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Arizona is a state that boasts some of the most beautiful natural scenery in the country, with winding roads that offer breathtaking views. For motorcyclists, the state is a paradise, with its many twisting roads and stunning landscapes. However, despite the allure of motorcycling in Arizona, there are a number of transportation infrastructure issues facing motorcyclists that must be addressed to ensure safety on the roads.

One of the most pressing issues facing motorcyclists in Arizona is the state's infrastructure itself. Roads throughout Arizona are often poorly maintained, with potholes, cracks, and other hazards that pose significant risks to motorcyclists. These road hazards can cause crashes, often with serious injuries, for those on two wheels.

One potential solution to these infrastructure issues is to increase funding for road maintenance

and repair in Arizona. By investing in better infrastructure, the state could reduce the number of crashes caused by road hazards and create a safer environment for motorcyclists and other drivers alike.

Furthermore, education and awareness campaigns could be launched to promote safe driving practices and raise awareness of the dangers facing motorcyclists on Arizona's roads. These campaigns could target both drivers of other vehicles and motorcyclists themselves, with a focus on encouraging safe driving practices and reducing the number of accidents on the roads.

In addition to these infrastructure issues, there are also a number of cultural factors that contribute to the challenges facing motorcyclists in Arizona. For example, some drivers may not be aware of the unique risks and challenges facing motorcyclists, such as the need for more space on the road and the importance of avoiding sudden movements that could startle riders.

Another cultural issue facing motorcyclists in Arizona is the stigma often associated with riding a motorcycle. Some drivers view motorcyclists as reckless or dangerous, even though the vast majority of motorcyclists ride responsibly and follow the rules of the road. This stigma can lead to hostility and aggression towards motorcyclists on the road, further increasing the risks and challenges facing those on two wheels. I actually saw this recently when a car driver started yelling and screaming and driving aggressively behind a rider because he filtered at a stop light. LEGALLY!

To address these cultural issues, education and awareness campaigns should be launched to promote a greater understanding of the unique risks and challenges facing motorcyclists. These campaigns could focus on dispelling myths and misconceptions about motorcycling and promoting safe and responsible riding practices.

Overall, there are a number of transportation

infrastructure issues facing motorcyclists in Arizona that must be addressed to improve safety on the state's roads. By investing in better infrastructure and launching education and awareness campaigns to promote safe driving practices, Arizona can create a safer and more welcoming environment for motorcyclists and other drivers alike. Ultimately, it is the responsibility of all drivers to share the road safely and responsibly, regardless of the type of vehicle they are operating. By working together to promote greater awareness and understanding of the unique challenges facing motorcyclists, we can create a safer and more inclusive driving environment in Arizona and beyond.

Look twice for motorcycles!

Be good to one another.

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FMI contact Harley Pettit, (928) 530-2555, harley3787@gmail.com
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The East Valley chapter meets at 10:00 AM on the 3rd Sunday of every month at the American Legion Post 138(107 E Broadway Rd, Tempe, AZ 85282, SE Corner area of Broadway and Mill). Post 138 opens around 9a.m. and serve a great inexpensive buffet breakfast before and after our meeting. Come and hang out before or after the meeting! Riders of all types of bikes, non-riders, and non-members are always welcomed to attend!

Mohave Chapter

1451 E. Ruby Trail
 Fort Mohave, AZ 86426

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Mohave County Chapter meetings are held the 3rd Monday of the month 6:00 PM at:
 VFW Golden Valley, Post 2555, 6068 Supai Dr., Golden Valley, AZ 8641

High Country Chapter

605 W. Arabian Way
 Payson AZ 85541
 Coordinator.....Barry 'Double B' Bell
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 Secretary.....Sandra 'Jane' Bell
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 Events Coordinator.....Jacque 'Daisi' Whiting...
 Safety Coordinator.....Roy 'Fatboy' Whiting
 Sgt. At Arms.....Bill 'Silverback' Howard
 P.A.C.....Shawn "Yukon" Bell
 Communications.....Barry 'Double B' Bell
 Merchandise.....Jeff "Darkhorse" Sauer
 Media.....Denise 'Spitfire' Trolinder
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Until further notice, HCC meetings will be held immediately following the MMAA meetings (10:00am) the 3rd Saturday of each month. Meeting location is Monica's Cafe, 1100 West Hall St, Show Low, AZ 85901

ABATE High Country Chapter, P.O. Box 3424, Show Low, AZ 85902

Southern Arizona Chapter

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 Secretary.....Monica Byrne
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 Membership.....Jim Butsback
 Events Coordinator.....Robert "Gizmo" Welton
 Safety Coordinator.....Darron Huntington
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The Southern Arizona Chapter will meet the third Saturday of the month. We will gather at the Northwest Tucson Moose Lodge, 2660 W. Ruthrauff Rd., Tucson, AZ 85705 . Meeting time is 10AM

Phoenix-Shadow Mountain Chapter

P.O. Box 54041
 Phoenix, AZ 85078-4041
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 Vice Coordinator.....vacant
 Secretary.....Gwen Zolber
 Treasurer.....Lyn Peterson
 Membership.....Mike Rudd
 Events Coordinator.....One T, Scot Williamson
 Safety Coordinator.....Ernie Lizarraga
 Sgt. At Arms.....Paul Whaley
 P.A.C.....vacant
 Communications.....vacant
 Merchandise.....vacant

Phoenix/Shadow Mountain meetings are held on the 3rd Sunday of each month at 10:30am at the Phoenix/Shadow Mountain meetings are held on the 3rd Sunday of each month at 10:30am at the AZ Fraternal Order of Eagles 7575 N 67th Ave.Glendale, AZ 85301
 Breakfast 9am to 11:00 FMI: Chapter Coordinator Scot Williamson

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465 E Liana Dr.
 Chino Valley, AZ 86323
 Coordinators.....Tim Thomas
 Vice Coordinator.....Dan Tumey
 Secretary.....Dixie Gray
 Treasurer.....Dennis Banners
 Membership.....Holli Woolsey
 Events Coordinator.....Vacant
 Social Media.....Holli Woolsey
 Safety Coordinator.....AJ Killian
 Sgt. At Arms.....Sandra Tavers
 P.A.C.....Dennis Banners
 Communications.....Angela Buchler
 Merchandise.....Dennis Banners

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

For more information. Contact ycabateaz@gmail.com or call Dan @ 928-308-9911. See us on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/groups/ycabateaz/. Meet us at 5 for the VFW's very reasonably priced and tasty dinner.

Yuma Chapter

11316 S. Glenwood Ave.
 Yuma, AZ 85367
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 Vice Coordinator.....Frank White
 Secretary.....Mikkie Melanson
 Treasurer.....Robin Aitken
 Membership.....Doug Kreg
 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

End of the Road... Show

Heartland STEAM in Bismarck this weekend marks the unofficial conclusion of the 2023 MRF "Road Show". Beginning in January MRF board members have traveled to 23 states to speak and present at SMRO events. We are honored to be invited to so many events, and we do our best to attend all of them.

Getting out into the states and meeting with bikers is a critical part of what MRF board members do. Listening to presentations and having one on one conversations with bikers helps the MRF shape our agenda. We are successful in D.C. because of these interactions.

