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Editors Column

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We are welcoming a New Advertiser this month ~ the ‘Riding For the Long Haul’ event - presented by AMSAF and others who are working together to educate riders and drivers about rider safety & safely sharing the road. This year’s gathering takes place March 5. Learn more on page 9 and in our calendar.


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England is home to world leading motorcycle companies, motorsport teams and racing talent, and the industry contributes significantly to the British economy by employing over 50,000 people and generating a total of £11 billion of sales each year (\$13.5 billion USD).

The Vnuk ruling stems from a case involving a Slovenian farm worker, Damijan Vnuk, who was hurt falling from a ladder, which was hit by a reversing tractor.

**VICTORY MOTORCYCLES WINDS
DOWN PRODUCTION**

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has just announced. The move is to allow the firm to “narrow” its focus onto more profitable areas of the business, including Indian Motorcycle.

A statement just released by Polaris says it will “immediately begin winding down its Victory Motorcycles brand and related operations.” Dealers will be assisted in “liquidating existing inventories” and parts will continue to be supplied for 10 years. Servicing and warranty coverage will also continue.

“This was an incredibly difficult decision for me, my team and the Polaris Board of Directors,” said Polaris Industries Chairman and CEO Scott Wine. “Over the past 18 years, we have invested not only resources, but our hearts and souls, into forging the Victory Motorcycles brand... The experience, knowledge, infrastructure and capability we’ve built in those 18 years gave us the confidence to acquire and develop the Indian Motorcycle brand, so I would like to express my gratitude to everyone associated with Victory Motorcycles and celebrate your many contributions.”

According to the written statement, Victory has “struggled to establish the market share needed to succeed and be profitable.”

It says: “The competitive pressures of a challenging motorcycle market have increased the headwinds for the brand.

Given the significant additional investments required for Victory to launch new global platforms that meet changing consumer preferences, and considering the strong performance and growth potential of Indian Motorcycle, the decision to more narrowly focus Polaris’ energy and investments became quite clear.”

Wine added, “This decision will improve the profitability of Polaris and our global motorcycle business, and will materially improve our competitive stance in the industry.”

“Our focus is on profitable growth, and in an environment of finite resources, this move allows us to optimize and align our resources behind both our premium, high-performing Indian Motorcycle brand and our innovative Slingshot brand, enhancing our focus on accelerating the success of those brands. Ultimately this decision will propel the industry-leading product innovation that is core to our strategy while fostering long-term growth and increased shareholder value.”

100% TARIFF PROPOSED ON EUROPEAN MOTORCYCLES

Motorcycles are once again caught in the crossfire of an international trade policy standoff between the Office of United States Trade Representative and European Union, stemming from ongoing dis-

agreements over meat products. During the late 1990’s, the World Trade Organization requested the E.U. lift its standing ban on U.S. beef; the E.U. declined, citing the meat’s failure to meet European health and hormone standards. In 2009, the U.S. negotiated a pact allowing some beef market access; but according to the White House, the agreement “has not worked as intended.”

As a result, the U.S.T.R. is now considering a new petition from the U.S. beef lobby, invoked last December under a revised clause in the 1974 Trade Act that would create a “retaliation list” of foreign products which are subject to heavy import tariffs, to balance the export losses. Unsurprisingly, the U.S. beef lobby’s list consists largely of meat and animal parts, but it also includes a scattershot of other items, like chewing gum, electric hair clippers, and motorcycles.

Two vehicular tariffs are proposed on the new retaliation list. One is for European bikes between 51cc and 250cc; the other, European bikes between 251cc to 500cc. Both would be subject to an import tax of 100% (or more). This would directly impact fifteen European manufacturers, including major brands like Aprilia, BMW, Ducati, Husqvarna, KTM, Piaggio and Vespa.

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ular European motorcycles, these tariffs could potentially cripple the U.S. dealer network, putting thousands of salespeople and techs out of work.

It's not the first time the motorcycle industry has been in this position. In 1999, after the E.U. declined the W.T.O. directive, European motorcycles were included in -- and later dropped from -- a similar retaliation list. The same thing happened again in 2008, leading into negotiations for the current deal.

The beef lobby's new petition is currently in the review phase, and the U.S.T.R has opened the proposal to a public comment period ending January 30.

“DEAD RED” LAW PASSES IN OHIO FOR ALL VEHICLES

During a three-week lame-duck legislative session that ended in mid-December, state lawmakers in Ohio passed more than fifty new laws, including House Bill 154: Under certain conditions, drivers (and riders) can now proceed through a red light if you think your vehicle is not tripping the signal to change, but only if the intersection is clear. If a malfunctioning traffic signal doesn't detect your car, truck or motorcycle; the law states that your vehicle must come to a complete stop first, and after a reasonable amount of time you can proceed through the in-

tersection as long as the coast is clear and you must yield to oncoming traffic with the right of way.

“If a driver does go through a red light, and there is an accident, they have the burden to prove it was malfunctioning,” explains local A.I.M. attorney (Aid to Injured Motorcyclists) Ralph C. Buss. “If a motorist or motorcyclist, or bicyclist, does come across a light that isn't working, it is recommended that they should call police.”

The Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) invites Bike and Motorcycle riders to contact an ODOT advocate to report problems with traffic signals and roadway conditions via Email to bike.report@dot.state.oh.us or call (614) 387-0722.

ARIZONA “PAY FOR PLAY” HELMET LAW PROPOSAL

A bill has been introduced to require motorcycle riders in Arizona to wear a helmet, except that “AN OPERATOR OR PASSENGER OF A MOTORCYCLE, ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLE OR MOTOR DRIVEN CYCLE WHO IS AT LEAST EIGHTEEN YEARS OF AGE IS EXEMPT FROM THE HELMET REQUIREMENT PRESCRIBED BY SUBSECTION A OF THIS SECTION IF THE OWNER PAYS A FEE (amount to be determined) WHEN REGISTERING

THE VEHICLE.”

According to HB 2046, introduced by Representative Dr. Randall Fries (D-Tucson), “THE FEE ALLOWS A PERSON TO OPERATE THE MOTORCYCLE, ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLE OR MOTOR DRIVEN CYCLE WITHOUT WEARING A HELMET AND ALLOWS A PASSENGER TO RIDE ON THE CYCLE WITHOUT WEARING A HELMET.”

“Amending this statute would require all 200,000 motorcycle riders in Arizona to wear a helmet or be subjected to a fine of Five Hundred dollars which three hundred would be going towards Rep. Fries and his friends and their spinal cord trauma practices,” explains Michael Infanzon, lobbyist for ABATE of Arizona. “We have seen Rep. Fries try this game year after year and Arizona motorcyclists have succeeded in stopping this infringement on our right to choose to wear a helmet or not.”

This proposed legislation has been referred to two different committees, Transportation and Infrastructure Committee and Rules Committee, and ABATE of Arizona has issued an IMMEDIATE CALL TO ACTION for riders to contact Rep. Fries and members of the House committees to kill the bill. “This is nothing more than a tax on motorcyclists and

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an infringement on our rights,” notes Infanzon.

Editors followup: From Jim Butsback, ABATE of AZ President, “Thanks to the strong response to the Call to Action, HB 2046 the helmet bill did not get out of the committee! It was struck down 8 votes against and 0 votes for. This was a bi-partisan vote! Thank you to all who called and emailed the legislators! ALL OF OUR HARD WORK PAID OFF!”

