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Hello AriZona Riders!

Welcome to our 262nd issue!

In our 22 years of publishing AZ Rider, we've accumulated quite a collection of Archives. Looking back through them, we decided that for this month in particular, what's already been said is all right to say again.



We visited our Archives to honor one of the most tragic anniversaries of our beautiful Country.... the attacks of September 11, 2001.

Unfortunately, time has taken its toll on some of our archived photo disks. Our thanks to Barry Caraway of CycleRides.com for reprint permission of photos in his online gallery. The link is at the end of the article.

Please consider this.... In the 20 years since 9/11, much has been revealed to those willing to challenge the official story, examine peculiarities, and do some research. Learning more about what happened isn't being disrespectful to the Victims. It is a way to Honor them ... by answering some of those 'why' questions.

Regardless of how or where you spend the day, we hope that you will take time to reflection on the Memory of the many People whose lives were stolen on that terrible day and in its aftermath.

We were also drawn to another milestone event that has bearing on the present, even though it no longer take place. Mountain Madness is where we got married... 25 years ago. So we shared an archive from that run as well.

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Deborah Butitta Inducted into the Sturgis Motorcycle Hall of Fame

August 12, 2021

The Motorcycle Riders Foundation would like to congratulate board member and ex-officio Deborah Butitta, on her induction into the Sturgis Motorcycle Hall of Fame during the 81st Annual Sturgis Motorcycle Rally. Butitta was the recipient of the "Freedom Fighter Award" which recognizes individuals who have made a long-term, positive impact on the motorcycle rights community!

The Freedom Fighter Award recognizes the sacrifices individuals across the nation, and world, have made to protect the rights of motorcyclists through their ef-

forts in the political arena and in grass-roots motorcyclists' rights organizations.

Deborah Butitta was born and raised in Rockford, IL to a modest family. As a young girl Deborah was around motorcycles and by high school could be seen riding on the back of her boyfriend's motorcycle. In the early 90's Deborah was introduced to ABATE of AZ, in 1994 Deborah joined the Motorcycle Riders Foundation. During her tenure with the Motorcycle Riders Foundation Deborah held 3 different positions, including Corporate Secretary for 8 years. Currently Deborah is on the Motorcycle Riders Foundation Board of Directors, and she is the Chairman for the Motorcycle Riders Foundation Awareness and Education Board of Directors.

Congratulations Deb!

Deborah is also on the ABATE of Arizona Board of Directors, representing the Yavapai Chapter.

About Motorcycle Riders Foundation
The Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF) provides leadership at the federal level for states' motorcyclists' rights organizations as well as motorcycle clubs and individual riders. The MRF is chiefly concerned with issues at the national and international levels that impact the freedom and safety of American street motorcyclists. The MRF is committed to being a national advocate for the advancement of motorcycling and its associated lifestyle and works in conjunction with its partners to help educate elected officials and policymakers in Washington and beyond.



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Remembering September 11, 2001

Hello Arizona – Editors Column

reprinted from Volume 3, Issue 10, October 2001

We saw appalling and monstrous things happen the week of September 11, 2001. News of the horrific attacks on the World Trade Center Towers, the Pentagon, and the plane crash near Pittsburgh... Mind-numbing images coupled with information overload assaulted decent people everywhere as they were glued to televisions, watching history unfold.

Our most tangible evidence of what was happening -- something that could 'tie' us to the events going on thousands of miles away was... silence. Our office is located directly in the flight path of Sky Harbor Airport. On a normal day, planes come and go so often that they tune out of your daily awareness. The silence of the grounded planes could be deafening at times... and a constant reminder of lives forever silenced.

Our thoughts and prayers go out to the families and friends of the innocent victims of this barbaric assault. We pray that these souls be gathered into the loving arms of the Higher Power before whom each of us will someday stand.

We've seen the most marvelous things happen since that day as well... and we hope that you saw them too. The goodness of so many decent people in the USA and around the world presented the opportunity for refreshing tears of pride and appreciation to dilute the tears of unimaginable grief. The firefighters and police officers running toward what all too soon could be their own end... The overwhelming response of humanitarian aid... Other countries honoring Old Glory and singing the Star Spangled Banner... And something that many Americans, unfortunately, will not see... the wonderful words of support from Motorcycling Organizations around the world that you will read in these pages.