After Heartland STEAM, we will pivot to our next big event, Bikers Inside the Beltway. This May we again plan to take our message to the halls of Congress and

fight to protect the rights and freedoms of the street rider.

While this year's road show is ending, we are already planning the 2024 version. If you'd like a representative of the MRF to visit your state event let us know!

Thank you for the hospitality you've shown us, and let's continue to fight on!

As always Ride Safe and Ride Free!!!

The Masterlink is digital.

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

Mission Statement

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

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

a similar interest in preserving our American tradition of

FREEDOM.

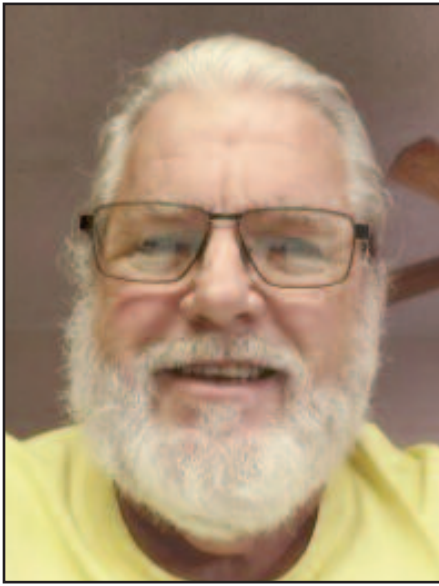
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President's Report



Greetings to all my Brothers & Sisters of ABATE of Arizona. May is upon us as this issue comes out. Spring has finally come to the entire state of Arizona. Those of us in the desert areas have had good weather but the high country and mountain areas of our great state are now fully into riding weather. As always the calendar is full of events and we all look forward to getting out and seeing friends and associates around the state that we may not have seen since last fall.

May is also Motorcycle Awareness Month, throughout this great country of ours organizations and municipalities are issuing proclamations and holding events to increase awareness of motorcycles on our nation's roads and highways. Please help spread the word and let folks know that it is everyone's responsibility to be careful and to "Look Twice-Save a Life". If you attend any of these events please take photos and report back to us what is

being done around our state to bring attention to this cause.

May is also the month that we celebrate our Moms! Mothers Day is May 14th. I would like to express ABATE's best wishes to all of the Mothers out there in our ranks. I hope all of our Mothers have a very special Mother's Day and for those who are no longer with us, we will cherish those memories of our Mother's Love.

The month of May is also very significant because it is also the month that we honor our Veterans! It is the month we observe Memorial Day! This year Memorial is May 29th. Memorial Day was originally called Decoration Day, a day of remembrance for those who have died in service to our great Nation. There are many stories of how this day had its beginnings but it all culminated when General Logan gave his official proclamation in 1868. Many of our members have served our country and many of us have friends, relatives etc. who have served or are still serving. Without these brave men & women we would not be able to enjoy all the freedoms we enjoy today. I thank all of our service members for the dedication and sacrifices they gave. So honor those who gave the ultimate sacrifice for us and DO NOT EVER FORGET!!

The month of May is also the month that the MRF hosts Bikers inside the Beltway. This is a day when motorcycle rights activists from around the country gather in Washington DC to meet with our Congressmen and Senators to discuss issues important to all of us who ride. Our Lobbyist Mike Infanzon will be attending. Unfortunately due to family issues I am not able to attend.

As many of you have heard, this year's Too Broke for Sturgis Fund Raiser was on the

very edge of being cancelled due to not having a venue. We were contacted by a gentleman who is the owner of Winslow Rodeo Grounds and a motorcyclist who has attended Too Broke in the past. He had heard of our predicament and said that he has an arena and approximately 20 acres and would like to work with us. He has plenty of area for dry camping and will build a stage etc, for our use.

I contacted the State Vice-President Paula who lives in Winslow and asked her to contact him and look over the property. She set up a meeting with him and went out and toured the grounds and took photos. The Mayor of Winslow who also had heard about the meeting also attended and spoke with Paula about the City's interest in the event.

After reviewing the information that Paula we decided that we needed to have a group go up and get a better look at the area. On March 22, 23 we set a meeting with Lonnie Gose and his wife Sharon along with both the Mayor of Winslow, Roberta Cano and the City Manager David Coolidge.

We had a very informative and productive meeting which included a tour of the property as well as a tour of the entire town and area. The Mayor informed us that the City is very interested in hosting our event and will work with our organization to make it happen. Do to the late date and all that will be involved in holding this event at a new location we have decide to push the date back to where it was traditional held in July. This year's event will be July 26 -30, with the 26 as a set up day and gate to open Thursday at noon and the event to close Sunday.

As this is a new venue and location there are several advantages and also some disad-

vantages. Nothing is perfect. It looks like we will be able to sell beer and liquor and make a profit from that which we never were able to do in the past. There are no cabins but there are many hotel/motels in the Winslow area for those who do not camp. There are not trees on that property so we are looking into large tents to provide a shaded area.

It is a great area for riding. The Rodeo grounds are less than 2 miles from the "Standing on the Corner" site. The city is located right on Old Route 66. The Historic Meteor Crater is about 27 miles to the west. The Painted Dessert is about 61 Miles to the east as is the Petrified Forest. The famous Wigwam Motel is 33 miles to the east in Holbrook, AZ. For those who look for a longer ride the Grand Canyon Visitors center is about 140 miles away.

The weather in Winslow for July averages highs in the low 90's and lows in the low to mid 60's. The area only averages 3 rainy days for the entire month of July. We are working with the Winslow Visitor Center and we will be providing more information in the future.

Our next step is to get to work! We need everybody to step up and help make this year's event work! We will need volunteers to help work the event and set-up. We need volunteers for every job! I would like to see every Chapter represented on the committee and volunteer list. If you want to help, contact me directly.

Until Next Month
RIDE FREE!!
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Legislative Update

BILLS STILL IN PROCESS

SCR1018 Prohibit tax; monitoring; vehicle mileage.

The 2024 general election ballot is to carry the question of whether to amend the state Constitution to prohibit the state, counties, municipalities, or other political subdivisions from imposing a tax or fee on any person based on vehicle miles traveled or imposing any rule or law to monitor or limit the vehicle miles traveled of a person in a motor vehicle.

03/15/2023 - DP - House Ways & Means

HB2063 Appropriation; State Routes; 238; 347

Makes a supplemental appropriation of \$13 million from the State Highway Fund in FY2022-23 to the Department of Transportation to distribute to the City of Maricopa to design and construct improvements to State Route 238 and/or State Route 347. Reduces the FY2022-23 appropriation from the State Highway Fund to the Department of Transportation for the design to widen lanes along State Route 347 between Interstate 10 and the City of Maricopa to \$6 million, from \$19 million.

