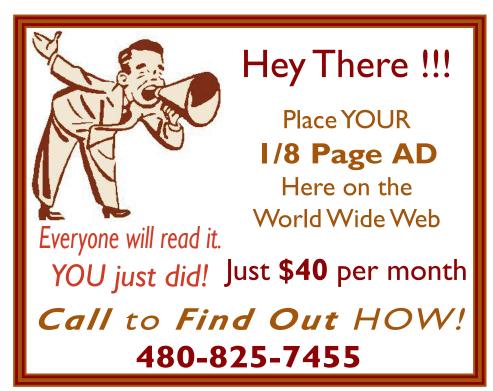


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On Saturday, June 27, 2020, members of the Rim Country District (RCD) of the Modified Motorcycle Association (MMA of AZ) of Arizona held their annual Bikini Bike Wash fundraiser. The event was held at Pinewood Tavern, in Pine AZ and was well attended. The Fallen provided the live entertainment inside and they pretty much rocked the house down. Outside, the entertainment consisted of the Ladies and Guys that volunteered to wash anything that could be rolled into the washing area. I lost track of how many bikes they washed, but I know they also washed at least a few cars and at least one pick-up truck.

We saw that this event was supported by many independent riders as well as several clubs including the Old Bastards MC from Payson which can always be counted on to help out the fight for motorcycle rights.

RCD wants to thank everyone that came out for a great day and for supporting motorcycle rights and motorcycle safety in Arizona. Special thanks goes to

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See you all at next year's event. Until then, RIDE SAFE!

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# From Military To Civilian – A Seamless Transition

When members of the Armed Forces of the United States finish at least one year of their tour of deployment they need to enroll in the Veterans Administration (VA) program to obtain any VA Health Benefits they may be entitled to receive.

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#### **Editors Column**

Hello AriZona Riders!

This month's cover photo was taken during the IFRD Ride to Prescott on May 2nd. You'll read about it on page 14. The photographer is Jennifer Sievers. The rider is Sunny Gunnoe-Lunnen.



Please welcome our newest Advertiser, G&M Neighborhood Barbershop. Their contact info & business link are on page 8. AZ Bike Week is on course for October 7-11; including the same band lineup as before.

Well, believe it or not, there IS life beyond the covid scamdemic; so THAT'S what we'll talk about here in these pages.... Some of that OTHER stuff ©

IF you want to read, hear, or learn about our thoughts on the topic of this covid crisis & how it is affecting the world as we all know it; you are welcome to visit our personal page where we are sharing a collection of presentations on numerous subjects.

We WILL say here that it is very sad and disturbing to observe how people are treating each other due to their frustration, fear, & panic. People calling others 'stupid' or worse ... and even stooping to assault ... simply because you might think differently from their point of view? Really? Are we back in kindergarten? Even if you disagree with someone, you can still be decent & respectful toward one another. Or just avoid them altogether. What is going to be accomplished by an escalated rant or physical violence? No one's mind will be changed & often enough it just makes the possibility of 'making your case' even less likely.

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People are headed to Sturgis! We wish you all safe travels and good times 

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#### MISSOURI REPEALS HELMET LAW FOR MANY ADULT RIDERS

Missouri has become the 32nd state to repeal their all-rider helmet law when Governor Mike Parson (R) signed House Bill 1963 into law on July 14; a massive transportation bill that includes a provision to allow adults to ride a motorcycle or trike without a helmet, provided they are at least 26 years old and have appropriate health insurance.

The new rules, which will go into effect August 28, also restrict police from pulling over helmetless riders to check f they have the required health insurance.

Sponsored by GOP Representative Travis Fitzwater, H.B. 1963 states in part: "Currently, every person operating or riding a motorcycle or motortricycle is required to wear protective headgear (Sections 302.020 and 302.026). This bill provides that persons under the age of 26 who are operating or riding as a passenger on a motorcycle or motortricycle shall wear a helmet when the vehicle is in motion. Similarly, a person who is 26 or older, is operating a motorcycle or motortricycle, and who has been issued an instruction permit shall wear a helmet when the vehicle is in motion. No political subdivision of the state shall impose a protective headgear requirement on the operator or passenger of a motorcycle or motortricycle. No person shall be stopped, inspected, or detained solely to determine compliance with these provisions (Section 302.020.2). The bill also provides that qualified operators who are 26 or older may operate a motorcycle or motortricycle without a helmet if he or she is covered by a health insurance policy or other form of insurance which will

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provide the person with medical benefits for injuries incurred as a result of a motorcycle or motortricycle accident. Proof of such coverage shall be provided on request of law enforcement by showing a copy of the qualified operator's insurance card. No person shall be stopped, inspected, or detained solely to determine compliance with these provisions (Section 302.026)."