In the days following the horrific events of September 11, 2001 we grappled with the question of what is an appropriate approach to this issue of the paper. Although we remind our readers that *Arizona Rider Motorcycle News* is not a *political* publication, we here are most certainly made up of *patriotic* hearts. While we realize that our readers look to us for entertainment and news of the motorcycling community, there was a feeling that what we do here is too frivolous for

such serious times as we now all find ourselves. To go about as if nothing has changed would be unconscionable and disrespectful to the greatest degree.

It was with some relief that we came to realize that we were not alone in our dilemma... Our feelings were being mirrored by folks who are part of the media on a much larger scale than *Arizona Rider*. We watched Jay Leno's careful and respectful return to the airwaves on the Tonight Show. We saw that he and his crew, in their big studio, were weighing the same concerns and that we were in our little office... His late-night colleagues were equally perplexed. In a time when people are looking for comfort and commonality where they can, this was somehow reassuring to us. This is not meant as a selfish statement... but as yet another way to show how much Americans from all over the country have been forever affected by these terrible acts of war. And how citizens who are worlds apart in circumstances are more alike than would ever have been noticed or imagined in the days before 9/11/01.

In keeping with trying to get back to some semblance of order we will continue to do what we always try to do... distribute news of gatherings that bikers host and attend. We've seen, experienced, and shared these events for years... rightfully using words like Brotherhood, Family, and Community. But now we hope to achieve some balance between the new definition of 'normal' and our community's need to share their thoughts at a time like this.

We want people to remember – the victims, their families, the rescue workers, the images... *ALL OF IT*. Just as we share words of tribute to our Brothers and Sisters who have left us to take their long ride... and they are not forgotten. But we also join so many others who realize that life must go forward.

So, what you'll find here will be news, introspection, feelings, and opinions about what has happened... along with articles that would have been here if September 11, 2001 had been just another day on our calendars. Stories we first thought of as inconsequential to the big picture can perhaps after all be sustaining to us in this time of sadness, anger, and confusion. We can think of no more needy time than this to remember the importance of Brotherhood... Family... and Community... for bikers, and for the world as a whole.

Bruce & Betsy

more Patriot Ride photos ...



Remembering September 11, 2001

Patriot Ride Shows Bikers' Pride in USA

- reprinted from *Volume 3, Issue 11, November 2001*

The Patriot Ride took place on October 6 with riders gathering at the Wesley Bolin Memorial Plaza at 17th Avenue and Adams in Phoenix. They were bikes and trikes; all makes and models. 'Red, White, & Blue' was everywhere – on people and their rides. You could see that a lot of time and effort had gone into some of the decorating... plus there were some very patriotic paint jobs and looked pretty new.

The wide variety of people and types of scooters in attendance certainly demonstrated the patriotic spirit of the motorcyclists. CMA, EV HOG, GWRRA, Hacienda HOG, STAR, and VNV MC were among the groups represented, plus lots of independent riders. It was great to see the motorcycling community come together like this - and all on relatively short notice. Organizers W. Steven Martin and Barry Caraway {of Cyclerides.com} made the event happen in only a couple of weeks. The only notable problem at the staging area was no port-a-jons and a whole lotta people. Many thanks to the friendly folks at the AZ Mining & Mineral Museum for the use of their restroom facilities. There was steady traffic as people prepared to depart for the 50-mile ride. Side note FYI: The museum has some pretty interesting looking stuff and the tour is Free.

The goal of the Patriot Ride was to show Arizona and the Nation the patriotism of the motorcycling community, our support for the people of New York as they recover from the September 11 tragedies, and our Armed Forces.