ALLSTATE O.N.E. PROGRAM TEAMS UP LOCALLY TO HELP RIDERS

It’s a case of Bikers Helping Bikers, as longtime rider Jason Large of Jackson, Ohio wanted to help protect riders on the major Ohio state route he lives on. Allstate Insurance was inspired by Jason’s desire to help keep his fellow riders safe and coincidentally, have their own campaign with just this goal in mind.

Allstate’s Once is Never Enough (O.N.E.) program is an awareness campaign created to help reduce the number of motorcycle crashes involving other vehicles at intersections by encouraging motorists to “look twice, because once is never enough”.

Through the O.N.E. program, a yellow diamond-shaped "Watch for Motorcycles" warning sign was created in 2009

following two years of development, which has resulted in 179 signs installed at dangerous intersections in 41 different U.S. cities across 21 states.

DUMP TRUMP EFFORT IN THE DUMPS

In a last-ditch effort by Democratic strategists and the Hollywood elite to derail President-Elect Donald J. Trump’s ascension to the presidency, U.S. Electoral College delegates have been swamped with requests to ignore their pledge and “vote your conscience,” but longtime bikers’ rights advocate Jim Rhoades of ABATE of Michigan, one of that state’s 16 electors, says they’re cries are falling on deaf ears because he’s obligated to speak for the voters of his state.

Appearing on *FOX News* network’s "Your World" wearing his ABATE shirt, Rhoades revealed that he's gotten over sixty thousand emails, phone calls and basketfuls of form letters calling on him to vote against Trump, as well as some threats, but believes fellow electors also feel steadfast about their duty and will support the will of their states’ voters when they cast their ballots on Monday, December 19th.

Calling the pressure tactics a “waste of time,” Rhoades told *FOX News* host Neil Cavuto in the nationally televised interview on December 15 that “I’m not

intimidated by any of this stuff,” and added “I’ve been riding Harleys since the sixties, so I’ve been around a long time, I’m a grass roots political animal... and I love what Trump says, and he's got me fired up looking for great things and looking to make America great again."

In the aftermath of a norm-busting 2016 Presidential campaign, Trump won 306 Electoral College votes to Hillary Clinton’s 232, but if 36 “faithless electors” changed their ballots it would send the election to the U.S. House of Representatives to be determined, where Republicans hold a majority. In the past, some electors turned “faithless” in nine out of the last 17 elections, and a total of 179 times throughout American history, but no electors have ever changed the outcome of an election by voting against their party’s designated candidate.

ANALYSTS ADVISE INVESTORS TO BET ON MOTORCYCLES AND PIZZA

Every U.S. presidential transition brings a change in priorities, forcing market gurus to bet on which sectors of the economy might benefit from the new administration, but with corporate analysts admittedly baffled by Donald Trump, prognosticators are doing some intellectual gymnastics.

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Joseph Spak, a Royal Bank of Canada analyst, thinks Donald Trump’s \$1 trillion plan to rebuild American infrastructure will ultimately provide construction workers with extra cash. And what do construction workers like to spend money on? Motorcycles, of course.

“If the economy is stimulated and construction jobs increase,” Spak recently predicted that Harley-Davidson Inc. “could see some better demand.”

According to the *Wall Street Journal*, another firm advises investors that pizza-delivery companies that benefited from a high-drama campaign that kept many diners glued to their televisions might continue to profit from the drama of a Trump transition.

FEDS SEEK TO REQUIRE NEW VEHICLES TO TALK TO EACH OTHER

U.S. auto-safety regulators have proposed new rules requiring automakers to adopt crash-avoidance technology that allows all new vehicles to communicate with each other, a move that could help accelerate the development of self-driving cars.

The requirement of so-called vehicle-to-vehicle connectivity (“V2V”) on all consumer vehicles within the next five years is viewed as central to the development of a new age of cars that can avoid

accidents by wirelessly monitoring each other. V2V technology uses short-range radio communication to allow vehicles to identify each other's speed, location, direction and acceleration or braking, within a radius of about 300 meters.

The move marks a concrete step by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration toward its goal of eliminating roadway deaths within 30 years, and agency officials told *USA Today* that vehicle-to-vehicle and vehicle-to-infrastructure technology could eliminate or greatly reduce the seriousness of up to 80% of crashes that don't involve driver impairment.

NHTSA pledges that the new technology would not divulge any personal information regarding drivers.

EUROPEANS TO TEST AUTONOMOUS CARS WITH MOTORCYCLES

Vehicle authorities will cooperate with European motorcyclists’ organizations to conduct their own test program with different brands of semi-autonomous cars. “The Dutch are authorizing further testing to see if these ‘semi-autonomous’ cars can operate safely with motorcycles on the road,” says Oregon A.I.M. (Aid to Injured Motorcyclists) and COC (Confederation of Clubs) Attorney Sam Hochberg, who alerted the

National Coalition of Motorcyclists (NCOM) about this important issue here and abroad. “This is going to be a real issue here in the USA in the not-too-distant future.”

In response to a letter motorcyclists' organizations FEMA (Federation of European Motorcyclists Associations), MAG NL (Motorcycle Action Group – Netherlands) and KNMV (Dutch Motorcycle Association) sent to RDW, with regard to the European type approval of the Tesla by RDW, a meeting took place recently where the motorcyclists' worries were addressed. RDW is the Netherlands Vehicle Authority that issued the European type approval for Tesla.

A driver of a Tesla - and other advanced cars - can leave key actions to the vehicle itself, while in the opinion of the motorcyclists' organizations this equipment is not, or not sufficiently, tested with motorcycles. In the discussion about the concerns that motorcyclists have with admitting (semi-) autonomous vehicles on the roads, it soon became clear that many of the concerns of the motorcyclists' community are shared by RDW.

RDW proposes - in cooperation with the motorcyclists' organizations - to conduct their own test program with different brands of cars with Advanced Driver Assistance Systems. RDW also believes

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- as do the riders - that testing with motorcycles should be part of the test protocol for European type approval.

Dolf Willigers, General Secretary of FEMA: "We are very pleased with the outcome of this first meeting with the experts of RDW. We are going to act together and we will see in the field tests to which extent the technique takes motorcyclists into account."

NEW YEAR, RENEWED EFFORTS
IN D.C.

With the 114th Congress set to adjourn, and a new congressional session beginning in January, some federal bills that motorcyclists have been advocating will expire and need to be reintroduced.

House Resolution 831 was introduced in the U.S. House of Representatives on July 13, 2016 to "Promote awareness of motorcycle profiling and encourage collaboration and communication with the motorcycle community and law enforcement officials to prevent instances of profiling."

The National Coalition of Motorcyclists (NCOM) is working with other state and national motorcycle organizations to address profiling legislatively, and with Washington State enacting the first anti-profiling law in 2011, followed by Maryland this year, a national motorcycle anti-profiling measure would ad-

vance the efforts in every state to prevent discriminatory enforcement.

HR 4715 & S 2659, the RPM Act (Recognizing the Protection of Motorsports Act of 2016), would ensure that the American tradition of modifying vehicles into dedicated racetrack competitors is not only continued for today, but will be protected for future generations of race fans as well.

Although the federal EPA bowed to political pressure and public outcry this past April by removing provisions from proposed regulations that would have prohibited street-legal vehicles, including motorcycles, from being modified for racing, members of both chambers of Congress have introduced bipartisan legislation to protect the sport of racing by blocking the EPA from over-regulating the industry and ensuring that it remains legal to convert street legal motor vehicles for racing purposes.

Responding to the controversy over the proliferation of E15 fuel, which is not approved for use by any motorcycle manufacturer and can invalidate warranties, Congress is considering HR 5108 (the "Food and Fuel Consumer Protection Act of 2016) "to alleviate the ethanol blend wall under the renewable fuel program." Specifically, the bipartisan bill would cap the ethanol content of fuel at 9.7%, and would also effect the EPA's Renewable

Volume Obligations under the Renewable Fuel Standard.