"We really feel everything in this bill has been well vetted," Tony Shepherd, who lobbied in support of repealing the helmet law for a motorcycle rights group, ABATE for Missouri, told the St. Louis Post-Dispatch. Other organizations supporting the measure were the Missouri Confederation of Clubs & Independents (CoC), and Freedom of the Road Riders of Missouri (FORR-MO), which has been lobbying to repeal the "Show Me" state's helmet law for decades, successfully getting a bill on their governor's desk four times since 1999 only to be vetoed.

Last year, Gov. Parson vetoed a similar measure that would have allowed anyone older than 18 to ride without a helmet, though his veto was centered on a separate provision in that legislation.

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#### SWEEPING INFRASTRUCTURE BILL PASSED THE HOUSE, GOES TO THE SENATE

On July 1, 2020 the House of Representatives passed by a vote of 233-188 its signature infrastructure legislation, the Moving Forward Act, H.R.2 (previously the INVEST in America Act); providing over \$1.5 trillion in federal spending across a wide range of infrastructure areas including surface transportation, water, aviation, broadband, healthcare, and energy.

Included in the massive 2,213-page plan to rebuild and expand America's transportation infrastructure like highways, vehicle safety and public transit, the new 5-year federal funding measure also addresses several concerns voiced by motorcyclists.

As originally introduced in June, the INVEST in America Act included a

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provision to increase Motorcycle Safety Funds to states by 25%, to \$5.8 million. Added by unanimous consent during markup of H.R. 2 by the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee were three amendments to: Extend the prohibition against using federal funding for motorcycle-only checkpoints and also prohibits using federal funds to profile and stop motorcyclists based on of their mode of transportation or style of dress; Require the Department of Transportation to consider motorcycles in safety studies on autonomous vehicles and includes a motorcycle safety group in the DOT working group on autonomous vehicle deployment; An extension of the Motorcyclist Advisory Council including a seat on the council for motorcyclists' rights groups and manufactur-

An additional motorcyclist-friendly amendment was approved during the final floor vote in the House to provide federal monies to collect state profiling data regarding traffic stops based on "mode of transportation." H.R.2 now goes over to the Senate for further action, where Republicans have expressed opposition to the bill

as written by the Democrat-controlled

House, as well as a veto threat from the Administration, citing the Act's spending levels, regulatory changes, and climate change-related provisions.

#### 'ANTIQUE MOTORCYCLE ENTHUSIAST DAY'

A Congressional Resolution, H.Res.1041 was introduced in the House to recognize July 11, 2020 as "Antique Motorcycle Enthusiast Day" to recognize "the preservation, restoration, and operation of old-time motorcycles in the United States."

Sponsored by Representative Troy Balderson (R-OH) and co-sponsored by GOP Reps Michael Burgess (TX), and Tim Walberg (MI), House Resolution 1041 states;

Whereas many people in the United States own, restore, preserve, study, or admire motorcycles that fall into the antique category, meaning they are at least 35-years old;

Whereas the collection, restoration, and preservation of motorcycles is an activity shared across generations and across all segments of society;

Whereas thousands of local motorcycle clubs and related businesses have

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been instrumental in preserving a historic part of the heritage of the United States by encouraging the restoration and exhibition of such historic works of art;

Whereas the restoration of motorcycles provides well-paying, highly skilled jobs for people in all 50 States; and

Whereas, for over a century, motorcycles have been a source of family enjoyment, photographs, songs, movies, and an iconic fashion statement in the United States: Now, therefore, be it Resolved, That the House of Representatives –

- (1) supports the designation of "Antique Motorcycle Enthusiast Day";
- (2) recognizes the effect of the more than 120-year history of the American motorcycle and the economic surge that celebrated over 120 American brands in the United States in the first half of the 20th Century;



(3) recognizes that the collection and restoration of vintage and classic motorcycles is an important part of preserving the technological achievements and cultural heritage of the United States; and

(4) encourages the people of the United States to engage in events and commemorations of "Antique Motorcycle Enthusiast Day" in accordance with public health guidelines that create opportunities for antique motorcycle owners to educate young people about the importance of preserving the cultural heritage of the United States, including through the preservation of antique motorcycles.