Last Action: 04/04/2023 - DPA - Senate Appropriations

HB2288 Roundabouts; right-of-way; large vehicles

The operator of a vehicle or combination of vehicles with a total length of a least 40 feet or a total width of at least 10 feet may deviate from the lane in which the operator is driving to the extent necessary to approach and drive through a roundabout. Other vehicles are required to yield the right of way to these vehicles driving through a roundabout. The

Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) or local jurisdiction is required to post at least one of either a yield sign before a roundabout entrance or a regulatory sign designed by ADOT that conveys that large trucks have the right-of-way of that vehicles should yield to large trucks in a roundabout. AS PASSED HOUSE

Last Action: 04/13/2023 - Transmit to House

SB1097 Truck routes; designation

For ordinances or resolutions enacted on and after January 1, 2020, the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) or a local authority may only restrict or prohibit a "vehicle of legal size" (defined) from operating on a highway that is a "major arterial street" (defined) and that connects two or more local jurisdictions if ADOT or the local authority conducts a test drive or applies a vehicle template on the highway that shows that a vehicle of a legal size may not safely operate on the highway. A highway that does not have a "truck restriction" (defined) before being annexed by a local authority cannot be incorporated into an existing truck restriction that is passed on or after January 1, 2020 unless the highway meets the criteria in this legislation. A local authority that passed an ordinance on or after January 1, 2020 that is inconsistent with these provisions is required to repeal or amend the ordinance to comply with this act within 90 days after the effective date or the ordinance is invalid. AS PASSED SENATE

Last Action: 04/11/2023 - Signed

SB1234 Prohibition; photo radar

State agencies and local authorities are prohibited from using a photo enforcement system to identify violators of traffic control devices and speed regulations. Statutes authorizing and

regulating photo enforcement systems are repealed. Contains a legislative intent section.

Last Action: 04/04/2023 - DP - House Committee of the Whole

DID NOT RECEIVE COMMITTEE HEARING BY CHAMBER DEADLINE

HB2080 Emergency alert technology; vehicles; devices

Beginning January 1, 2025, all new motor vehicles and portable wireless communication devices sold in Arizona are required to contain "emergency alert technology" (defined).

Last Action: 02/09/2023 - Hearing Scheduled - 02/15/2023, 2:00 PM - House TI, HHR 3

HB2419 - Moving violations; injured pedestrians; penalties

Increases the penalty for causing serious physical injury or death by a moving traffic violation if the violation results in death to a pedestrian, motorcycle operator, or bicyclist to at least one year suspension of the person's driving privilege, instead of 180 days to one year, for a first violation, and to at least 18 months' suspension of the person's driving privilege, instead of one year, for a second violation. Increases the criminal classification for causing serious physical injury or death by a moving traffic violation if the violation results in serious physical injury to a pedestrian, motorcycle operator, or bicyclist, to a class 6 (lowest) felony, instead of a class 1 (highest) misdemeanor, subject to a fine of at least \$1,500 and at least 30 days of house arrest. Increases the criminal classification for causing serious physical injury or death by a moving traffic violation if the violation results in the death of a pedestrian, motorcycle operator, or bicyclist, to a class 5 (second-lowest) felony, instead of a class 1 (highest) misdemeanor, subject to a fine of at least \$5,000 and at least 180 days of house arrest.

Last Action: 02/01/2023 - HELD - House Transportation & Infrastructure

HB2707 - Motor fuel tax suspension

Suspends the Arizona motor vehicle fuel tax and use fuel taxes from November 1, 2023 through October 31, 2024.

Last Action: 02/09/2023 - Referred to Committee - Rules - House Rules

SB1122 Transportation tax; election; Maricopa county

If approved by the voters at a countywide election, a county with a population of 3 million or more persons (Maricopa) is required to levy a tax of up to ten percent of the transaction privilege tax rate as of January 1, 1990. The tax levied will be in effect for 15 years. Specifies the distribution of net revenues from the tax levy, with 80 percent of revenues distributed to the Regional Area Road Fund for freeways and other routes in the state highway system, and 20 percent of revenues distributed to the Regional Area Road Fund for major arterial streets.

Beginning January 1, 2026, a regional public transportation authority is established in a county with a population of 3 million or more persons that approves a county transportation excise tax.

02/13/2023 - FAILED - Senate Transportation and Technology

Chapter Reports

Coyote Pass

NO REPORT.

High Country

The High Country Chapter was invited to join the Mountain Motorcycle Association of Arizona for their Spring Cookout at Tall Timbers Park on April first in Heber. Three HCC members attended the Accident Scene Management Course at Arrowhead Hospital Last month. On Saturday, April 8th several members met to remove old graphics from the chapter trailer and access repair needs. Please note that our meetings will be held at Monica's Cafe at 11:00 AM on the third Saturday of each month until further notice.

Barry 'Double B' Bell

High Country Chapter - Coordinator

doubleBHCC@gmail.com

Mohave Chapter

Time again for another chapter report. Our last chapter meeting was March 20 th. and our coming meeting is April 17 th. On Saturday, April 22 nd. we will be doing our highway cleanup at 8:00 am followed by pizza at Great American Pizza in Golden Valley. The end of April we will be set up at Route 66 Bike Week and Tri State River Run, we will be set up to tell folks about ABATE, we will be working on the details at our monthly meeting on April 17 th.

That is all I have for now. Until next month stay safe and ride safe.

Tom Aydt

Mohave Chapter Coordinator

Phoenix/Shadow Mountain

NO REPORT.

East Valley Chapter

We have revised our meeting time to the 3rd Sunday of each month. Will continue to hold our meetings at American Legion Post 138's current location thru June. Still awaiting information on the month that their new location will open.

Southern Arizona Chapter

The Southern Arizona Chapter is holding our semiannual roadside cleanup and meeting in Whetstone this weekend. We've been working to build connections within the local community with new motorcycle-related businesses and trying to get the local PD and county motor officers to attend Cycle Gear bike night to discuss lane filtering and build connections with the riding community. Our next meeting is at 10 AM on Saturday, May 20th, at the Northwest Tucson Moose Lodge.

Will hold our chapter meeting on April 16th at Post 138. The guest speaker at our meeting will be Darla, from Arizona Free Enterprise Club. She will present information on the Arizona Request to Speak (RTS) system and why we all need to voice our concern about legislative issues that impact our lifestyles. Encourage all members to enroll in the system so that we can be aware of the issues. The Arizona Free Enterprise Club does a good job with call to actions that are sent out either by text message or email. It is important to be connected to the issues and actions that affect us.

Our May meeting will have a guest speaker/author, Stacey Goodman. Stacey is a former New York police officer who was on the scene at ground zero on 9/11. She will talk about her experiences and

about her book: "The Dust Never Settles". Met Stacey at one of our past membership booths. It is amazing the people we meet at our membership booths.

Working on creating a chapter history record. The East Valley chapter origins go back to at least 1987. Have been reviewing past issues of the Masterlink and noted the significant contributions of East Valley members to the ABATE organization. In addition to the ABATE site also found that there are past Masterlink issues before 2017 thru 2011 at this website: <https://issuu.com>. Search for ABATE. Masterlinks prior to 2011 are on paper and are stored at the ABATE office in Phoenix. Creating a record of the chapter's events (hard ass run, biker ball, bowling, spaghetti feed, Valentine's day party, ...etc), accomplishments, and officers will be informative to the current and future ABATE members. Goal is to include the document on the website and update at least once per year. If you have any other information on the East Valley chapter please forward.

We have chapter shirts in mens and womens sizes available. \$20 for short sleeve and \$25 for long sleeve. Working on a design for window decal (one that sticks on the inside and outside) and arm sleeves.