W. Steven Martin commented that this may be the largest organized ride to take place in Arizona. Undocumented as it was, estimates ended up as high as 3700 riders. At takeoff, bikes were six deep, reportedly stretching to 10th Avenue. The 50-mile route went from the State Capitol out to Glendale, back to Scottsdale, then to Mesa, ending in the parking lot that serves W. Steven Martin's restaurant. Phoenix, DPS, and Mesa

officers escorted the Ride, including controlling traffic on and off of the freeways and at surface street intersections.

Before departure, Bruce was able to climb up on top of the Phoenix Fire Department Ladder Truck Number 1 for some good pictures. Thanks guys! Another vantage point behind the podium gave us a very heartwarming sight. We could see the people, fire truck, and a sea of bikes > 6 rows going back as far as we could see. The tunnel created by our city's certainly shorter office buildings was filled with bikes and sparkling chrome.

Bob Kahn, of the Phoenix Fire Department, recently returned from visiting the Twin Towers site, and was a speaker at the departure ceremony. He spoke of the destruction he'd seen at 'Ground Zero', the dedication and resolve of the firefighters and police officers he met in New York, and his promise to them that Arizona would not forget. "I can honestly think of nothing else that represents the American people and our way of life better than motorcyclists. Your sense of Freedom and Spirit will be shared for 50 miles representing our 50 United States. This ride will echo my promise to Truck #7 and to all of New York. We will not forget. Be safe, and God bless America."

Along with being a show of patriotic support, this ride was also a fundraiser for the Red Cross and other relief efforts. Bikers' generosity brought in more than \$15,000 to go toward the cause. This was a great event to be a part of, both as an American and as a Biker. Differences were on hold 'til another day. There was no disagreement on this day's theme > Pride and Love of Country.

Bruce & Betsy

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NCOM CONVENTION PUTS THE HEART IN AMERICA'S HEARTLAND

Hundreds of biker's rights activists from across the country gathered in America's Heartland to discuss strategies and hear status updates regarding key issues of importance to all concerned motorcyclists, as the NCOM Convention convened July 23-25, 2021 at the Holiday Inn - Airport in Des Moines, Iowa for a weekend of learning, sharing and camaraderie.

From First Aid to traffic stops, this year's NCOM Convention addressed legal, legislative and lifesaving topics, in-

cluding a featured presentation on "The Demise of Gas-Powered Vehicles" by the NCOM Legislative Task Force that explored existential threats to our sport and lifestyle.

Other informative seminars included "Insurance Law and the Big Fight" during the A.I.M. Attorney Conference along with a "Biker's View of the Law" talk by NCOM Public Relations Liaison Bill Bish, and "Protect Your Privacy & Probable Cause" by A.I.M. Attorney Joey Lester.

The Silver Spoke Awards Banquet honored Darrin Brook, Vice President of ABATE of Florida, with the Silver Spoke Award for Media; Michigan A.I.M. Attorney Dondi Vesprini for Legal, and in a stirring dedication, Boar, NCOM Board of Directors Club Liaison, presented the Ron Roloff Lifetime Achievement Award, NCOM's highest honor, to former EMS Dick "Slider" Gilmore, SOS for his lively and life-saving "Two Wheel Trauma" first responder presentations across the country over the years.

NCOM Board Chairman James "Doc" Reichenbach adjourned with a reminder that next year's NCOM Convention is scheduled for June 23-25, 2022 in Nashville, Tennessee, so check back at www.ON-A-BIKE.com

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SENATE PASSES HIGHWAY BILL WITHOUT MOST MOTORCYCLE PROVISIONS

The U.S. Senate passed their version of the Highway Bill 69-30 on August 10, a \$1.2 trillion 2,000+ page Infrastructure measure to rebuild the nation's deteriorating roads and bridges and fund new climate resilience and broadband initiatives, but lacking the motorcycle-friendly provisions of the previously-passed House version, including only the reestablishment of the Motorcyclists Advisory Council (MAC).

The House Highway Bill contains several key provisions benefiting motorcycle riders; such as expanding prohibitions on motorcycle-only checkpoints, prohibiting law enforcement activities that profile motorcycle operators, evaluating biker profiling by law enforcement, specifies that motorcycles must be considered in autonomous vehicle operation, allocates increased motorcyclist safety funding, and reauthorizes the MAC at the U.S. Department of Transportation.

