

A.B.A.T.E. of Arizona

Southern Arizona Chapter Monthly Meeting Minutes



Meeting Date: April 20, 2024

Site: Northwest Tucson Moose Lodge
Site Address: 2660 W Ruthrauff Rd., Tucson, AZ 85705

Presiding Officer: Jeremy Krauss

Officers Attending:

Coordinator: Jeremy Krauss	Present
Vice-Coordinator: Anissa “Dragonfly” Huntington	Present
Secretary: Monica Byrne	Not Present
Treasurer: Monica Byrne	Not Present
Membership: Jim Butsback	Present
Sgt at Arms: Rob Rogers	Present
Safety: Darron Huntington	Present
P.A.C.: William Cleveland	Present
Runs/Events: Open Officer	Not Present
Communication: Judi Miller	Present
Merchandise: Vacant	Not Present
B.O.D. Rep: Anissa “Dragonfly” Huntington	Present

Meeting Call to Order @ 10:00 am

Followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

Reading of the Mission Statement: We are a political organization. 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. Read by Anissa Huntington

Reading of the Minutes by Secretary:

Motion made by Darron Huntington and seconded Judi Miller to waive reading and accept as presented was approved.

Coordinator's Comments: I have lane filtering is legal stickers & am selling those instead giving those away. If you take any stickers & sell them make sure you keep track of what you sell, as we will be paying sales tax on this.

Vice-Coordinator's Comments: I went to the Motorcycle Day at the Dome met some congressmen & that was great experience.

Treasurer's Report:

There is \$ 5,114.01 Combined In-Chapter and Held by the State. There were \$ 422.19 in expenses last month and the chapter raised \$ 0 from 50/50. Motion was made by Lou Vanden Plas and seconded by Jim Butsback to accept the report, which was approved.

Safety: Pay attention to your surroundings & make sure you have gas & tire pressure checked.

Membership Report: 78 Active Members, 192 Inactive Members, if all were ACTIVE we would have 270.

Merchandise: Need to get someone to do the Merchandise.

P.A.C.: Our PAC officer has resigned. We will be looking for a New PAC Officer. SB1376 awaiting final reading in the senate & will be sent to Governor for signature.

Runs/Events:

April 27th, 2024 Share the Road & Riding for the Long Haul Fundraiser at Marriott Phoenix Chandler 1600 South Price Rd. Chandler, AZ 85286 from 5:30pm to 9:30pm. For more information on Sponsorship or Tickets go to: www.AMSAF/org/RFTLH Table Sponsor (table 8) \$1,500 Individual Tickets \$150. Door Prizes, Live & Silent Auctions, & Mega Raffles.

May 11th, 2024 Wolves MC 15th Annual Howling for the Hounds Benefitting the Humane Society of Southern Arizona at Hydraulic Repair & Supply 119 W Alturas St., Tucson, AZ 85705 from 11am-4pm. Live Music, 50/50 Raffle, Live Auction, Food & Drinks. \$20 entry Free T-shirt for every 100 patrons. Win a Pitboss Blue Tooth Smoker

May 18th, 2024 Annual Chapter Fundraiser Fisher House Run, Northwest Tucson Moose Lodge 2660 W Ruthrauff Rd., Tucson, AZ 85705. \$10.00 a person. Vendors, 50/50, Raffle Prizes. Registration starts at 11:00am, kickstands up at 12:00pm.

May 19th, 2024 Arizona's Largest Motorcycle Swap Meet, at Pinal County Fairgrounds 512 North 11 Mile Comer Rd., 8am-1:30pm Admission \$5.00 Motorcycles new & vintage parts.

May 20th & 21st, 2024 MRF - 15th Annual Michael "BOZ" Kerr Bikers Inside the Beltway The 15th Annual Michael "Boz" Kerr Bikers Inside the Beltway is the ONLY National Motorcycle Lobby Day held in our nation's capital. Motorcyclists from around the country ride to Washington D.C., to help educate Members of Congress regarding the issues facing motorcyclists today. This event will be held Monday, May 20th and Tuesday, May 21st, 2024.

All online registration and attendance confirmation need to be completed by May 15, 2024.
MAKE YOUR CONGRESSONAL APPOINTMENTS NOW! ALL ROOMS NEED TO BE BOOKED BY APRIL 22, 2024. ROOMS ARE LIMITED

SCHEDULE Monday, May 20th

MRF Board Meeting @ Embassy Suites - start 8am Lobbying Prep. Session @ Embassy Suites 6-8 pm

Tuesday, May 21st Lobby Day @ Congressional Offices (KSU: TBD) Post Debrief Session @ Embassy Suites 6-8pm

HOTEL EMBASSY SUITES 1900 Diagonal Rd Alexandria, VA 22314 703-684-5900

Reservation Code: MRF

\$260 Base Rate Rooms Are Limited!

REGISTER FOR BIKERS INSIDE THE BELTWAY 2024:

<https://motorcycleridersfoundation.wildapricot.org/...>

JOIN THE MRF TODAY!

<https://mrf.org/join-the-mrf/>

June 20th – 23rd, 2024 ABATE 33RD ANNUAL MOTORCYCLE RALLY “TOO BROKE FOR STURGIS” in Winslow, AZ. Live Bands, Bike & People Games, Vendors, Poker Run, Poker Walk, Native American Bike Blessing after Bike Show, Beard & Tattoo contests & more. Tent & RV Camping available (Dry Camping) \$40 weekend includes tent camping, \$35 (ABATE Members), \$30 add-on for RV Camping, \$25 Day pass (Saturday only), \$15 for a night pass to see band.

Communications: Too Broke is coming up & I will be putting it up on the website. Need volunteers.