Continue to hold informal meetings with chapter officers at various establishments. These meetings are a great way to discuss chapter future events and goals outside of the meetings or just to talk about our daily events over a "cold beverage". All chapter members are welcomed and will post the next event via our email system.

We continue to support new membership opportunities and promote ABATE by setting up a membership booth at various bike events. We have been a regular participant at the Mesa Cycle Gear every 2nd Tuesday of each month. Our other event was at OKOS Anniversary party.

Maybe we don't get people signed up right away but at least we are getting the word out about ABATE. A big thanks to our membership for supporting our membership booth opportunities! At our most recent Cycle Gear event we met AZ Cruiser Academy. AZ Cruiser Academy's goal is in alignment with ABATE's mission statement to improve riders skills and "education". Once they understood ABATE's mission statement they signed up that day to be one of our new business members. Welcome AZ Cruiser Academy to ABATE of Arizona! Their next riding academy will be held on May 13th.

Have completed the motorcycle awareness program presentation to Mesa high schools for this semester. A big thanks to our membership and outside guests for their support. In addition to the MAP have also created a brief presentation on lane filtering to American Legion Rider groups. Those presentation help those to understand the law and it also serves as a forum to discuss lane filtering experiences. It is important to get the word out so that all riders (and car drivers) are aware. For more information on training, please contact MAP coordinator - Jim Silk (the MAP program is documented on www.abateofaz.us). The program is in support of ABATE's awareness mission statement and needs the support of all chapters!

In memoriam, Arron "Draco" Hendricks.

Yavapai Chapter

NO REPORT.

Yuma Chapter

NO REPORT.

Mike Riggin Eulogy

Mike Riggin passed away 3/25/2023. That's him posing with his thumb in his pocket. He passed from injuries from a motorcycle crash coming home from Bagdad after lunch. Mike was a Phoenix Chapter Charter and Life Member and Hassayampa Chapter Charter. He moved to Wickenburg and he and Leslie started the Hassayampa Chapter. A few of us from Phoenix Chapter joined and filled a couple offices. Monthly ride to Wickenburg was usually a good thing, except the ride home could be a little warm.

Mike was seasoned rider. He went though his Shovel a couple of times always keeping Penelope in the best of condition. (He later sold her and picked up a twin cam)

We shared many miles together. He rode to Ignacio a few times as I recall.

Storytime. I rode to Wickenburg to meet Mike for our annual ride to Too Broke. I pulled up and he was packed and ready and so was the Newbi. I noticed on the Newbi's bike a watermelon tied on. ??? I discreetly asked Mike WTF? He said he told new guy, the Newbi always brings a watermelon to Too Broke the first year for initiation. We left and it started to rain. Rained the whole way till we pulled in to the campground. Whenever we would stop, Newbi would be jumpin off his newly acquired machine cussin away. Next stop we finally asked him What's UP? Mike and I figured out (we could hear it snapin occasionaly) a spark jumpin

from the coil pack mounted under the tank to his wet thigh, when he put his feet down and touching the key, brake or clutch lever gave him a shock. I think Mike told him next stop. We went thru Oak Creek, dodging rocks and mudslides running across the road from the storm, still raging on. Pulled up to Pinion Pines to get under the overhang and the barmaid drove up and asked if we wanted some coffee...hell yeah! We went in helped put buckets under the dripping ceiling and BOOM, thunder and lightning...the power went out. Geez! Newbi learned about kickstands and soft mud on this trip also. He was packing pretty heavy already and with the watermelon tied on the rack.... When we rolled up to registration the Sun came out and we to

the Bar. Had a good laugh and Mike named Newbi.... WATERMELON BOY! We laughed about that for years.

Mike was well known to lot of folks in Wickenburg, from all walks of life. He would drive one of his vehicles, or tractor in the annual Wickenburg Parade, lights and all.

Mike was Biker, Father, Brother, Hot Rodder, Machinist, Bee Keeper, Mechanic and Mentor to anyone who needed help or asked a question.

That was Mike Riggin. R.I.P. my Brother



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CIRCLE THE DATE – 38TH NCOM CONVENTION IN ARIZONA
A “must-see” in the biker’s rights community, this year’s NCOM Convention is scheduled for Father’s Day weekend, June 16-18, 2023 at the Hilton Phoenix-Tempe, so don’t miss this opportunity to empathize with hundreds of fellow concerned riders coming together from across America for the “Betterment of Biking”!

Register online at www.ON-A-BIKE.com or by calling the National Coalition of Motorcyclists (NCOM) at (800) 525-5355, and be sure to reserve your hotel room now by calling (480) 967-1441, and mention NCOM for our Special Room Rate.

MSF CELEBRATING 50 YEARS OF TRAINING RIDERS
The Motorcycle Safety Foundation (MSF) will celebrate 50 years of providing rider education and training this year. To celebrate, the MSF Communications team has been collecting stories from a diverse group of people with a wide variety of motorcycling backgrounds: new riders, longtime riders, RiderCoaches, influencers, members of the media and families will all share

their stories on the MIC website. Throughout this anniversary year, the MSF will launch 50 stories on its www.msf-usa.org website under the NEWS tab. The goal each week is to inspire, entertain, and share the fun of riding that often results through top-quality rider education and training – the kind delivered by the MSF for half a century.

US & EU PUSH IMMINENT DEMISE OF FOSSIL FUEL VEHICLES
The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has proposed sweeping emissions cuts for new cars and trucks through 2032, a move it says could mean two out of every three new vehicles automakers sell will be electric within a decade.

The EPA proposal, if finalized, represents the most aggressive U.S. vehicle emissions reduction plan to date, with automakers forecast to produce 60% EVs by 2030 and 67% by 2032 to meet requirements - compared with just 5.8% of U.S. vehicles sold in 2022 that were EVs.

John Bozzella, CEO of the Alliance for Automotive Innovation representing General Motors, Volkswagen, Toyota and others, told Reuters that “factors outside the vehicle, like charging infrastructure, supply chains, grid resiliency,

the availability of low carbon fuels and critical minerals will determine whether EPA standards at these levels are achievable.”

EPA Administrator Michael Regan declined to endorse setting a date to end the sale of new gasoline-powered vehicles, and emphasized that the current proposal is a “performance-based standard” and not an EV mandate.

Taking an even stricter approach, abroad, the European Parliament has formally approved a law to effectively ban the sale of new petrol and diesel cars in the European Union from 2035, aiming to speed up the switch to electric vehicles and combat climate change.

The landmark rules will require that by 2035 carmakers must achieve a 100% cut in CO2 emissions from new cars sold, which would make it impossible to sell new fossil fuel-powered vehicles in the 27-country bloc.

Meanwhile, back in the states, U.S. Representative John Joyce (R-PA) along with more than sixty cosponsors has introduced House Resolution 1435 “To amend the Clean Air Act to prevent the elimination of the sale of internal combustion engines.”

Titled the “Preserving Choice in Vehicle Purchases Act,” H.R. 1435 is designed

to protect Americans’ right to choose the technology that powers their motor vehicles.