#### GLOBAL MOTORCYCLE SALES **BOUNCE BACK AFTER** PANDEMIC SLUMP

After a strong start to 2020, motorcycle sales plummeted in March when the Coronavirus forced most of the world's population into lockdown, but with life gradually resuming, sales are bouncing back better than expected despite -- or perhaps because of -- the pandemic.

An increasing number of pundits and publications predict that the pandemic will encourage more people to turn to motorcycles and scooters for transportation -- the perfect type of commuter for social distancing. Although the first quarter of motorcycle sales are down 10.6%, they're selling better than cars which are down 12%.

In the U.S., according to rideapart. com, Honda, BMW, Suzuki, and Yamaha's North American branches reported that sales are thriving since the beginning of the year, particularly in the offroad segment.

The European market is showing a similar, positive trend; Italian sales numbers for June 2020 show a 37% increase over June 2019, while sales in the U.K. surpassed June 2019 levels by 14.3%. The market is also on the mend in hardhit India where local branches report sales are on the rise after the May slump. In the Land Down Under, according to the Australian Federal Chamber of Automotive Industries, sales for the second quarter were also up year over year.

In spite of a rocky Q1, the global motorcycle industry is faring far better than most expected.

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#### STURGIS STILL ON, AS OFFICALS SEND **COVID-TESTERS TO HELP OUT**

South Dakota health officials are sending 20 COVID-19 testing machines capable of producing tests in minutes to help carry out the Sturgis Motorcycle Rally amid the Coronavirus pandemic.

The 80th edition of the annual rally is expected to attract thousands of people to western South Dakota for the iconic biker rally, running August 7-16. The Rapid City Journal reports that the city council decided to cautiously proceed with the 10-day rally after realizing motorcycle enthusiasts were going to show up regardless.

Likewise, the Horry County City Council realized that there was no stopping the Myrtle Beach Spring Rally, which has gone on for 81 years, despite being postponed from May to July due to the virus. The 97th Laconia Motorcycle Week has been similarly rescheduled from June to August 22-30, with their City Council's consent.

ABATE of Iowa reportedly held an "Amazing Weekend" 36th annual Freedom Rally in Algona over July Fourth, and even county officials were "pleasantly surprised" by the responsible behavior exhibited by thousands of motorcyclists in attendance.

Unfortunately, though, an estimated twenty-two major rallies have been canceled so far this year, including the National H.O.G. Rally on the Gold Coast, Americade, Hog Wild, Mountainfest, Panama Beach Spring Rally, Roar on the Shore, Rolling Thunder, ROT Rally, Smoke Out, Thunder in the Smokies, Thunder in the Valley, Quail Motorcycle Gathering, Wauseon, Wing Ding 42, and INTERMOT, the motorcycle industry's big show in Germany, was canceled, while America's AIMExpo

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Many races have also been canceled or postponed; World Superbike and MotoGP races, American Flat Track, Isle of Man TT, Pikes Peak, as well as Motocross and Supercross. Easyriders has canceled their Bike Shows and Rodeos.

But as of now Arizona Bike Week is still on, October 7-11 in Scottsdale, as is the Four Corners Rally over Labor Day in Durango, CO, Reno's Street Vibrations' Spring Rally was postponed but their Fall Rally, Sept 24-27 is still "scheduled to happen," Daytona's Biketoberfest Oct 15-18 is currently proceeding, Golden Aspen canceled their May Aspen Cash Rally but reports their Golden Aspen Rally September 16-20 in Ruidoso, N.M. is still on, the Lone Star Rally in Galveston, TX has been "postponed" until November 4-7, 2021, Harley Rendezvous postponed, Mama Tried postponed, and AMA Vintage Days postponed, with new dates TBA.

#### NEARLY 200,000 PROTEST MOTORCYCLE BANS

Thousands of motorcyclists joined forces across central Europe to protest against motorcycle bans on certain Alpine roads, as demonstrations took place in a number of German cities and coincided with the launch of an online petition that garnered 199,663 supporters.

Protesters oppose unfair and largely unjust bans on motorcycles from certain roads, citing exhaust noise as the reason for the bans, although loud cars are not prohibited.

#### **NCOM CONVENTION TO HONOR FALLEN RIDERS;** INVITES NAMES FOR TRIBUTE

With the 35th Annual NCOM Convention in Indianapolis now just weeks away, the National Coalition of Motorcyclists is requesting that MROs, motorcycle clubs, and riding associations submit the names of those members and bikers' rights activists who have died since last May's Convention, so that we may honor their memories during the traditional "Ringing of the Bell" tribute to fallen riders. Dedications can be hand-delivered at the Convention to "Doc" Reichenbach, NCOM Chairman of the Board, or e-mailed in advance to Bill Bish, NCOM Public Relations Liaison, at NCOMBish@aol.com.