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Typically, the Highway Bill would be taken up by a conference committee of both chambers to iron out any differences before sending a final compromise measure to the President for his signature or veto, but House Speaker Nancy Pelosi has indicated that they will not take up the bill until the Senate passes a separate, even more ambitious \$3.5 trillion social policy bill.

It could take months for Congress to pass both measures, if ever, but the current surface transportation bill expires on September 30 unless the deadline is extended.

FEDS LAUNCH BROAD INVESTIGATION INTO AUTOPILOT ACCIDENTS

U.S. regulators have launched the biggest investigation of Tesla's Autopilot software since the driving-assistance technology was introduced, investigating a string of collisions with emergency vehicles that resulted in numerous injuries and at least one fatality.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) announced its Office of Defect Investigations opened the official review on August 13 to look into 11 crashes across 9 states involving

Teslas hitting vehicles at "first responder scenes." An estimated 765,000 vehicles produced between 2014 and 2021, including every Tesla model, are covered in the investigation.

It will "assess the technologies and methods used to monitor, assist and enforce the driver's engagement with the dynamic driving task during Autopilot operation," NHTSA said. The investigation will assess the effectiveness of the system's "Object and Event Detection and Response" and circumstances under which Autopilot is designed to be functional.

The probe adds to the pressure on Tesla following a series of safety investigations in China this year and as regulators around the world grow increasingly concerned about nascent autonomous driving technology.

CALIFORNIA ADOPTS ANTI-PROFILING RESOLUTION

California's state Senate has passed Senate Resolution 41 by a vote of 39-0 on July 12 to "promote increased public awareness on the issue of motorcyclist profiling."

Introduced by state Senator Anna Caballero (D-Salinas), SR-41 "encourages

collaboration and communication between the motorcycle community and local and state law enforcement agencies to engage in efforts to end motorcycle profiling," and further "urges state law enforcement officials to include statements condemning motorcycle profiling in written policies and training materials."

Motorcycle profiling is defined as "the illegal use of the fact that a person rides a motorcycle or wears motorcycle-related apparel as a factor in deciding to stop and question, take enforcement action, arrest, or search a person or vehicle with or without legal basis under the Constitution of the United States."

VIRGINIA TO STUDY LANE-FILTERING

When House Bill 1236 to permit "lane-filtering" stalled last year on a 3-3 tied vote in subcommittee, Virginia Senator David Marsden (D-Fairfax Co.), chair of the Senate Transportation Committee, requested the state's department of motor vehicles to commission a stakeholder study on the possibility of motorcycle lane-filtering.

"Several meetings will take place

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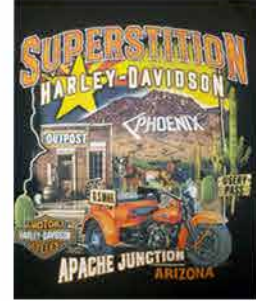
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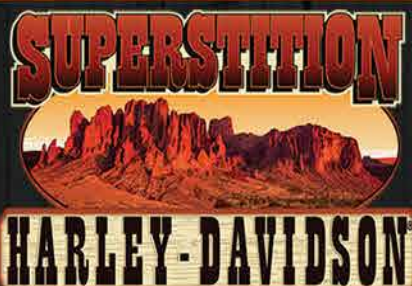
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between now and the end of the year, at which point the DMV will issue a report to Senator Marsden," said Scott Schloegel of the Motorcycle Industry Council (MIC) who will be participating in the study. "We're seeing more states taking an interest in what California has allowed for decades. Oregon's governor recently vetoed a bill to allow lane-filtering and not long ago, Montana's legislature passed a bill allowing it."

HB-1236 proposed to allow lane-filtering -- riding between cars -- when traffic is moving at 10 mph or slower and the riders are traveling at 20 mph or less.

"We hope the study will show that lane filtering is an accepted safe practice in not only a few states here, but also many countries in the rest of the world," observed John Bilotta, Operations Director for ABATE of Virginia and NCOM Board Member, in reporting on the study at the recent NCOM Convention in Des Moines.