CALIFORNIA BILL WOULD LIFT BANS ON CRUISING
Assemblyman David Alvarez (D-San Diego) has introduced Assembly Bill 436 to repeal the ban on cruising statewide and prohibit local authorities from stopping drivers from cruising and driving cars that have been modified to be of a certain height.

Cruising became popularized nationally after the release of breakout film “American Graffiti” in 1973, a coming of age comedy-drama set in 1960s Modesto, but cities across California (and elsewhere) began to enact bans on cruising in automobiles [and motorcycles] starting in the 1970s during the oil embargo. In 1982, the California Legislature authorized cities to pass ordinances prohibiting cruising, declaring “the cruising of vehicles in business areas of cities and communities in this state for the purpose of socializing and assembling interferes with the conduct of business, wasted precious energy, resources, impedes the progress of general traffic and emergency vehicles, and promotes the generation of local concentrations of air pollution and undesirable noise levels.”

AB 436 would remove the authorization

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

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

Motorcycle Awareness Program (MAP)

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

ABATE accomplishments:

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

DUI offenders

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

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for a local authority to adopt rules and regulations regarding cruising. This current effort follows a resolution unanimously approved by the State Legislature last year (ACR 176) encouraging cities to repeal their bans and recognizes that cruising holds cultural significance for many communities.

LANE SPLITTING BILL FILTERS THROUGH OREGON LEGISLATURE
Beaver State lawmakers are taking another crack at letting motorcyclists travel between lanes in slow or stopped traffic, two years after then-Gov. Kate Brown unexpectedly vetoed a similar bill. Senate Bill 422 recently passed the Senate with strong bipartisan support by a 27-2 vote. It now heads to the House, where representatives in both parties have signed on as sponsors.

If passed, motorcyclists would be able to travel between lanes on multi-lane highways with a speed limit of at least 50 mph, but only when traffic has slowed to 10 mph or less. Motorcyclists riding between cars could travel no more than 10 mph faster than the flow of traffic.

Motorcyclists argue the policy can improve traffic congestion and leaves them less vulnerable to being rear-ended by inattentive drivers.

If the bill makes it through the Senate and receives gubernatorial approval, Oregon would join four other western states in endorsing some form of the practice, which is known as lane splitting, lane sharing or lane filtering, depending on the exact details of the behavior allowed.

California currently allows lane splitting under different circumstances than Oregon's proposed law, as does Montana. Utah allows a similar concept called "filtering" when traffic is stopped at an intersection. A policy in Arizona took effect in September.

Neighboring Washington does not allow the practice, though is currently considering such legislation (HB 1063). One frequently cited study from the University of California Berkeley concluded that lane splitting can be safe under certain conditions.

HAWAII CONSIDERS 'RIDE ON RED' LEGISLATION

A new bill in the Aloha State could allow riders to go on red lights during certain hours, as House Bill 1319 aims to solve the problem of motorcyclists being stranded at red lights that don't detect their presence.

"If you don't have enough metal, sometimes you won't be detected because the loops work on electromagnetic fields which is broken by metal," according to Hawaii Department of Transportation engineering program manager Bryan Kimura.

HB 1319 "Allows operators of bicycles, motorcycles, and mopeds to proceed through an intersection on a steady red signal during certain hours (11 p.m.-5 a.m.) if the traffic signal is controlled by a vehicle detection device that is inoperative due to the size or composition of the bicycle, motorcycle, or moped."

Hawaii already allows "shoulder surfing" for motorcyclists, which is considered an alternative to lane splitting on their narrower roads.

Over 20 states have enacted "dead red" or "ride on red" laws that give motorcyclists and bicyclists an affirmative defense to proceed through a red light with caution after stopping when they are not detected by the traffic light controller, though each state is different and has its own unique rules about the time period.

PLUG YOUR EARS

Tinnitus UK is urging motorcycle riders to use ear protection in the name of permanent hearing loss – as much as 80 decibels will cause trouble, despite health officials recommending that "anything over 85dB an employer should provide ear protectors."

According to Motorcycle Cruiser, bikes average around 85 decibels of sound at 35-45mph, with a 30-bike pilot test completed by the University of Florida showing far higher levels at highway speeds, noting; "Measurements of motorcycle riding noise levels vary, but are generally around 85-95 dB at speeds up to 35 mph, climbing to 110-116 dB

at 65 mph."

120 dB is the equivalent of a rock concert, and you shouldn't be exposed to it for more than 7.5 minutes before possible hearing loss can occur, so plug your ears and hear longer.

FACIAL RECOGNITION COMING TO MOTORCYCLES

With AI in the mainstream news lately, and new technologies integrating into our daily lives, it should come as no surprise that BMW is now the first motorcycle manufacturer in the world to incorporate facial recognition software that makes the traditional ignition key superfluous.

Billed as anti-theft technology, BMW's iFace system utilizes infrared to map the rider's facial features, builds a virtual model of the user's face in three dimensions, and should someone else attempt to steal your BMW, iFace will send a distress message to eCall electronic emergency service and BMW Motorrad Call Centre.

Further, to help identify the thief, the scan data is sent to a central international database of criminals for identification. We don't recommend you use this feature if you have any outstanding warrants.

The system is set to be unveiled to the public at an autumn 2023 motorcycle show, and it'll only be available on BMW's Boxer-engined bikes.

POLICE DRONES ZERO IN ON MOTORCYCLE ROAD SAFETY

New police drones are being trialed in the U.K. to try and reduce road accidents, with a particular focus put on motorcyclists. The RAC reports that the drones will be able to be used to track a vehicle's speed, and record any incidents. Video captured from the drone can then be used against offending road users. Additionally, the drones are reportedly able to check the insurance, MOT, and road tax status of a car or motorcycle, and even track stolen vehicles.

Recording of a vehicle can be done by a drone up to four miles away, and the project is a part of the Police's "Vision

Zero" initiative, which aims to improve road safety by totally eradicate injuries and deaths from road traffic collisions and crashes.

It seems that there is a particular focus on motorcyclists, as Inspector Colin Harper from the drone team described the use of the drones as "innovative" and added: "At present, our focus is on motorcyclists, who are at highest-risk according to our data, particularly at this time of year when more riders will be venturing out again after the winter."

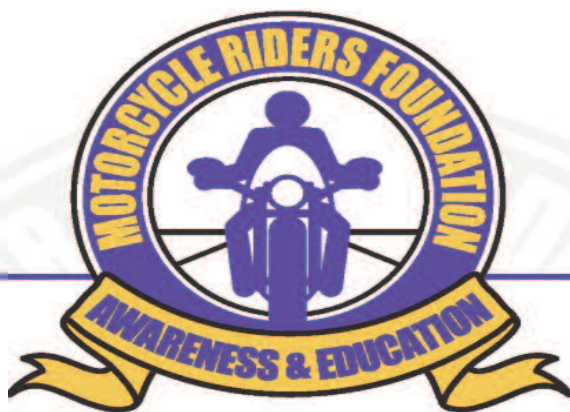
SUSTAINABLE SAFETY: BAMBOO HELMETS

Just as pillowcases have gone from cotton to bamboo, the helmet industry is following suit with bamboo helmet shells produced by French motorcycle helmet brand Roof.

