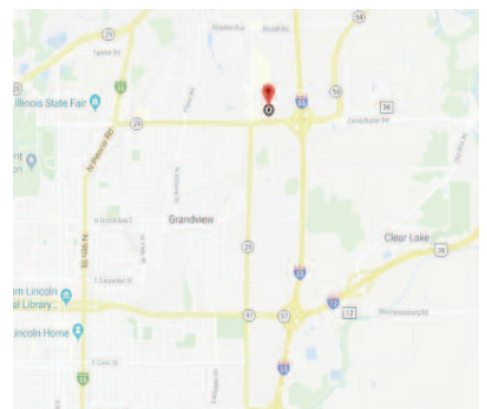
Join members of motorcycle rights groups from Illinois, Minnesota, Iowa, North Dakota, South Dakota, Wisconsin, and Nebraska as we unite to keep our freedoms. The Heartland STEAM conference will feature seminars to assist motorcyclists in defending, building, and strengthening our grassroots organizations. All profits from Heartland STEAM support the Motorcycle Rider's Foundation (MRF).

Northfield Inn, Suites & Conference Center  
3280 Northfield Dr  
Springfield, IL 62702  
[www.northfieldinn.com](http://www.northfieldinn.com)  
217-523-7900 or 866-577-7900

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Single or Double rooms are \$100.00/night +tax  
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Be sure to mention Heartland Steam during registration



**Room Discount Expires March 20, 2022**

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
Organization: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Registration Costs:  
\$50.00 per person before March 19, 2022 - \$65.00 per person after March 20, 2022  
Option to pre-order t-shirt. \$20.00 per t-shirt Shirt Size: \_\_\_\_\_

Registration Options:  
Major credit cards accepted starting December 27, 2021 at [www.abate-il.org](http://www.abate-il.org) or mail this registration form with check or money order to:  
ABATE of Illinois, Inc – Heartland STEAM  
PO Box 526  
Avon, IL 61415-0526  
Questions?? Email: Teri Smith at [secretary@abate-il.org](mailto:secretary@abate-il.org)





**SEPTEMBER 22-24, 2022  
DES MOINES, IOWA**

Des Moines Marriott Downtown | 700 Grand Avenue Des Moines, IA 50309  
 Room reservations call 515-245-5500 (mention Motorcycle Riders Foundation)  
 Room guest rate \$119/night. Cut-off date: September 7, 2022  
 Pre-registration for conference through the MRF, PO Box 250. Highland, IL 62249  
 Pre-registration (must be received by Sept. 8, 2022): \$100.00 (current member) / \$120.00 (non-member)  
 Registration rate after Sept. 8, 2022: \$110.00 (current member) / \$130.00 (non-member)  
 Registration includes all workshops, workshop materials, and Saturday banquet.  
 Registration questions call the MRF at 202-546-0983, or email Fred Harrell at fred@mrf.org.

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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:

ABATE of Arizona

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

Phoenix AZ 85020

**Important Phone Numbers**

**Aid to Injured Motorcyclists - A.I.M. - (800) 521-2425**  
24-Hr. Legal Assistance  
for all accidents

**Aid to Incarcerated Motorcyclists A.I.M. - (800) 235-2424**  
24-Hr. Legal Criminal Defense

**National Legislative Hot Line - (800) 300-NCOM**  
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**



Motorcycle Riders Foundation Awareness & Education, Inc.  
PO Box 581. Big Lake, MN 55309  
202-725-5471 [www.mrfae.org](http://www.mrfae.org)

Do you have time and skill set to do management of a 501 c 3 company?  
Taking applications for dedicated person to be the Chairman of the Board with  
Motorcycle Riders Foundation Awareness & Education, Inc. (MRFA&E)

MRFA&E holds an annual board meeting in person during the Motorcycle Rider's  
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Currently this is a non-paid position.

For more information about MRFA&E go to the website at [mrfae.org](http://mrfae.org)

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

Ride Aware,

Deborah Butitta  
Chairman of the Board  
Motorcycle Riders Foundation Awareness and Education, Inc.  
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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## February and the Harley-Davidson Museum are a match made in Hog heaven (continued)

This new 90-minute online program is open to scouts from all over the country. Our program facilitator will guide the troops and explore the role an engineer plays while creating a Harley-Davidson® Motorcycle. Nine requirements for the Engineering Merit Badge will be discussed during this virtual, interactive program. Advance registration is required. Program Fee: \$20 per Scout, which includes an activity booklet used during the program and a special H-D® patch upon completion of the program.

### MUST-SEE EXHIBITS AND INSTALLATIONS

Keith Brammer (Die Kreuzen) leather jacket (on display now)  
Perhaps no other genre of music is so closely associated with the classic black leather jacket than punk rock. Keith Brammer, of Milwaukee's hardcore punk band Die Kreuzen, has graciously lent his well-worn leather to the H-D Museum. The jacket was purchased in New York City in the 1980s and was a constant companion for Brammer throughout his touring days. Check out the Custom Culture gallery to view this piece of Milwaukee music history.

Inspiration and Recovery: Wounded Veteran Climbs the Seven Summits (on display now)  
In September 2009, Specialist Benjamin Breckheimer, a Cavalry Scout with the U.S. Army 2nd Stryker Brigade, 2nd Infantry Division, was severely wounded during a tour in Afghanistan. His rehabilitation was difficult as he endured numerous surgeries. During this same time, the Harley-Davidson Museum regularly sent care packages – including H-D Museum™ flags dotted with well wishes – to active-duty military person-

nel. Breckheimer took to mountaineering during his recovery and over the summer carried the H-D Museum flag to the summit of Denali, the highest point in North America. With that peak reached, Breckheimer became the first and only Purple Heart recipient to reach all the Seven Summits, the highest peaks on each of the seven continents. He continues to climb, and he shares his inspiring story to encourage resiliency and support the mental health of veterans and current service members.