This year's NCOM Convention, rescheduled from Mother's Day weekend to October 16-17, 2020, will be held at the Marriott Indianapolis East (7202 East 21st Street in Indianapolis).

Meetings, seminars and group discussions will focus on legislative efforts and litigation techniques to benefit our right to ride and Freedom of the Road.

Pre-register by calling the National Coalition of Motorcyclists at (800) 525-5355 or visit www.ON-A-BIKE.com. For more info, click on http://onabike.com/national-coalition-of-motorcyclists/convention.html

### **QUOTABLE QUOTE:**

"Before God we are all equally wise and equally foolish." ~ Albert Einstein (1879-1955) German-born Nobel Prize-winning physicist

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# Community News

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April 23, 2020 ... Recall ~

NHTSA Campaign #: 20V232000

Brake Pads May Corrode/Detach From Backing Plate Components SERVICE BRAKES, HYDRAULIC, SERVICE BRAKES

Potential Number of Units Affected 97

Summary: Ducati North America (Ducati) is recalling certain 2017 Superleggera motorcycles. The front brake pads may corrode, potentially causing the front brake pads friction material to detach from the backing plate.

If the front brake pads friction material detaches from the backing plate occurs, the motorcycle may experience increased stopping distance, increasing the risk of a crash.

Remedy: Ducati will notify owners, and dealers will replace the front brake pads, free of charge. The recall began June 1, 2020. Owners may contact Ducati customer service at 1-888-391-5446. Ducati's number for this recall is SRV-RCL-20-001.

Notes: For this and any Recalls posted here, owners may also contact the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), or go to www.safercar.gov.

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April 28, 2020 ... Recall ~

NHTSA Campaign #: 20V236000

Brake Pads May Corrode/Detach From Backing Plate

Components: SERVICE BRAKES, HYDRAULIC Potential Number of Units Affected: 3,691

Summary: Triumph Motorcycles America, LTD (Triumph) is recalling certain 2018-2020 Street Triple RS, Tiger 1200 XCx and Tiger 1200 XCA, 2019-2020 Speed Triple S and Speed Triple RS, 2018-2019 Tiger 1200 XRT, Tiger 1200 XR, Tiger 1200 XRx and Tiger 1200 XRx LRH and 2020 Tiger 1200 Alpine Edition and Tiger 1200 Desert Edition motorcycles. The front brake pads may corrode, potentially causing the front brake pad friction material to detach from the backing plate.

If the brake pad friction material detaches from the backing plate, it may lengthen the distance needed to stop the motorcycle, increasing the risk of a crash.

Remedy: Triumph will notify owners, and dealers will replace the front brake pads, free of charge. The manufacturer has not yet provided a notification schedule. Owners may contact Triumph customer service at 1-678-854-2010. Triumph's number for this recall is SRAN 579.

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June 25, 2020 ... While we aren't a political publication, we do believe that an educated electorate is better equipped to make decisions at election time. We aren't endorsing any particular person, party, or philosophy. We do encourage everyone to vote their conscience after exercising due-diligence on issues and on candidates - whether new or incumbent.

A fellow #AZRiderSW reader asked us to share information about  $\underline{VOTESMART.org}$ . It is a non-profit organization that offers FREE in-

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formation to the voting public. From their website: "Vote Smart's mission is to provide free, factual, unbiased information on candidates and elected officials to ALL Americans." It gives voters the opportunity to learn about their candidates on a whole range of issues -- motorcycling AND otherwise - to get a better view of their positions before making choices. Vote Smart "will not accept funding from corporations, PACs or any organization that support or oppose candidates or issues." {They accept NO government or PAC money, only donations from plain ole citizens.}

VOTESMART.org volunteers "research & compile backgrounds and records of thousands of political candidates and elected officials to discover their voting records, campaign contributions, public statements, biographical data (including their work history)..." Etc & so forth... ©

Look up YOUR legislators. You can see what they have been doing for {or TO} you!

Doing this, you will have some data about your legislative candidates to compare to info you research about their political challengers.

YES ... it can be difficult to find background on the newbie candidates other than their releases; which own press can be less than helpful. But some digging around can produce nuggets of usefulness at times.

There are likely other organizations that offer similar research for voters. If you have found one that you think could be useful, you are welcome to share that link with us. We'll post it in the upcoming e-dition.