Coverage from RideApart.com states that each helmet comes with a clear protective coating over the bamboo fibers, and that "Roof claims that the Bamboo helmet is just as safe as a standard polycarbonate shell," adding; "The bamboo shell has been engineered to be flexible, resistant, and lightweight. Of course, the helmets have undergone independent testing, and are certified under the latest ECE 22.06 standard."

Expect it to arrive in a recycled bag, retailing for €349 EUR (that translates to around \$382 USD), with the promise to make you the highlight at the next rally.

QUOTABLE QUOTE: "We're surrounded. That simplifies things."
~ USMC Col. Lewis B. "Chesty" Puller during the Chosin Reservoir campaign in Korea, 1950



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Coyote Pass Chapter

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

High Country Chapter

Until further notice, HCC meetings will be held immediately following the MMAA meetings (10:00am) the 3rd Saturday of each month. Meeting location is Monica's Cafe, 1100 West Hall St, Show Low, AZ 85901

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

Phoenix / Shadow Mountain Chapter

Phoenix/Shadow Mountain meetings are held on the 2nd Sunday of each month at 10:30am at the AZ Fraternal Order of Eagles 7575 N 67th Ave. Breakfast 9am to 11:00 FMI: Chapter Coordinator Scot Williamson One T 623-313-8663 text only

Southern Arizona Chapter

The Southern Arizona Chapter will meet the third Saturday of the month. We will gather at the Northwest Tucson Moose Lodge, 2660 W. Ruthrauff Rd., Tucson, AZ. Meeting time is 10AM

East Valley Chapter

The East Valley chapter meets at 10:00 AM on the 3rd Sunday of every month at the American Legion Post 138(107 E Broadway Rd, Tempe, AZ 85282, SE Corner area of Broadway and Mill). Post 138 opens around 9a.m. and serve a great inexpensive buffet breakfast before and after our meeting. Come and hang out before or after the meeting! Riders of all types of bikes, non-riders, and non-members are always welcomed to attend!

Yuma Chapter

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

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.

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Obit for chapter member Ricki Kean

Ricki Kean was a member of Mohave Chapter ABATE of Arizona since 2019. She was also a Women In The Wind Cactus Cuties member. She had a heart bigger she was and loved and helped everyone she could. Ricki passed away March 25, 2023. Below is an article for the Women In The Wind newsletter. I was given permission to use it for our

MasterLink.

Until we meet again Rickie Kean/Peacemaker.

Rickie Kean our WITW Cactus Cuties Chapter member went to heaven on March 25, 2023, Rickie was an amazing impressive person. She was

one of the first women to become a cave certified diver where as she traveled the world cave diving. She was a highly trained registered Veterinarian Technician and a former Veterinary Assistant Instructor at Pima Medical Institute. Rickie started riding a motorcycle at 18 years old. Peacemaker We will think about you

always, you will never be forgotten, we will hold you close in our hearts. And there you will remain to ride and walk us though our lives. We will treasure the memories of every moment we shared as windsisters. I'll miss you until we meet again.
Christine Allen



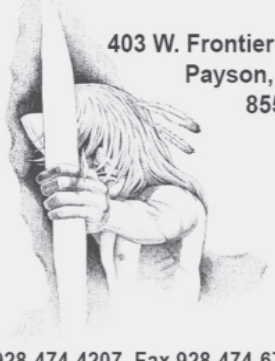
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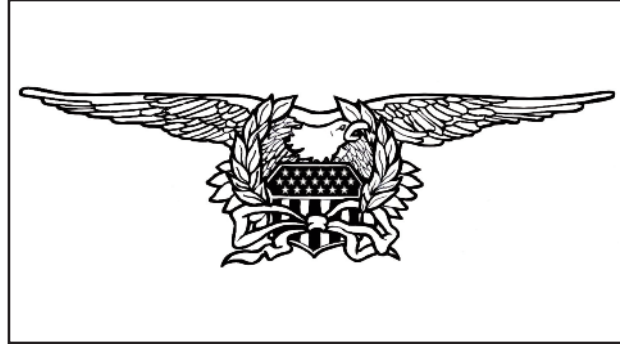
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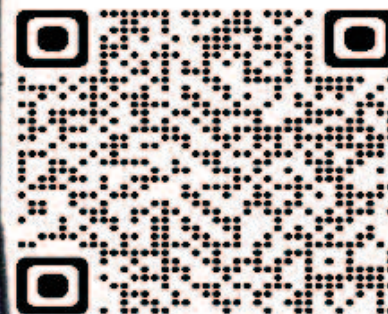
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Saturdays Apr-Sep'23 { 4/1, 4/15, 5/13, 5/27, 6/17, 7/15, 8/19, 9/2, 9/16 }: Bitchin' Stitchin' at Superstition HD - 2910 W Apache Trail, Apache Junction, AZ. 85120 from 10a-1pm FMI: 480-346-0600

Sundays { 4/16, 4/30 }: Superstition HOG Chapter Ride starts at Superstition HD - 2910 W Apache Trail, Apache Junction, AZ. 85120. Come ride with our HOG Members. Meet 7:30a, Kickstands up at 8a. FMI: 480-346-0600

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

3rd Sundays: ABATE-AZ East Valley Chapter meeting ~ 10a at American Legion Post 138, 107 E Broadway Rd, Tempe. {B'fast available 9am} FMI: Joe Silk 480-628-8598, miterangers@msn.com

Wednesdays Superstition HOG Chapter Ride. Superstition HD - 2910 W Apache Trail, Apache Junction 85120. Ride with our HOG Members. Meet 7:30a, Kickstands up at 8a. FMI: SHD-HOG hotline 480-346-0626, main

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5/6 {Sat} Int'l Female Riders Day {IFRD} ride to Superior AZ. Meet 9am at Superstition Harley Davidson, 2910 W. Apache Trail; Apache Junction. FMI: 480-346-0600



B.O.D. 2023 Calendar

A.B.A.T.E. of Arizona, Inc. ~ 2023 BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETINGS

B.O.D. meetings will be held at 1:00PM on the below dates at the A.B.A.T.E. Phoenix office located upstairs in the AZ American Italian Club at 7509 N. 12th Street, Phoenix, AZ 85020. Meeting attendance is also available on ZOOM. Member attendance is encouraged. Contact "secretary@abateofaz.org" for on-line meeting address and password info.

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

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Too Broke for Sturgis is On!

As most of you have heard or Annual Too Broke for Sturgis event has been in a state of Limbo. Mormon Lake Lodge was sold, and the new owners have not returned phone calls or emails and we have learned that we are not the only event that has been treated way. We were on the verge of cancelling Too Broke.

Luckily, we have found what looks to be a great location for this year's event! But

because of the late date we have pushed the date back in order to get everything done in time. With the new date and new location, we will really need as many people as possible to step up and volunteer for this event. We need folks for our committee to help with the many jobs that an event of this size requires. we will also need many volunteers to work the days of the event.

So here are the details as simple as I can make it.

DATES FOR THE EVENT - JULY 27 - 30, 2023. July 26th will be set up day!

LOCATION - WINSLOW RODEO GROUNDS - 500 AIRPORT ROAD, WINSLOW ARIZONA!