In addition, in January Congress banned the use of federal funds for controversial Motorcycle-Only Checkpoints as part of a \$305 billion highway bill called the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act, as well as allocating more than \$4 million towards motorcycle safety programs, and going forward into the next Congress and an all new Administration bikers must work to protect those advancements we've already made.

ANTI-MASK LAWS USED AGAINST
BANDANAS

During the Confederation of Clubs (COC) meeting at the NCOM Region I Seminar in Irvine, California in November, as an example of discriminatory profiling, attendees were notified of motorcyclists in Louisiana who have allegedly been arrested for wearing bandanas over their faces while riding because police claim that covering your face in public violates the state's anti-mask law against concealing your identity.

According to Louisiana statute (LSA-R.S. 14:313) – "No person shall use or wear in any public place of any character whatsoever, or in any open place in view thereof, a hood or mask, or anything in

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the nature of either, or any facial disguise of any kind or description, calculated to conceal or hide the identity of the person or to prevent his being readily recognized... Whoever violates this Section shall be imprisoned for not less than six months nor more than three years."

It was further noted that many states have similar anti-mask laws on the books, so be aware.

**"THE TWIN PEAKS
AMBUSH"**

On the fateful day of May 17, 2015, hundreds of motorcyclists and rights activists met in Waco, Texas to discuss current events and motorcyclist rights issues at a meeting of the Texas Confederation of Clubs and Independents (COC&I), and many subsequently had their lives changed forever. Nine people died, another 17 were injured that day after police opened fire on the gathering. Before the dust settled, 192 people were arrested, and charged with cookie cutter

charges of participation in organized crime and held on \$1 million bail each. Ultimately 106 were indicted on felony charges of "engaging in organized criminal activity."

A recent post from *Easyriders* Scuttlebutt announces that Donald Charles Davis, who runs the popular Aging Rebel biker news site "has penned this interesting book (titled "The Twin Peaks Ambush: A True Story About The Press, The Police And The Last American Outlaws") including far reaching interviews with people who were there on the scene, and attempts to make sense of it all, a tall order. He has done a good service, and we recommend the book to anyone who has an open mind and a heart. Bikers lives do matter."

WEIRD NEWS:

**WOMEN ARRESTED FOR
RIDING A MOTORCYCLE**

Iranian police arrested two women for riding a motorcycle in a western city -- an incident that went viral when images

appeared online and sparked a social-media backlash against the country's political and religious authorities.

State news agency *IRNA* said the two women were detained in Dezful, whose law enforcement chief, Ali Elhami, accused them of committing an "ugly" act that breaks the "religious norms" of the conservative Islamic-led nation.

IRNA quoted Elhami as saying he ordered the women's arrest after online images of the two women riding the motorcycle and being surrounded by male onlookers at a local park prompted complaints about the women's dress, appearance and interaction with the men. The two women will be judged for breaking "revolutionary norms and values."

Women in Iran are barred from obtaining licenses to drive motorcycles in public.

**WITCHDOCTOR
SUMMONS BEES TO
STOP MOTORCYCLE
THIEF**

Local news reports from Mbooni, Makueni in Kenya claim that a motorcyclist has managed to recover his bike from a thief after asking the local witchdoctor for help.

The witchdoctor allegedly contacted a large swarm of bees that had already begun to invade a local market, and sent them to track down the

stolen motorcycle instead.

According to *motofire.com*, the spell worked, and the thief is said to have run off 'for dear life' as the bees began settling onto the yoke and tank of the bike, as depicted in photographs of the scene. The reports then go on to suggest that the bees "also protected the bike from any further interruption for over half an hour until the owner could arrive, who then took his motorcycle home."

Some say the swarm was merely an act of nature and nothing supernatural at all, and Assistant Chief Patrick Mwanzia said that the swarm simply arrived after the queen of the hive got stuck within the bike's handlebars. And, in fact, "a similar incident had happened just days before when another bike was covered in a swarm for over two hours"... but how does that explain how the queen bee just happened to get stuck in that particular stolen bike?

QUOTABLE QUOTES: "I can't understand why people are frightened of new ideas. I'm frightened of the old ones."

~ John Cage (1912-1992), American composer, philosopher & artist

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SEDUCTIVE CAR CLUB ~ CAR & MOTORCYCLE SHOW AZ Rider

The third annual Seductive Motorcycle and Custom Car Show, to kick off the Superstition Harley-Davidson Christmas Toy Drive, took place on Saturday November 5, 2016. An estimated 400-600 spectators came out to SHD, located at 2910 W Apache Trail, Apache Junction, AZ. Everyone was encouraged to bring a new, unwrapped toy for the Toy Drive.

Kids of all ages were welcome to check out the parking lot; which was filled with beautiful vehicles on display as they competed for trophies & bragging rights. There were 133 show participants ~ 86 cars/trucks and 47 motorcycles. In addition to the static display of vehicles ~ there was a Car Hop Competition. There were 6 cars at the hop this year ~ 2 Street Car Hoppers & 4 Radical Hoppers. JR, representing USO Car Club, won the street hop with his '83 GMC Caballero hitting 26 inches. Frank with Frank's Custom Hydraulics took the Radical class by hitting well over 100 inches.

The 'Nate Williams Band' provided

musical entertainment plus there were food and merchandise vendors to shop.

The day's Club Participation Award was won by USO Car Club. There were 30 awards presented throughout the various classes.

The beneficiary of this event is Sunshine Acres Children's Home, located on Higley in Mesa. This day's activities was in preparation for the Toy delivery, which took place on Saturday December 10th. Santa's escort included about 70 bikes and 15 cars. Several of those cars were loaded with toys. There would be plenty to go around.

After delivering the toys to Sunshine Acres and some visit time, Superstition HOG & the Seductive family & friends headed over to Lucky Lou's American Grill at McKellips & Power in Mesa to wrap up with a ride-end party..

Thank you to Paul Ponzetti of Seductive Car Club for your help with this article. A very cool thing about this club is that while most car clubs are for cars only, this group recognizes that people

who are in to cars often appreciate motorcycles as well. Bringing that all together into a family club setting; theirs is, more specifically, a Car, Motorcycle, and Bicycle Club. Very neat!

Paul sent along, "Special thanks go out to John Bernath from San Tan Ford for their donation, and to Ryan Hayes from Hayes Transmission. Thanks also to Day and Night Heating & Cooling for their support of this event. Thanks to Erik Scott for the awards from Divine Signs. Their donations helped make our event special."

Learn more about Seductive Car Club by checking out their Facebook page at www.facebook.com/seductivecarclub1/

See even more photos by following this link ... <http://tinyurl.com/jehlort>

Mark your calendars for the 4th annual Seductive Motorcycle and Custom Car Show, scheduled for November 4, 2017 at Superstition Harley Davidson.