Board: At the board meeting we have couple things, we had some board member step down before they were removed, we have these bumper stickers that were made without approval from State & Jim is not very happy about that. There were about 5,000 made, cost the state \$2400.00. They were the wrong color & they didn't get permission. What I was going to do is sell some of these for \$1.00 ea. Since ABATE of Arizona is an Entity, we have not paid sales tax, we were able to get a Tax attorney to handle everything. Our status as a nonprofit has been suspended, we are 501c4 not a 501c3, so we have to pay sales taxes. Going forward we will have to write off the sales tax paid & sales tax received so it will be a wash on our taxes. We have to keep records of all sales tax made going forward. Thankfully Monica has all records going back 4 yrs. from Dawn. State has lost their State PAC officer, State Sargeant of Arms & Merchandise. If anyone is interested at least 2 are needed to step up, as 1 has been filled& Anissa is now the State PAC officer.

Old Business:

Fisher House Run May 18th, 2024, We have following secured: starting here at the Moose Lodge, 1st stop Thunder Mountain Moose, 2nd stop Cycle Gear, 3rd stop V-Twin Collectives, the one we do not have secured is the American Legion #109, if anyone has contact information for them Darron would really appreciate on how to getting in touch with them. William will try to get the information to Darron or try to get a hold of Gator. V-Twin wants us to put a table inside, Cycle Gear not sure what Jeremy has set up with them whether table inside or outside, here we will have our will be table outside, Thunder Mountain pretty sure we will have table out back. We will only have 2 stops that will have alcohol & 2 with not. We want them to come inside at the Moose & hopefully have some breakfast or couple of drinks, but we are supporting drinking & riding. William has a vendor El Taco the original El Taco coming she can handle everyone & has really good food. Any other vendors please contact Darron or Anissa to talk with them & we will get them set-up out there. Once Darron gets American Legion #109 secured he will get them set-up there. If you have raffle prizes, please get them to Monica between today & the event. Anissa has some that were donated raffle prizes & giving those to Monica today. At this point you will have to bring those to the event or arrange to meet up with Monica beforehand. Flyers have been posted on Facebook, please share those as much as you can every week. If you want be an any stop let Darron know & we will have water at every stop.

Chapter Raffle Fundraiser, Anissa has spoken to the person that has the cabin in Pinetop, it is a \$150.00 a night for us, it usually goes for \$260.00 a night, so we are getting a killer discount. She needs to know as soon as possible & get a reservation set up. 1st choice is April 25-27, 2nd choice May 2-4, 3rd choice May 16-18. There will one ticket with the 3 prizes to win. When we have the drawing it will go as follows: 1st drawing for the trip, 2nd drawing is for the gun/rifle, & 3rd drawing will be for the cash prize. William will be looking into the gun, rifle, or revolver options before next meeting. William has made a motion to have 1st prize trip April 25-27, 2nd prize firearm, & 3rd cash \$50.00, all were in favor & accepted. Ticket will be sold as follows: 1 for \$10.00 or 3 for \$20.00.

A Frames 1 or 2, 2 four sides Bob needs to know what we want each side. One our logo & other accomplishments but must be legible. Bob to get costs by next meeting.

Do not know how much it cost Jeremy's wife to make the corn holes but William would like to see about get those made to sell. Motion was made to reimburse Jeremy's wife the cost for her to make the corn hole & was accepted by all.

William made a motion to reimburse Jeremy for the stickers he had made & was accepted to reimburse him \$141.00.

New Business:

A Frames 1 or 2, 2 four sides Bob needs to know what we want each side. One our logo & other accomplishments but must be legible. Bob got an estimate for the A Frames \$422.19, he will get a check from Monica to pay to have them done. Jim made a motion to support Bob in the purchase of the A Frames. Vote was made & seconded, all agreed at the meeting.

Fisher House Run May 18th, 2024, We have following secured: starting here at the Moose Lodge, 1st stop Cycle Gear, 2nd stop V-Twin Collectives, 3rd stop VFW Post 549, Last stop American Legion #109. We have many vendors coming to our event, Bling Bling, Steam Punk, some of the ladies her will be doing a bake sale, Tattoo artist, & more. We need raffle prizes if you have any contact Monica to get those picked up. I have swag to put together Rosie is going to come help Anissa put them together.

Chapter Raffle Fundraiser, Anissa has spoken to the person that has the cabin in Pinetop and we have it reserved, we got smokin deal, we got a 7-day stay, it is costing us a \$85.00 a night for us, so it will cost us \$600.00, it sleeps 6 people, we saved \$300.00. We got from April 25-May 2nd. There will one ticket with the 3 prizes to win. When we have the drawing it will go as follows: 1st drawing for the trip, 2nd drawing is for the gun/riffle, William is going give us the next meeting our options on the gun & 3rd drawing will be for the cash prize. William will be looking into the gun, riffle, or revolver options before next meeting. William has made a motion to have 1st prize trip April 25-May 2nd, 2nd prize firearm, & 3rd cash \$50.00, all were in favor & accepted. Ticket will be sold as follows: 1 for \$10.00 or 3 for \$20.00.

Membership Drawing:

A total of \$ 104.00 was in the pot. ___N/A___, name was pulled. The amount will rollover to next month because he/she was not at the meeting. Next Month will be \$ 104.00 .

50/50 Pot: The winner was ___N/A___ for the amount \$ ___0___ .

Motion to Adjourn:

Was made by _Jim Butsback_ Seconded by _William Cleveland_ to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at _10:00_ am.

Next Meeting:

June 15th, 2024 at 10:00 am at Northwest Tucson Moose Lodge 2660 W Ruthrauff Rd., Tucson, AZ 85705 for the Fisher House Run.

Jeremy Krauss _____
Coordinator

Monica Byrne _____
Secretary