Please share this information with all of

your members. Please convey our need of committee members and volunteers. Please ask anyone who is interested in being on the committee to contact me.

More information will be forthcoming when available.

Ride Free!!

Jim

Member Spotlight

JEREMY KRAUSS

• Where did you grow up?
My dad was in the Navy, so I didn't really grow up in a single place. We lived in New Mexico, Florida, Texas, Oklahoma, California, and North Carolina. We finally settled down in Tucson back in 2002 after he retired

• When did you move to AZ?

My parents moved to Tucson in 2002, while I was in the 8th grade. I was determined to move out of the state as soon as I could, but after I enlisted in the Arizona Army National Guard and spent time in Georgia and Virginia, I realized how much I preferred Arizona.

• What got you into riding?
My dad used to have a Motoguzzi 1000, but this was farther back than I can remember. There's some pictures in old photo albums with him on a motorcycle, but I was only an infant in the few images I'm in. He used to tell us stories about riding cross-country through swarms of locusts that he was picking out of the radiator for months afterwards or about splitting between oncoming traffic along the coast of California.

• When did you start riding?
I took the Basic RiderCourse with TEAM Arizona on February 22-23, 2014. I'd been pouring money into a 2002 Z/28 Camaro that I'd bought sight unseen while I was deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom, and it was going nowhere. The old Dodge Stratus

my dad had sold me wasn't running due to some computer issue, so I was looking at reliable, budget-friendly ways to get to and from work.

• What was your first bike?

The week after I finished the course, I bought a 2002 Honda Shadow 750 ACE with over 84k miles on it for \$1600 and started commuting about 13 miles to and from work on it every day. Luckily, I worked an overnight shift, so there was very little traffic on the road.

• What do you currently ride?

My daily rider is a 2018 Kawasaki Versys 1000 LT, with various modifications for long distance and visibility during the daily commute. I installed cruise control, auxiliary lighting, heated grips, windshield, and numerous farkles. I've put about 70k miles on it at the end of August 2019, riding to and from work and across the country to the last few Motorcycle Riders Foundation Meetings of the Minds, completing my SaddleSore 1000 and Bun Burner 1500 on the most recent trip. I also purchased a 1976 Honda CB550K which I plan to ride in the Distinguished Gentleman's Ride to raise awareness for prostate cancer and men's mental health at the end of May.

• Which A.B.A.T.E. Chapter are you with?

I'm with the Southern Arizona Chapter

• If you're an A.B.A.T.E. officer,

which position(s) do you hold/have you held?

I'm currently the coordinator for my chapter. Prior to this, I served as the vice coordinator.

• What is your favorite ride (US) also in AZ?

My favorite ride is the 191 from Three-Way (south of Clifton) up to the Four Corners area. On the southern end, there's winding mountain roads with breathtaking views; but as you cross the Navajo Nation, you can find yourself completely alone on an empty road that stretches out to the horizon both ahead and behind you, with no evidence of civilization other than your motorcycle and the pavement. It's almost a spiritual experience to realize how small and insignificant you are in the universe.

• What do you enjoy most about riding?

The best part of riding a motorcycle is how immersive it is. You are truly connected to your environment in a way that you can't normally experience at a speed above walking or running. You feel the heat of the sun and the chill of the rain, and you feel like you're physically moving yourself through the world around you, instead of watching it pass by outside the window.

• Do your family members ride?

My dad used to ride, years ago, but sold

his bike shortly after I was born. My brother had a 2014 Harley Davidson Night Rod Special that he bought when he came back from a combat tour in Afghanistan as a Marine Infantryman, but he sold it a few years ago because he wasn't really riding it. My wife rode as a passenger on my Shadow a few times, and I convinced her to take the Basic RiderCourse and bought her a 1981 Honda CB400T Hawk for her first bike. She's currently riding a CB500X on the occasional ride around town or when she goes on a long-distance adventure with me.

• What do you do for fun when you are not riding?

I'm currently 15 years into my career with the Arizona Army National Guard, and that ties up most of my free time outside of motorcycling. I've been a culinary specialist for my entire enlistment because of my passion for cooking—and eating—delicious food, and I occasionally go hiking or camping to get away from the crowds. I also have my technician class amateur radio license (K1BWE). When I retire from military service, I'd like to become a motorcycle instructor.

• Anything else you want to share...

You can find me on social media under the username "Bweizr"



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Obit for chapter member Vincent “Crank” Adkins Sr.

It is with great sadness that we must announce Vincent Adkins Senior aka (Crank) passed away on March 27th 2023. Vincent was the One-Year Trustee

at the Northwest Tucson Moose Lodge and also Past President of the Northwest Moose Riders. He was also a member of A.B.A.T.E of Arizona, Southern Arizona

Chapter.

There will be a Last Ride for Vincent on April 30th 2023 meeting up at the

Marana mortuary on Bennett Road KSU 11:00am, with a ride to Gates Pass and to the Northwest Moose Lodge at 12:30 for services



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Club Membership Spotlight Article Old Koots on Scoots (OKOS)

Old Koots on Scoots (OKOS) was founded in 2017 when a group of riding friends stopped for a Guinness in a local establishment. OKOS continues to be a group of male and female riders that enjoy spending time riding and supporting the community through many charity events. Since OKOS was founded,

they have participated in many community events. Most recently, they helped organize the first AZ Pawn Stars Poker Run benefiting the Hundley Foundation. This run had more than 300 motorcyclists participate and raised more than 20k locally for the Foundation.

As OKOS is active in the motorcycle community, it only makes sense that they see the importance and advocate for the rights of motorcyclists. OKOS is a member of ABATE and the MRF that work with the legislature on the state and federal levels to make sure motorcyclists have safe riding conditions and

are included in the conversations that affect riders. OKOS supports ABATE's mission and has participated in the annual Too Broke for Sturgis and Day at the Dome events.



MOTORCYCLE HAND SIGNALS

 LEFT TURN Arm and hand extended left, palm facing down	 RIGHT TURN Arm out bent at 90° angle up with fist clenched	 STOP Arm out bent at 90° angle down with palm facing back
 SLOW DOWN Arm extended straight out with palm facing down while swinging arm down	 SPEED UP Arm extended straight out with palm facing up while swinging arm upward	 HAZARD IN ROAD On left point with left hand On right point with right foot
 FOLLOW ME Arm extended straight up with palm facing forward	 COME AROUND/TAKE THE LEAD Arm extended index finger pointing out while swinging arc from back to front	 PULL OFF Arm extended index finger pointing out while swinging arc from left to over head
 SINGLE FILE Arm straight up with index finger pointed up	 DOUBLE FILE Arm straight up with index finger and middle finger up	 RIDE STAGGERED Arm straight up with index finger and pinky up
 FUEL STOP Point to fuel tank	 COMFORT STOP Arm extended with clenched fist with short up and down motion	 REFRESHMENT STOP Fingers closed with thumb to mouth
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New Business Member Spotlight – AZ Cruiser Academy

AZ Cruiser Academy’s mission was borne by two Arizona couple’s (Jym & Tracy and Adam & Hillary) passion about motorcycles and their awareness of Arizona’s riding community’s safety. Their passion is also reinforced by their memories of each of their own personal learning to ride journeys and how each of them fell in love with the freedom that comes with riding. As their riding friendship grew, so did their desire to give something back to the motorcycling community that has given them so much.