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Happy Birthday in February to.....
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Richard Simat, Robb Felder,
Barbara Lentz, Wayne Slocum,
Joan Hunsinger, Vicky Cisek Long,
and Larissa Mckee McCauley
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Happy Anniversary in
February to.....
Tracey & Jeremy Price
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December 13, 2016 ... from the
ACMC mailing list ... Speedy aka
Steve Morgan of the Privateer Riders
MC lost his life to a massive heart at-
tack. We extend our condolences to
his family and friends.
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December 30, 2016 ... Recall -
NHTSA Campaign Number: 16V948
*Motorcycle Rear Suspension Bolt
may Loosen* - If the bolt loosens and
affects the motorcycle's handling,
there may be an increased risk of a
crash.
Manufacturer:
BMW of North America, LLC
Components: SUSPENSION
Potential Number of Units Affected:
21
Summary: BMW North America,
LLC (BMW) is recalling certain mod-
el year 2016-2017 S 1000 RR motor-
cycles manufactured June 8, 2016,
to November 16, 2016, and 2017 S
1000 R motorcycles manufactured
on October 12, 2016. One of the
bolts on the rear suspension deflec-
tion lever may loosen and adversely
affect the handling of the motorcycle.
Remedy: BMW will notify owners,
and dealers will replace the bolts and
tighten them to the proper specifica-
tions, free of charge. The recall is ex-
pected to begin February 10, 2017.
Owners may contact BMW customer
service at 1-800-525-7417.
Notes: 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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January 5, 2017 ... Robert Green of
Scottsdale was the winner of the Sa-
cred Grounds Horse Rescue Ranch
motorcycle drawing that took place
on January 5th. He took the cash ~
he reportedly couldn't swing the tax-
es on the bike. According to SGHRR
owner Bobby Joe, they may do a
similar style raffle again. Once the
details are worked out they will let us
know when tickets go on sale.
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January 13, 2017 ... Recall ~ NHTSA
Campaign Number: 17V031
Air Bag Inflator May Rupture ~ An in-
flator rupture may result in metal frag-
ments striking the operator resulting
in serious injury or death.
Manufacturer:
Honda (American Honda Motor Co.)
Components: AIR BAGS
Potential Number of Units Affected:
882

Summary: Honda (American Hon-
da Motor Co.) is recalling certain
2006-2009 and 2012 Honda GL1800
(Goldwing) motorcycles originally
sold, or ever registered, in Alabama,
California, Florida, Georgia, Hawaii,
Louisiana, Mississippi, South Caro-
lina, Texas, Puerto Rico, American
Samoa, Guam, the Northern Mariana
Islands (Saipan), and the U.S. Virgin
Islands, or "Zone A."

Additionally, if not included in
"Zone A," Honda is recalling certain
2006-2009 Honda GL1800 (Gold-
wing) motorcycles originally sold, or
ever registered, in Arizona, Arkan-
sas, Delaware, District of Columbia,
Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky,
Maryland, Missouri, Nebraska, Neva-
da, New Jersey, New Mexico, North
Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsyl-
vania, Tennessee, Virginia, and West
Virginia, or "Zone B."

Additionally, if not included in Zone
A or Zone B above, Honda is recalling
certain 2006-2008 Honda GL1800
(Goldwing) motorcycles originally
sold, or ever registered, in the states
of Alaska, Colorado, Connecticut,
Idaho, Iowa, Maine, Massachusetts,
Michigan, Minnesota, Montana, New
Hampshire, New York, North Dakota,
Oregon, Rhode Island, South Dako-
ta, Utah, Vermont, Washington, Wis-
consin, and Wyoming.

These vehicles are equipped with
certain air bag inflators assembled
as part of the air bag modules used
as original equipment or replacement
equipment. In the event of a crash
necessitating deployment of the front
air bags, these inflators may rupture
due to propellant degradation occur-

ring after long-term exposure to ab-
solute humidity and temperature cy-
cling.
Remedy: Honda will notify own-
ers, and dealers will replace the air
bag module, free of charge. The re-
call is expected to begin January
24, 2017. Owners may contact Hon-
da Motorcycle Customer Support at
1-866-784-1870. Honda's number
for this recall is KE5.
Notes: 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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January 18, 2017 ... We learned
about the death of Loners MC Club
brother Michael 'Sinner' Powell. He
was riding in Glendale, (near 51st &
Northern Aves) in the early morning
hours of January 18, and hit a medi-
an as he was approaching the inter-
section. Our condolences go out to
his family and friends.
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January 18, 2017 - Recall ~ NHTSA
Campaign Number: 17V035
*Throttle may Stick Open when using
Heated Grips* ~ If the throttle sticks
open, there would be an increased
risk of a crash.
Manufacturer:
Triumph Motorcycles America, LTD
Components: STEERING
Potential Number of Units Affected:
1,390

Summary: Triumph Motorcycles
America, LTD (Triumph) is recalling
certain 2016-2017 Bonneville T120
and Bonneville T120 Black motor-
cycles. During use, the heated hand
grips may expand and cause the
throttle to stick open.

Remedy: Triumph will notify own-
ers, and dealers will install a spacer
to prevent the throttle from sticking,
free of charge. The recall is expected
to begin February 20, 2017. Owners
may contact Triumph customer ser-
vice at 1-678-854-2010. Triumph's
number for this recall is SB 546.

Notes: 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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Polaris Industries to Wind Down Victory Motorcycles Operations

Strengthening its Position in the Powersports Industry

January 09, 2017

9:15AM Eastern Std Time

MINNEAPOLIS--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Polaris Industries Inc. (NYSE:PII) today announced it will immediately begin winding down its Victory Motorcycles brand and related operations. Polaris will assist dealers in liquidating existing inventories while continuing to supply parts for a period of 10 years, along with providing service and warranty coverage to Victory dealers and owners. Today's announcement does not affect any other Polaris business units.

"This was an incredibly difficult decision for me, my team and the Polaris Board of Directors," said Polaris Industries Chairman and CEO Scott Wine. "Over the past 18 years, we have invested not only resources, but our hearts and souls, into forging the Victory Motorcycles brand, and we are exceptionally proud of what our team has accomplished. Since inception, our teams have designed and produced nearly 60 Victory models that have been honored with 25 of the industry's top awards. The experience, knowledge, infrastructure and capability we've built in those 18 years gave us the confidence to acquire and develop the Indian Motorcycle brand, so I would like to express my gratitude to everyone associated with Victory Motorcycles and cel-

brate your many contributions."

Several factors influenced today's announcement. Victory has struggled to establish the market share needed to succeed and be profitable. The competitive pressures of a challenging motorcycle market have increased the headwinds for the brand. Given the significant additional investments required for Victory to launch new global platforms that meet changing consumer preferences, and considering the strong performance and growth potential of Indian Motorcycle, the decision to more narrowly focus Polaris' energy and investments became quite clear.

"This decision will improve the profitability of Polaris and our global motorcycle business, and will materially improve our competitive stance in the industry," said Scott Wine. "Our focus is on profitable growth, and in an environment of finite resources, this move allows us to optimize and align our resources behind both our premium, high performing Indian Motorcycle brand and our innovative Slingshot brand, enhancing our focus on accelerating the success of those brands. Ultimately this decision will propel the industry-leading product innovation that is core to our strategy while fostering long-term growth and increased shareholder value."

Polaris will reduce the

appropriate operating cost based on this decision, while continuing to support the future growth of the ongoing motorcycle business. Polaris remains committed to maintaining its presence in the Spirit Lake, Iowa community with Indian Motorcycle production and in the Huntsville, Alabama community with its Slingshot production.

Any one-time costs associated with supporting Victory dealers in selling their remaining inventory, the disposal of factory inventory, tooling, and other physical assets, and the cancellation of various supplier arrangements will be recorded in the 2017 income statement in respective sales, gross profit and operation expense. These costs will be excluded from Polaris' provided 2017 sales and earnings guidance on a non-GAAP basis.