Revolution® Max Engine (on display now)  
The brand-new Revolution® Max 1250cc engine powers a new generation of Harley-Davidson® motorcycles. See the liquid-cooled, 60-degree V-Twin that delivers for the Pan America™ adventure touring model and the performance cruiser Sportster® S motorcycle. On view in the Museum lobby.

Clubs & Competition (on display now)  
In the early part of the 20th century, motorcycle culture was a homegrown phenomenon. It grew out of the passion of riders for their evolving sport. The camaraderie that developed around riding and attending competitive events led to the formation of motorcycle clubs that hosted destination rides, family picnics with motorcycle games and other riding competitions.

The newly installed display case in the Clubs & Competition gallery highlights clothing from club members from primarily the 1930s and 1940s. The clothing selections on view include full dress uniforms, shirts, sweaters, jackets and caps, customized by the owners with their club's name and logo, and pins or patches indicating membership in the American Motorcyclist Association. The H-D

Archives collection includes Motorclothes® apparel sold in H-D® product catalogs but also non-H-D produced clothing items that have been proudly customized by riders.

Harley Fox (on display now)  
Gail Anderson's 1986 Softail® Custom motorcycle, "Harley Fox," built by her partner Bob Burrows, took top prize at the first Ladies of Harley® (LOH) ride-in show during Daytona Beach Bike Week in 1987. With her custom bike and themed riding gear, Anderson presented a striking image that fit the growing visibility and exciting new options for women riders in the 1980s.

Alfonso Sotomayor's 1957 Model FL (on display now)  
The Harley-Davidson Museum is proud to announce its collection has recently grown with the addition of a 1957 Model FL that was ridden by famed Mexican stunt rider and racer Alfonso Sotomayor Canales.

Harley-Davidson's history in Mexico dates back to at least 1913. In the 1920s, the brand was more frequently spotted throughout Mexico City as the motorcycles proved popular with the local traffic police who would also perform stunts with their Harley-Davidson® bikes. After racing from the 1930s into the 1960s, Sotomayor launched his own stunt riding career by performing the famed "Salto de la Muerte" or Jump of Death. Learn more about Sotomayor's feats of derring-do and Harley-Davidson's early entry into Mexico with this new display located in the Custom Culture area.

"Off-Road Harley-Davidson" (on display now)

In the decades before America paved its highways, early riders had to be prepared for all sorts of terrain: sand, clay or dirt – and wandering those makeshift byways were Harley-Davidson® motorcycles. Today, it's called off-road or adventure touring; back then it was just called riding. Since 1903, Harley-Davidson motorcycles proved their toughness by riding over wooded hills, through stone-choked creek beds and up mountain sides. "Off-Road Harley-Davidson" tells the history of motorcycles designed for rough roads, the people who rode them and the adventures they shared.

"Building a Milwaukee Icon: Harley-Davidson's Juneau Avenue Factory" (on display now)  
A recently recovered cache of architectural drawings includes plans for the original Juneau Avenue facility. The pencil drawings, along with archival photographs, demonstrate the whirlwind pace of the company's early growth. While building an international business—going from producing just over 1,000 motorcycles in 1909 to manufacturing 27,000 motorcycles in 1920—the company's Milwaukee factory experienced near-constant expansion. Construction through this relatively brief period created the buildings that today, a century later, are still the proud home of Harley-Davidson.

"Building a Milwaukee Icon" provides a snapshot of Harley-Davidson's formative years and illustrates a chapter of Milwaukee history when the city was known as the "Machine Shop to the World."

## Classified Ads

'70 Chevy4x4 half ton, sun roof, AC winch, 2 extra motors, 350, 48K on new motor! Lookd good, runs good. \$20K takes it. Jerry 602 459 4302



Yavapai Chapter A.B.A.T.E. Presents



# 1<sup>ST</sup> ANNUAL ROCK & OFFROAD RIDE

**DATE: Saturday, April 16, 2022, 9:00 AM**

**START LOCATION: VFW Bucky O'Neill Post 541, 202 N Arizona Ave, Prescott, AZ** (for ice breakfast available)

**FINISH LOCATION: Mark's Beer Garden, 1590 Swenson Street, Prescott AZ**

**SIGN IN:** get a map and leave at rider's own time. **SIGN UP STARTS 9:00 AM** first rider leaves by 10:00 AM.

**SIGN UP:** at the VFW Post 541 ABATE Chapter in station on Arizona Avenue.

**ENTRANCE FEE:** Free - Open to public

**Lunch starts at the BeerGarden at 2:00 pm** (burger & fries special \$10, & \$1 off draft & domestic)

**Mark @ the BeerGarden** roasts his own pig for sandwiches

**Music by Doc Garvey's Remedy:** starts at 5:00 PM

**@beergarden** Prizes with **RAFFLE & 50/50**



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## 21st Annual 3 Ball Run March 26, 2022



*Modified Motorcycle Association of Arizona Leather/Eagle District*

**Sign in at Beaver bar 10:00am 3 stops**

Come on out for an afternoon of 3 ball and a whole lot of fun! Come and show your skill! No experience necessary! Trophies for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and a Scratch award for last place.

\$5/per person

Sign in and end party at Beaver Bar 11801 N 19th Ave, Phoenix, AZ

Lowest 3 scores wins! Worst scores go in a drawing for the scratch award trophy.

Raffles & 50/50 Drink and Food Specials!

*"Proceeds to benefit continuing work for motorcycle rights in Arizona."*

**FMI call Cindy 623-695-5659 EVERYONE WELCOME!**