From their passions, they built the Arizona (AZ) Cruiser Academy.

They acknowledge that they are not the experts and don’t know it all – far from it, but they do know how to bring people together and partner with the best coaches and organizations in the motorcycling community to provide the best learning and coaching experience for those motorcycle riders who are yearning how to be the best riders in Arizona. AZ Cruiser Academy became an ABATE business

members because they embrace and recognize ABATE mission statement of education and awareness.

Support of AZ Cruiser Academy is in alignment with ABATE’s mission statement of educating Arizona’s motorcyclists to be the best operators they can be. Please support our business members premier riding experience event on May 13th www.azcruiseracademy.com ABATE members receive a discount – see your chapter coordinator for the discount

code.

Thanks,

Joe Silk

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ABATE of Arizona, East Valley Chapter Coordinator, Membership Officer, and Communications Officer

Legislative Bill Summary (continued)

SB1245 VLT; cities and towns; counties

Counties and municipalities are required to use vehicle license tax monies for purposes related to transportation.

02/13/2023 - FAILED - Senate Transportation and Technology

SB1312 - Vehicle mileage; tracking; tax; prohibitions

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Last Action: 04/05/2023 - RET ON CAL - House Committee of the Whole

SB1412 - Motorcycle lane splitting repeal

The operator of a motorcycle is no longer allowed to overtake and pass another vehicle that is stopped in the same direction of travel and in the same lane as the operator and is no longer allowed to operate the motorcycle between lanes of traffic in specified conditions.

Last Action: 02/09/2023 - Hearing Scheduled - 02/09/2023 - Second Reading, Floor

SB1697 Highways; bicycle paths; walkways; prohibition

The Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) is prohibited from accepting federal monies to pay for the construction, maintenance or expansion of a highway or state route if the acceptance of the federal monies is conditioned on the design and construction of a bicycle path or pedestrian walkway as a component of the highway or state route. ADOT cannot plan, design or construct bicycle paths or pedestrian walkways that are parallel to and separate from a highway or state route. Applies to a highway or state route that exists

before, on or after the effective date of this legislation.

03/01/2023 - FAILED - Senate Third Reading

DISCUSSION ONLY

SB1393 Off-highway vehicle user fees

Establishes the Off-Highway Vehicle Law Enforcement Safety Fund (OHVLES Fund), to be administered by the State Treasurer and distributed in specified percentages to each of the county sheriff's offices. Of the user fees collected from off-highway vehicle use indicia, 30 percent must be deposited in the OHVLES Fund, instead of in the Arizona Highway User Revenue Fund.

VETOED BILLS

SB1535 Transportation; 2023-2024.

By July 31 of each year, the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) would have been required to report to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee (JLBC) on the progress in improving motor vehicle division wait times and vehicle registration renewal by mail turnaround times. By February 1 of each year,

ADOT would have been required to report to JLBC staff how ADOT spent ADOT's dedicated portion of an authorized third party electronic service partner's fee retention on an information technology system in the prior fiscal year. By August 1 of each year, ADOT would have been required to report to the JLBC Director ADOT's share of fees retained in the prior fiscal year by an authorized third party electronic service partner that has an authorized service website for ADOT. Monies from the State Highway Fund would have been prohibited from being spent on projects that reduced the capacity for motor vehicle travel. AS VETOED BY GOVERNOR. In her veto message, the Governor called this a "purely-partisan budget" and expressed her hope that elected officials will remain open to bipartisan solutions for Arizona.

02/16/2023 – Vetoed

In her veto message, the Governor called this a "purely-partisan budget" and expressed her hope that elected officials will remain open to bipartisan solutions for Arizona.



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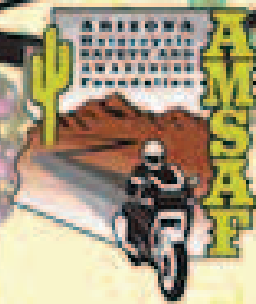
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Young Activist Nomination Request



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

Candidate Criteria:

- 1) Nominated candidate must be between the ages of 18 and 30 with a valid Motorcycle Endorsement on their Driver's License. 31st Birthday must fall after **Meeting Of The Minds** for that year.
- 2) Candidate must be a member in good standing of a State Motorcyclists' Rights Organization (SMRO). Length of membership required in SMRO to be determined by its members if candidate is qualified.
- 3) Candidate must be nominated by their SMRO. Nominations will be accepted from either state or local (District/Chapter/Local) SMRO groups and must be submitted on an MRF approved application form.
- 4) Nomination must be submitted between October 1st and July 15th and postmarked no later than July 1st of the year for which the application is submitted.
- 5) The Candidate must also submit a minimum three hundred (300)-word essay on why biker's rights are important to them. A well written essay from the heart is like a picture or blueprint of who the candidate is; coming directly from the candidate, this gives the MRFA&E Board of Directors a better perspective of the individual. Winning candidates will be announced via an MRF E-mail News Release on or about August 15th. All candidates will be notified with a letter of thanks and encouragement to re-submit their candidacy for the next year if they are not the selected winner.

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
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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
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LACONIA 100TH COMING UP--

It's hard to believe we're less than 2 months away from the 100th Laconia Motorcycle Week!

The celebration of the century starts June 10th and we'd hate for you to be left out because you waited until the last minute to make your lodging reservations. Although rooms in the Lakes Region are becoming hard to find, we're hearing you can still find availability just minutes away.

We urge you to visit the lodging page on our website to find that perfect hotel, motel, condo or campground to accommodate you and your riding companions.

If you can't stay right here in Laconia, not to worry. Part of the fun of being at Motorcycle Week is getting here. Consider staying in the neighboring Dartmouth/Sunapee, Monadnock, White Mountains, Seacoast or Great North Woods regions and taking in the many covered bridges, mountains and scenic vistas on your commute to Laconia! Visit website to find out more.

WISCONSIN ANTI-BAN LEGISLATION--

On April 13th, the Wisconsin State Assembly Committee on State Affairs voted to pass AB141 and AB142 out of committee and on to the floor for a full Assembly vote to be scheduled. These bills would prevent any state government,

local government, or agency, from banning the sale or use of combustion engine vehicles or devices.

ABATE of Wisconsin presented this proposed legislature during our annual Lobby Day in March of this year. Although this is a big win for protecting motorcycling as we know it, the vote was not unanimous as we did not have support from the Democrats on the Committee. Protecting combustion engine vehicles as well as ATV's, snowmobiles, small engines, and farming machinery is very important to us until technology advances enough to give a consumer confidence that an alternative fuel driven device will satisfy what they need the device for.

ABATE will continue to work with both sides of the aisle to ensure that a consumer in Wisconsin will not lose their right to purchase a device with an energy

source that they do not feel will function as needed, because of regulations created in the State.

Please help us protect our combustion engine motorcycles by using this link to let your legislators know that this legislation is important to you as a constituent. The letter is drafted, all you need to do is add your name and address and a letter will be sent on your behalf.

Thank you

--Steve Panten

ABATE of Wisconsin – Legislative Committee Chair



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