Polaris will release its fourth quarter and full-year 2016 financial results and provide 2017 guidance on Tuesday, January 24, 2017. A webcast and conference call will be held at 9:00 a.m. Central Time on January 24, 2017 to discuss the results. A slide presentation and link to the webcast will be posted on the Polaris Investor Relations website at ir.polaris.com. To listen to the conference call by phone, dial 877-706-7543 in the U.S. and Canada, or 478-219-0273 Internationally. The Conference ID is #45015597.

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Except for historical information contained herein, the matters set forth in this news release, including management's expectations regarding expected disposition charges and future investments, are forward-looking statements that involve certain risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those forward-looking statements. Potential risks and uncertainties include such factors as product offerings, promotional activities and pricing strategies by competitors; costs of canceling supplier arrangements; warranty expenses; foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations; environmental and product safety regulatory activity; effects of weather; uninsured product liability claims; and overall economic conditions, including inflation and consumer confidence and spending. Investors are also directed to consider other risks and uncertainties discussed in documents filed by the company with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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MPP - Jury Finds Mongols Not Guilty After Motorcycle Profiling Arrest

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Mongols Arrested for Get Back Whip Found Not Guilty

Motorcycle profiling is an epidemic in California and this fact is perfectly illustrated by recent actions targeting motorcycle club members by the San Diego Police Department. Specifically, one Detective Timothy Coyle has recently been targeting motorcycle club members with harassment and frivolous criminal charges related to the possession of weaved leather decorations as slung-shots, commonly called "Get Back Whips". Documented incidents prove Detective Coyle has been targeting members of the Mongols and Chosen Few Motorcycle Clubs, harassing them, and arresting them frivolously.

Official complaints have been filed and last month a jury in San Diego rejected Coyle's tactics and found two Mongols MC members not guilty related to illegal weapons charges deriving from so called "Get Back Whips." Members of the Chosen Few MC are currently awaiting trial on the same charges, again involving Coyle.

This type of discrimination and profiling is unacceptable and must not be tolerated. Legislation prohibiting motorcycle profiling in California would be a cost efficient and effective solution.

Mongols Arrested For Get Back Whips

Dr. William Dulaney, an established expert witness in cases involving motorcycle clubs, recently wrote to the MPP regarding a recent case in which he consulted.

The Story- Two members of the Mongols MC were arrested on illegal weapons charges south of San Diego, California in May 2015 while riding with over 30 other Mongols members and five friends. *"Specifically, two members were arrested and charged with illegally possessing 'slung shots', commonly called get back whips,"* says Dulaney. (Note that at the time of the incident one of the men was not yet a member.) The group was on its way to their annual World Run held in Mexico.

After exiting the U.S. border, the entire pack of riders were directed to a large inspection area bounded by concrete barriers. There ATF Special Agent Ciccone and other police officers searched several members of the Mongols, including the 2 ultimately charged, *"but it was San Diego Detective Timothy Coyle who interpreted a key chain and a decorative braided belt chain as slung shots,"* says

Dulaney.

Mongols Acquitted in Chula Vista Trial

The prosecution was based on Detective Coyle's claims he submitted in his report to the court for trial and under oath that, *"These slung shots are commonly carried by outlaw motorcycle gang members to be used as a readily available weapon. The weapon is swung at the intended target with the metal clip striking the victim."* (Official Report, "Investigation" section, pg. 6). Indeed, *"Coyle goes on to claim that he has ONLY observed these items used as weapons,"* writes Dulaney.

But the jury did not agree and both Mongol MC defendants were acquitted. Perhaps they were persuaded by the fact that the defendants were not wearing weapons or whips? Indeed, one defendant was wearing, clipped to his vest, *"a 10" keychain made of braided nylon parachute cord and a metal clip similar to clips used on dog leashes."* The other defendant wore *"attached to his belt a roughly two-foot decorative chain with*



nylon parachute cord wound through the chain links."

According to Dulaney, Coyle was unable to answer, under oath, when asked about the history of the slung shot. He stated into the record that he is unaware of any such history. Ever hear the one

about David and Goliath?

But maybe most telling was the fact that the officer ordered to take the defendants into custody and to jail *"apologized to them both for not having a clue why they were being arrested. Evidence corroborating the claims here is found in the very words used by the arresting officer on the official report,"* says Dulaney.

Upcoming Chosen Few Trial

Indeed, *"Coyle is making a name for himself as the biker slung shot expert,"* says Dulaney. Unfortunately, the Mongols incident is not isolated. Members of the Chosen a Few MC are still awaiting their trials for identical charges. Again, Detective Coyle is involved in their incident as well.

additional link: On September 9th, 2016 at least 5 SDPD officers conducted a profiling stop on 2 members of the Chosen Few Motorcycle Club and arrested them for participation in a criminal street gang.

These men committed no crimes and had no criminal records but were still given excessive bail.

One Chosen Few member confirmed to the MPP that he was charged with possessing a slungshot- the decorative zip-tied whip- and both men were charged with possessing brass knuckles for wearing rings, including wedding rings. Both men were also given gang enhancements for participating in a criminal street gang. Both men were also given \$120,000 bail.

Official complaints have been filed against the officers involved, and one can only hope that another jury will see through this type of discriminatory policing in San Diego particularly considering that Detective Coyle appears to be a common denominator in these recent incidents of discrimination.

Conclusions

The actions of the SDPD are inexcusable. Targeted harassment of motorcycle clubs based solely on association is a baseline violation of an individual's civil liberties. A simple legislative solution exists that immediately reduces profiling. Other states like Washington and Maryland faced similar discrimination and responded by passing laws prohibiting motorcycle profiling. These laws have been effective reducing discriminatory stops and preserving the right of motorcyclists to travel free from harassment.

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ACMC Toy Run



The 2016 ACMC {Arizona Confederation of Motorcycle Clubs} Toy run to benefit Andrea's Closet at AZ Children's Center took place on Sunday December 18. According to event spokesman Marcus, "This is the Arizona Confederation of Motorcycle Club's flagship annual charity event and it is very special to us that we are able to do this. It is a 100% charity that directly impacts the local community in which many of us reside so it really hits home." He continued, "This was the 5th and biggest year of this annual event and as it is every year, it is VERY FAMILY FRIENDLY AND COMMUNITY INVOLVED. We encourage and plan for kids to be present at this event, both from the organizations involved like the kids and families from the AZ Children's Center that were able to come out in person and accept a bike or toy as well as families and kids from the local community that come out to support and be involved in something very special for someone else."

An estimated 800 people gathered between 7am & noon at the Wal-Mart, located at 19th Ave & Bell Rd. in Phoenix. The event is open to the public. New, unwrapped toys are donated. There was a bounce house for the kids, and of course Santa was there for the kids to visit with.

The after-party was in New River. "At noon, all of the Motorcycle Clubs and other riders in attendance assembled in the Wal-Mart parking lot to parade ride from there up to the Road Runner Saloon for the after party gathering. The route was northbound on 19th Ave to Bell Rd. West on Bell Rd. to the I-17 Freeway. North on the I-17 freeway to the New River off ramp. Off at New River and east to the Road Runner Saloon." From Marcus, "Andrea's Closet is our partner organization helping to facilitate the event and distribution of toys

and bikes to the kids at the Arizona Children's Center (Maricopa County Medical Center). All of the toys go directly to the AZ Children's Center for their Andrea's Closet storage room that very day.

"Thanks to great support from the Motorcycle Club Community and the general public, the event was able to collect 1200 toys and 87 bicycles to donate. With the number of children that come through the AZ Children's Center, Andrea's Closet estimates these toys will last 2-3 months for them. The need is great and we hope to increase donations every year."