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July 1, 2020 ... In the same theme, the Arizona Motorcycle Lobby has released its annual Legislative Scorecard. It is a voters guide for Motorcyclists to "know which legislators support motorcyclists". You can read it via http://epicpolithis link cygroup.com/upload/672821/ documents/2D449B820D891DBA. pdf

Any questions? Contact ABATE of AZ's Legislative Director Mike Infanzon.

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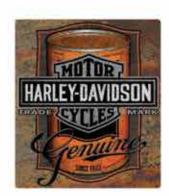
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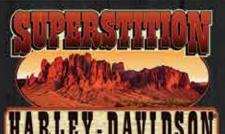


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### IFRD Rolls ON in AriZona

May 2, 2020 ... IFRD -- International Female Riders Day -- is a "a globally synchronized ride day for women motorcycle riders" as described on the website https://motoress.com/international-female-ride-day/. This is the event's 14th year. Riders of all ages, skill levels, and types of bikes participate; in countries all over the world. It is traditionally held on the 1st Saturday of May each year. This year it was postponed, at least 'officially', until August 22nd.

Since some gals here in AriZona weren't gonna allow c'vid mania to put them off of enjoying an opportunity to ride with their sisters of the wind, they went ahead and rode ANYWAY .... ON May 2nd. Nice!

My thanks to Michelle Theis of Windsisters of AZ and Jennifer Sievers of Motorcycle Princess Ladies Rider Group for sharing news of the day.

The ride went to Prescott. They started in the East Valley and picked up riders along the way thru Scottsdale, Cave Creek, Wickenburg, Yarnell, and Skull Valley. When they reached Prescott there were over 50 lady riders in the pack! They met up with another 20 or so in Prescott. Their afternoon included a picnic in the Courthouse Park.

There were some drawings at the park, including a very large gift basket from Whiskey Row H-D. This grand prize was won by Terri Hartmann Gunther. Congratulations!

Michelle exclaimed, "IFRD was awesome as it brought together several lady riding groups." She continued, "We had ladies from all over Arizona and several riding groups (Lita's Scottsdale, Phoenix Motor Girls, Motorcycle Princess Riding Group, and Windsisters). The regular IFRD day ride was cancelled but the ladies weren't about sitting at home on the first Saturday in May so we created our own ride."

Jennifer posted to the Motorcycle Princess Ladies Rider Group, "AZ IFRD is one of the best things to happen in our ladies biker community for 2020.... Special thanks to our AZIFRD organizers Jessica Mohs and Michelle Theis... This wouldn't be possible without their leadership. And thank you Lacey Cassidy and Deb and Dia for opening up Whisky Row H-D and having a potty stop and waters. You rock. I sooo love the beautiful sisterhood here in AZ and across our nation of amazing lady riders. Ride safe out there

ladies and Sparkle on!!!!"

If you are a Lady Rider in AriZona and looking for other gals to meet up & ride with, check out these organizations: Lita's Scottsdale, Motorcycle Princess Ladies Rider Group, Phoenix Moto Girls, and Wind Sisters of AZ.

As for the rescheduled 'official' IFRD Ride, on August 22? YES ... there will be rides taking place. These are the ones we know of at the time of this writing:

Jennifer will be leading a <u>ride out of</u> Desert Wind HD in Mesa. More details will be posted to her Motorcycle Princess Riders Group page.

Another ride will roll out of the Buddy Stubbs Cave Creek location. Get details from Ronda by calling 602-971-3400 or email r.griffith@buddystubbs.com

Not near any organized gathering? Prefer to ride solo? Then #JustRide and have a great time of it.

As always ... Ride safe, ride smart, have fun ©

> **Betsy** Photos courtesy of Jennifer Sievers, the Motorcycle Princess click title above to see more pix



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For MC bike night listings, visit http://www.azcmc.org/calendar

Tuesdays: August 11 & 25, 2020: Two Wheel Tuesdays at Superstition Harley-Davidson. 10a-5pm. Ride in for a Free multi-point inspection. No appointment necessary. Done on the spot while you wait. SHD 2910 W. Apache Trail Apache Junction, AZ 85120 FMI: 480-346-0600, receptionist@superstitionhd.com

2nd Wednesdays: ABATE-AZ Yavapai Chapter meeting ~ 6pm at VFW Post 541, 202 N Arizona Ave, Prescott. FMI: Dan Tumey 928-308-9911, ycabateaz@gmail.com

Last Wednesdays thru 11-25-2020: Bike Night with Loners MC at Skippy's Grille & Cantina [480-988-5466] 23858 S Power Rd, Queen Creek, AZ 85142. Starts 6pm.