Thanks go out to, "The ACMC and all of the Motorcycle Clubs that supported and helped make this year the most successful year of this event so far. Kenny and all of Andrea's Closet, who without their help, this effort would not be able to touch so many special hearts of kids in need during the Christmas season. Wal-Mart on Bell and 19th for their continued support and help to make this event successful. Mike at Channel 3 AZ Family News and Channel 5 KPHO local news for their live coverage of the event. All of the local community who came out the cold morning of the event to donate a toy and a smile to a child at Christmas."

Marcus added, "A lot of great people work very hard and have a lot of fun every year with this event. Our partners in this event are, without a doubt, some of the most caring people out there for what they do all year round for the children. We would like to share with you a little info about Andrea's Closet and what they do on a regular basis.

"You may already know this, but Andrea's Closet partners with most of the hospitals in the valley to help bring a little joy and happiness to children who are seriously or terminally ill. Many of these children face serious treatments for illnesses like leukemia, cancer, or burns.

When these children have to undergo a major surgery or treatment, Andrea's Closet helps to comfort and distract them from the fear of the procedure or illness by letting them choose a special gift from a toy filled 'closet' to help comfort them.

"The Arizona Confederation of Motorcycle Clubs partners with Andrea's Closet to help support the Arizona Children's Center at the Maricopa Medical Center for this particular toy run. The Arizona Children's Center provides medical care to infants, children, and adolescents of varying degrees. Many of these kids have terminal illnesses or face serious medical treatments for their illnesses such as the ones mentioned above. Our goal as the ACMC in partnering with Andrea's Closet for the Arizona Children's Center is to try and bring a smile and a better Christmas holiday to as many of these kids as possible during a very scary and uncertain time in their life.

"The ACMC has partnered with Andrea's Closet for five years running to try and help the very special kids at the Arizona Children's Center. These kids may not be able to go home for Christmas to enjoy the holiday with their family and siblings, but together, we may be able to bring them some Christmas cheer while they are in the hospital.

"Thank you for reading, as we thought it was important that you knew what this event is really about and the reason behind it...THE KIDS."

Thank you, Marcus, for all the great information you sent along and to the ACMC for this outstanding effort on behalf of children in our Valley.

Learn more about the AZ Confederation of Motorcycle Clubs {ACMC} via their website <http://www.azcmc.com/>

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1st Saturday: Ride in Movie Night at Rosie's Den Café, 19949 N. US Hwy 93; White Hills, Arizona 86445. Begins at 8pm until Sunday morning. Come out for classic B-movies followed by an old fashioned biker campout complete with a Bloody Mary b'fast the next morning. The movie is free, the camp out is \$30/pp. Bring a group of ten+ & get \$5/pp off. Submit your favorite b grade biker movie to get a chance to win an overnight package for you & a guest if we show your suggestion. FMI: events@sincitybiker.com, 702-630-5527, www.sincitybiker.com

Every Tuesday: Rollin Knights MC Tucson Taco Tuesday @ 3385 Winstel Blvd 85716. FMI: Info@rollinknightsmc.com

Every Wednesday: Bike Night at Brat Haus [3600 N. Scottsdale Rd, Scottsdale] 6-10pm. FMI: Brathausaz.com

2nd Wednesday: ABATE-AZ Yavapai Chapter meeting ~ 6pm at Addictions Bar & Grill 1590 Swenson St, Prescott. FMI: 928-237-9029, ycabateaz@gmail.com

2nd Thursdays: Nomaden MC Bike Night 6p-? @ Nomaden MC Clubhouse 137 N Huachuca Blvd, Huachuca City, next to WW Pizza. Open to the public. Plz bring non-perishable food item for Community Food Bank. FMI: on FB @ /nomaden.mc | nomadenmc@cox.net

Every Thursday: Loose Cannons MC Open House 7-11:30pm. 1408 W. Apache Trail Apache Junction. FMI: n/a

2nd & 3rd Friday: ALMA MC East Side Open House from 8p-midnite. Food & Beverages available. 3212 S. Fair Lane, Tempe.

2nd & 4th Friday: ALMA MC Open House- All Chapters. 7pm at the Club House, 1446 N. 27th Ave, Phx, AZ 85009. Great Food, Great Music & a Great Time! FMI: Chapo soy.chapo@gmail.com

2/3 {Fri} Motorcycles on Main Bike Night in Downtown Mesa from 6-10pm. Live Music, Beer Garden, vendors, & more. Park & show your bike. Eateries open. Takes place every first Friday between September & June. Vendors call Courtney 480-890-2613 <https://facebook.com/MotorcyclesOnMain>

2/4 Hooligans MC's Anniversary Party @ HMC Clubhouse 2663 W Lone Cactus from 6-11:30pm. \$10/sgl, \$15/cpl. Food, music, 50-50, vendors & a kickass time. FMI: <http://Hooligansmcdeervalley.com>

2/4 Navy JROTC Benefit Car & Motorcycle Show hosted by The Anchor Club, parent organization for the Apache Junction High School Navy Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps. This local event, held 10am to 3pm in the south parking lot at the AJHS, 2525 S Ironwood Dr in AJ, attracts quality participants from car clubs as well as individual car and motorcycle enthusiasts. Anyone wishing to display their vehicle can register between 8-10:00am for \$25 the day of the show. The event is FREE for spectators. All proceeds benefit the NJROTC program for their educational trips, training and local, state and national championship competitions throughout the year. Some activities include live auctions, music, 50/50 raffle, breakfast/lunch for purchase and awards for different class of vehicles. FMI: njrotc.anchorclub@gmail.com, Esther Stillman at 480-206-3277, or Lisa Schroeder 928-460-0331, website = njrotcanchorclub.org

2/11 {Sat} Evil Twin Custom Cycles of Mesa hosts Bike Night at Arlie's Bar & Grill, 2155 E University Dr, Ste 116, Tempe, 85281 from 6-10pm. Music & sit-in jam session hosted by Unknown Associates. Games, specials, & more. Every 2nd Saturday. FMI: Robert 480-784-0040, robert@eviltwincustomcycle.com

2/11 Pets and Vets at Eaglerider in Tempe ... A day filled with Great Food, Fun, Live Entertainment, Vendors, Raffles and Giveaways! Details TBA. FMI "Red" 480-829-1903 | red@eaglerideraz.com | eaglerideraz.com

2/15 {Wed} Motorcycle Day at the Dome, sponsored by Motorcyclists Rights Organizations ABATE, MMA, APMC, MMAA, VAMR. Meet & converse with your State Legislators to discuss issues facing Motorcyclists. From 10a-2pm on the Capitol House lawn 1700 W. Washington, Phoenix AZ. All are welcome. Sponsors include Law Tigers. FMI: Vic Grady 602-300-4115 <https://www.facebook.com/events/1208920719169646/>

2/18 {Sat} Accident Scene Management Class at HD of Scottsdale. Basic class. \$50/pp. FMI: Teresa McClelland 'Trauma Mama' tjm911rn@aol.com

2/18 Wild West Spring Roundup Mystery Run, hosted by US Military Vets MC. Sign-in 8:30am @ Chandler H-D. \$20/pilot, +\$5/passenger. Last stop NFF Shop in Avondale. Supports local AZ Veterans. FMI: Mizzou_USMVMC@yahoo.com

2/19 {Sun} Accident Scene Management Class at HD of Scottsdale. Advanced class. \$50/pp. FMI: Teresa 'Trauma Mama' McClelland tjm911rn@aol.com

2/19 12th Annual "Bikers Soar for Wildlife" Poker Run for Adobe Mountain Wildlife Center. AMWC relies on donations to provide food, shelter, & veterinary care to the birds and animals living there. Sign-in 8:30a @ Arrowhead HD in Peoria. \$30/sgl, \$40/2-up. Pre-reg b4 2/5 & Save \$5. Lunch included. Last stop @ Buffalo Chip Saloon in Cave Creek. FMI: 623-277-6926, DPrice@azgfd.gov, www.azwildlifecenter.net

2/25 {Sat} Freedom Beach Party hosted by MMA-AZ at The Roadhouse - 6900 E Cave Creek Rd, Cave Creek 85331. \$15/pp includes pull pork sandwiches, coleslaw, & baked beans for the first 200 registered, all games & contests. House band 2-6. Gates open at noon, event runs to 6pm. Live Music, biker games, 50/50 raffles, and live auction, tattoo contest, vendors & more. Enjoy a day with friends and help support the Modified Motorcycle Association in their fight to preserve your motorcycle rights. FMI: 602-434-6920 Tami, <http://mma-az.org>

2/25 Hooked on Healing Veterans Motorcycle Ride; featuring five stops over a 100 mile. \$35 registration fee includes rider & passenger, b'fast, ride patch and more. Proceeds benefit disabled and homeless veterans through Arizona Stand Down Alliance and Phoenix Project Healing Waters Fly Fishing and local charities supported by San Tan Crown Rotary Club. Sign-in 8:30 am Chandler HD, 6895 W Chandler Blvd in Chandler. FMI: 480 399-0247

3/3 {Fri} Motorcycles on Main Bike Night in Downtown Mesa from 6-10pm. Live Music, Beer Garden, vendors, & more. Park & show your bike. Eateries open. Takes place every first Friday between September & June. Vendors call Courtney 480-890-2613 <https://facebook.com/MotorcyclesOnMain>

3/4 {Sat} The Wheel Shop Relaunch Party and Open House from 11a-5pm. The Wheel Shop - 1621 E McDowell Rd., Phoenix 85006. Arizona's oldest motorcycle shop is under new ownership & management! Come & check us out. Free food, drinks & giveaways!! FMI Sleeves at 602-253-1344

3/5 {Sun} "Riding For the Long Haul" hosted by AMSAF [Arizona Motorcycle Safety & Awareness Foundation] @ Shrine Auditorium 552 N 40th St, Phoenix from 10a-5pm. Vendors needed. Live music, silent auction, guest speakers, skills demonstrations, & more. Sponsors include Law Tigers. FMI: www.amsaf.org | MDegn40669@aol.com

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3/11 Hogs 4 Dogs, sponsored by Casa Grande Valley Humane Society. Ride starts at Casa Grande Cotton Bowl Lanes, 1740 N. Pinal Ave. There is on {no?} registration fee. Registration begins at 8:30am and motorcycles go out at 10a. Raffle tickets will be sold at each stop. FMI: 520-705-0309

3/12 {Sun} Motorcycle Swapmeet at The Wheel Shop – 1621 E. McDowell Rd, Phoenix 85006 from 8a-noon. \$5/space, first come, first served. Used parts only. FMI: Sleeves 602-253-1344

3/18 {Sat} 2nd Annual Dakota's Run will start at Arrowhead Harley-Davidson – 16130 N Arrowhead Ftn Dr, Glendale, AZ, 85382. This run in support of the Leukemia Lymphoma Foundation to find a cure for these & other cancers. This run is named after a young lady who is in remission from these diseases. Sign in at Arrowhead HD starts 8a. Last bike out by 10:30am. Last Bike in by 2:30pm. \$25/sgl, \$35/2-up. FMI: Randy at 602-320-3548

3/19 {Sun} Bikers For Boxers to benefit Boxer Luv Rescue. Starts @ H-D of Scottsdale – 15656 N Hayden Rd, 85260. 10am registration & B'fast, 12pm last bike out, 3pm last bike in. Lunch served last stop. 5 stop dice roll ride – Win \$50, \$100, or \$200! Ride Shirts (1st 100 riders) – Ride bags (1st 250 riders) FMI: www.boxerluv.org

3/25 {Sat} Yavapai ABATE Swap Meet All 2- & 3-wheeled, on- & off-road vehicle swap meet at Addictions Bar & Grill in Prescott, AZ - 1590 Swenson St. FMI: Reed at 928-710-0737, RWW2683@msn.com

3/25 Accident Scene Management Class at Tucson HD. Basic class. \$50/pp. FMI: Teresa 'Trauma Mama' McClelland tjm911rn@aol.com

3/26 {Sun} Accident Scene Management Class at Tucson HD. Advanced class. \$50/pp. FMI: Teresa Trauma Mama' McClelland 'tjm911rn@aol.com

3/31-4/1 {Fr-Sat} Too Broke For Bike Week is a fundraiser for the Phoenix/Shadow Mtn. Chapter of A.B.A.T.E. of AZ at Desert Wind HD, 922 S Country Club Dr, Mesa. Music, Bike Show, Vendors, Rally Ride, Contests & more! Bands include .38 Special, 74th Street Band, Jackyl, & The Visitors. GA \$30/day OR online ticket discounts @ www.TooBrokeForBikeWeek.com

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3/31-4/2 {Fr-Sun} West Coast Rendezvous, an annual, old school weekend party for 21 & older only. Held at Saddle Sore Ranch, a 5 acre property just off Rte 66 in AZ, near the Cool Springs Gas Station & Oatman. Music (some live, some memorex), camping (tent and RV sites), cookouts, old school biker games, biker rodeo, nightly parties and more.... It is on an unpaved road, but most of it is graded and maintained by the county. Motorcycles, pickup trucks and suv's can access the Ranch very easily. Cars with low ground clearance are not recommended. FREE vendor space available. FMI: Rob Borden - rob @ bikeratlas.com | <http://westcoastrendezvous.com/>

4/1 {Sat} Evil Twin Custom Cycle hosts their Customer Appreciation Party. Free food, free beer, door prizes, live music, swap meet, vendors & more. Please bring non-perishables for St Mary's Food Bank. Party starts at 10am & goes till we are done. Check out our NEW shop, located at 58 N. Country Club; Mesa, AZ 85201. FMI: 480-784-0040. www.eviltwincustomcycle.com/

4/1 American Legion Pat Tillman Post 117 ALR presents Tillman's Ride 2017. Sign up 9-11am at Chandler H-D - 6895 W. Chandler Blvd, Chandler, AZ. \$20/sgl, \$30/2-up. Celebrating all our heroes who have served (Military | Law | Fire). FMI: "Tillman's Ride" on facebook or tillmanride@gmail.com

4/2 {Sun} 22nd Annual Trifecta at the Steel Horse Saloon – 1818 W Bell Rd, Phoenix 85023. Bike Show, Live Bands, Vendors, Food, Beer garden & more. FMI: 602-942-8778, www.steelhorsesaloon.com/

4/5 {Wed} 17th annual Wednesday Riding for Kids, hosted by Buddy Stubbs AZ H-D & HOG Chapter 93, Phoenix. FMI: 602-971-3400

4/5-9 {Wed-Sun} Arizona Bike Week 2017 <http://azbikeweek.com/>

4/5 ABW's Peace Out, Prostate Cancer Ride www.peaceoutprostatecancer.org

4/6-9 {Thurs-Sun} Phoenix Bikefest 2017 @ Peoria Sports Complex. FMI: www.phoenix-bikefest.com

4/6 ABW's T-Bar Trail Ride. Registration starts at WestWorld Scottsdale at 9am. PRE-REGISTER \$35/pp. Day of registration: \$40/pp ~ Includes: B'fast & Thursday admission to AZ Bike Week. Benefits breast cancer charities. All riders required to show license & proof of insurance at check-in. FMI: www.azbikeweek.com/