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8/22 {Sat} Bikers For Blood Drive at Superstition Harley-Davidson® from 10a-2pm, in the HOG Room. SHD is located at 2910 W Apache Trail, Apache Junction, AZ. 85120. FMI: 480-346-0600, receptionist@superstitionhd.com https://www.superstitionhd.com/

8/22 {Sat} IFRD {Int'l Female Riders Day} event departs 7:30a from Desert Wind HD, 922 S Country Club Dr, Mesa. FMI: Jennifer 602-721-6491, Jennifer@motorcycleprincess.com

8/22 IFRD {Int'l Female Riders Day} event. Ride departs 7a from Buddy Stubbs HD Cave Creek {6812 E Cave Creek Rd Ste 1, Cave Creek, AZ 85331}. Please RSVP for b'fast headcount. FMI Ronda 602-971-3400 or email r.griffith@buddystubbs.com

9/4 {Fri} Awaiting Confirmation ... Motorcycles on Main Bike Night in Downtown Mesa from 6-10pm. Live Music, Beer Garden, vendors, & more. Park & show your bike. Eateries open. Vendors call Courtney 480-890-2613

9/4-6 {Fri-Sun} Four Corners Motorcycle Rally is ON in Durango CO. Sponsors include Law Tigers. FMI: www.fourcornersmotorcycler-

ally.com/

9/5-7 {Sat-Mon} 1st Annual Whiskey Row Rally, Prescott AZ. FMI: 928-443-5220, info2@ prescottdowntown.com

9/12 {Sat} September Scorcher Poker Walk hosted by Loners M/C 11a-5pm. \$10/sgl, \$15/cpl. Live music. Vendors. Gun raffle, High hand prize, 50/50. Sign-in 11a-1pm @ River Bottom Bar & Grill [520-868-3131] 2501 N Highway 79 Florence, Arizona 85132 FMI: https://www.facebook.com/events/308921180137728/

9/26 {Sat} 3rd Annual Pony Express Run hosted by CMVA 32-1 {Combat Veterans Motorcycle Association. Details TBA. FMI: Ken 623-234-9294, hickinskd@yahoo.com

10/2 {Fri} Awaiting Confirmation ... Motorcycles on Main Bike Night in Downtown Mesa from 6-10pm. Live Music, Beer Garden, vendors, & more. Park & show your bike. Eateries open. Every first Friday between September & June. Vendors call Courtney 480-890-2613 https://facebook.com/MotorcyclesOnMain

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10/3 {Sat} Lost Dutchman MC QC Six Shooter Poker Run. Sign-in 10a-noon @ Superstition HD {2910 W Apache Trail, Apache Junction, AZ}. Last card by 4pm, location TBA. High hand wins a large caliber magnum "Six Shooter Revolver". Vendors, raffles, music and all the fun stuff. FMI: billetIdmc@gmail.com

10/7-11 {Wed-Sun} Arizona Bike Week at WestWorld in Scottsdale. [rescheduled from April] http://www.azbikeweek. com/

10/17 {Sat} Bikers For Boobies http://www.bikers4boobiesaz.org/

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11/6-8 {Fr-Sun} ACMC's Riot on the River in Winkelman, AZ \$20/sgl, \$30/cpl. Bike show, bike games, vendors, camping, & more. FMI: billetldmc@gmail. com

11/7 {Sat} Craft Fair & Bake Sale at American Legion Post 34 in Cave Creek, in the Al Morgan Hall from 10a-3pm. Includes 16 fantastic vendors who all will contribute an item for our raffle. Bake Sale will consist of mostly home-made items made by our members. All proceeds will benefit Veterans and their families in need. FMI: Susie Snider- 480-772-6778 email: ssgoldfc@gmail.com

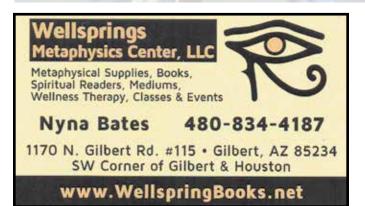
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12/5 {Sat} Troll's Troll's Teddy Bear Run Mesa collects stuffed animals for Family Advocacy Center, Mesa Police & First Responders to assist traumatized children.

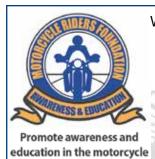
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