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4/7 {Fri} Motorcycles on Main Bike Night in Downtown Mesa from 6-10pm. Live Music, Beer Garden, vendors, & more. Park & show your bike. Eateries open. Takes place every first Friday between September & June. Vendors call Courtney 480-890-2613 <https://facebook.com/MotorcyclesOnMain>

4/7 ABW's fifth annual "Saddle Up for Kids Ride" will span over 235 miles, covering some of Arizona's most scenic highways. Benefits AZ's Camp Courage, a summer camp for youth burn survivors, and HOGZ United Charities. Ride starts at Harley-Davidson of Scottsdale – 15656 N Hayden Rd, Scottsdale, AZ 85260. – Long Northern Scenic Ride Register 7-9am. – Short In-Town Ride Register 7-11am. Ride fee: \$40/pp – includes ride, b'fast at HDoS hosted by Waffle House, entrance to AZ Bike Week and the Korn concert, & ride t-shirt to the 1st 300 pre-registered riders. Pre-Reg at: www.hogzuc.com

4/7 ABW's 'Dry Heat' Run. Event starts at Paul Yaffe's Bagger Nation – 2211 E Indian School Rd. Phoenix 85016 at 10am. \$40/pp { \$35/pp pre-reg } Come Ride with the Hamsters, a custom motorcycle group whose members include some very famous names in the industry. FMI: www.azbikeweek.com/rides.htm

4/7 East Valley Firefighters Charity Poker Run. FMI: www.firefighterspokerrun.com

4/8 {Sat} Evil Twin Custom Cycles of Mesa hosts Bike Night at Arlie's Bar & Grill 2155 E University Dr, Ste 116, Tempe, 85281 from 6-10pm. Music & sit-in jam session hosted by Unknown Associates. Games, specials, & more. Every 2nd Saturday. FMI: Robert 480-784-0040, robert@eviltwincustomcycle.com

4/8 ABW's Hand in Hand Ride benefits Phoenix Children's Hospital. Sign in 8-10am @ PCH, 1919 E Thomas Rd - Phoenix. \$40/pp { \$35/pp pre-reg } includes b'fast, gift, raffle tkt, & Saturday entry to AZ Bike Week. FMI: <http://www.azbike-week.com/rides.htm>

4/8 2nd annual REV'D UP for Autism, benefit for Pawsitive Friendships. Details TBA. FMI www.pawsitivefriendships.org, 480-353-7833

4/8 Buddy Stubbs 13th Annual Bike Week Bash will be held at Buddy Stubbs H-D - 13850 N Cave Creek Rd, Phoenix 85022. Party in the parking lot from noon-8pm. Two acre Beer garden, Margaritas, Rum, Great Food, Live Music, Vendor displays, Museum Tours, and ample parking and FREE Shuttle service. We will be giving away a 2017 Sportster 1200 to someone at the event. FMI: 602-971-3400

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4/9 {Sun} 14th annual Run For Kids, hosted by Old Pueblo Riders to benefit AZ School for the Deaf & Blind in Tucson. Sign-in at School, 1200 W. Speedway, Tucson. Day of fee = \$25/pilot + \$20/2-up. Pre-reg by Apr 5 & \$ave \$5 each. No-host b'fast starts 8am, reg starts 10a, last bike out @ noon. All kid-friendly stops. Last stop & Party Shooter's Steakhouse & Saloon, 3115 E Prince Rd. FMI: www.oldpuebloriders.org/

4/21-23 {Fr-Sun} 56th annual Yuma Prison Run presented by Norwalk Centaurs M/C at Yuma County Fairgrounds. Live music and dancing to the Sam Morrison Band and Tommy and The Drifters. Family bingo, bike games 50/50 drawing, ride-in bike show, Victor McLaglen Motor Corps & Drill team. Escorted procession to Territorial Prison Museum. Saturday's dinner BBQ Chicken or Tri-Tip. Run pins for the first 2000 entrants. Tent & open air camping, Motorhome & RV parking. Benefits Children's Charities. Registration opens 10am Friday & closes 5pm on Saturday. Donation: Adult \$35, ages 7-12 \$20, kids under 6 free entry only. Cash only, no checks or cards. FMI: Kent (Huey) yprinfo@yahoo.com | www.yumaprisonerun.com

4/22 Accident Scene Management Class at Grand Canyon HD ~ Mayer. Basic class. \$50/pp. FMI: Teresa McClelland 'Trauma Mama' tjm911rn@aol.com

4/22 {Sat} Desert Thunder MC 30th Anniversary Party at 3101 W. Thomas Rd, Phoenix, AZ. Food, Vendors, live Band, Support Gear. \$10/pp, \$15/cpl start at 5pm. FMI: 623-201-9925

4/23 {Sun} Accident Scene Management Class at Grand Canyon HD ~ Mayer. Advanced class. \$50/pp. FMI: Teresa Trauma Mama' McClelland 'tjm911rn@aol.com

4/23 4th annual Poker Run at Sage & Sand, 13831 W Glendale Ave, Glendale AZ. Starts 8am. Benefits Cutrano AZ Troop Run. FMI: AZTroopRun.com

4/26-29 {Wed-Sat} The Other Side Of Laughlin. The turn off to the Saddle Sore Ranch from the north is only 19 miles east of Laughlin, on Hwy 68. From the south side it's only 13 miles E. of Oatman on Rt 66 (Oatman Rd). SSR is the place to stay during the River Run if you like the outdoors & lots of privacy. A true "old school" type biker area. Includes an outdoor bar, horseshoe pits, a bonfire pit, campfire rings, bbq grills & more... Dry, primitive tent camping, limited RV spots (no hook ups) & truck/suv parking. Pickups & SUV's are fine, but cars with low ground clearance are NOT recommended. The main road is unpaved, but maintained & graded. The Ranch is easily accessible by motorcycle. "Trailer Queens", however, may want to stay away. Free vendor space is available. FMI: Rob Borden, rob@bikeratlas.com | http://saddlesoreranch.com/?page_id=59

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5/6 Arizona International Female Ride Day. Details TBA

5/13 {Sat} Law Tigers AMA Pro Flat Track Arizona Mile at Turf Paradise, 1501 W Bell Rd, Phoenix, AZ 85023 from 11a-6pm. FMI: <http://tinyurl.com/je4ys8h>

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5/20 {Sat} 8th annual National Armed Forces Freedom Ride. Starts at American Legion Post 2, 2125 S Industrial Park Ave, Tempe. Details TBA. FMI: Skeeter freedomride-az.2010@gmail.com, <http://azfreedomride.webs.com>

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6/3 {Sat} ABATE of Arizona East Valley Chapter Annual Spaghetti Feed, from 6-9pm. All U Can eat Spaghetti, Meatballs, Garlic bread, Salad, and Desserts. Adults \$10, Kids \$5. FMI: Jim 602-312-1927

6/9-11 {Fr-Su} Too Broke For Sturgis #26. Support your State Motorcyclists Rights Organization ABATE-AZ while having a helluva lot of fun! Music by Unchained & Skarlett Fever. Mormon Lake Lodge. FMI: www.toobrokeforsturgis.com/

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9/15-17 {Fri-Sun} River Riders MC 33rd Annual Friendship Run, hosted at the Grand Canyon Caverns. FMI: www.riverridersmc.com/33rd-annual-friendship-run.html

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10/21 {Sat} 'Bikers for Boobies' 9th Annual Poker Run FMI: www.bikers4boobiesaz.org/

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