STURGIS BIKE WEEK "BUSIEST IN YEARS"

After a dip in average attendance during 2020, due primarily to the COVID-19 global pandemic, the 81st annual Sturgis Motorcycle Rally has

been one of the busiest in recent memory, report officials at the event.

"There are more people here than in the 31 years I've been doing this," Meade County Sheriff Ron Merwin told the *Rapid City Journal*. Sturgis Public Information Officer Christina Steele said officials have heard the rally numbers could reach the 2015 record level of more than 700,000 attendees.

Public health officials have been raising Coronavirus-related concerns about the rally since before it started, particularly with the more contagious delta variant spreading across the U.S., but South Dakota Governor Kristi Noem (R), who rode to the rally, balked at the analysis, calling 'super-spreader' fears "fiction."

BAD DRIVING POST-LOCKDOWN

When the Coronavirus outbreak shut down the country last year, highways emptied out as many people holed up at home. But those who got behind the wheel engaged in riskier behavior, leading to the deadliest year for U.S. traffic crashes in over a decade.

Traffic data indicates the higher death toll was related to higher average speeds in conjunction with more of those on the roads driving under the influence of

drugs and alcohol and a slight decline in seatbelt use.

The outcome was grim. About 38,680 people died in vehicle crashes in the U.S. last year -- the highest number since 2007, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA). Despite fewer cars on the road, fatalities also increased among motorcyclists, bicyclists and pedestrians, even as the number of miles driven nationwide dropped by 13.2% compared to 2019.

In the end, traffic deaths nationwide in 2020 grew about 7.2%, and based on preliminary data from the first three months of this year, 2021 has the potential to be even worse.

The recent rise in speeding and deadly crashes has been seen in all regions of the country.

"Some of the drivers on the road seemed to feel traffic laws no longer applied during the pandemic because of the decrease in commuter traffic volume," said Sgt. Blake White, a spokesperson for the Colorado State Patrol.

As drivers have trickled back onto the highways, they've had to adjust to sharing space with others after a year

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of open roads. One result has been increased road rage and other aggressive behaviors; Sgt. White told CNN.

Preliminary data show the U.S. saw an estimated 9,420 traffic deaths during the first three months of 2021, according to the National Safety Council, up 10% over the same period in 2020 and up 12% compared to 2019.

FUEL PRICES SOAR OVER SUMMER

As Americans hit the road this summer, they are finding a nasty surprise: high gas prices.

According to Patrick De Haan, the head of petroleum analysis at GasBuddy, gas prices in some states are at their highest level since 2014, while others are at their highest since 2018.

The national average fuel price this August runs about \$3.18 per gallon -- 43% higher than this time last year.

The highest ever gas price average \$4.11 on July 17, 2008, according to AAA.

Gasoline demand is also nearing

pre-pandemic levels. But this year, the rise in gas prices doesn't just come from demand, the issue lies with a shortage of truck drivers.

California is reported to have the highest gas price across the nation, followed by Hawaii, Nevada, Washington and Oregon.

IMS NYC CANCELLED DUE TO COVID RESTRICTIONS

2020 was a strange and stressful year when most motorcycle shows were canceled. But if 2020 was the year of cancellation, 2021 has so far been a year of uncertainty, as this entire year has a caveat that events may be changed and/or canceled at any time.

CoViD strikes again, as the Progressive IMS Outdoors New York City stop will not be happening this year, as announced via Instagram and Facebook; "As a result of the state of New York's recent decision to enforce proof of vaccination and rapid testing for public events of scale, we have made the difficult decision to cancel the New York event."

It then goes on to say that International Motorcycle Show organizers believe that the other events on the 2021 schedule will remain intact, not because of anything to do with the virus but because their other venues have "less restrictive health and safety mandates."

QUOTABLE QUOTE:

"The greatest glory of a free-born people is to transmit that freedom to their children."

~ William Thomas Havard (1889-1956)
Welsh WWI military chaplain

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Community News

Share your news within AZ's Biker Community. Boast about a grand-baby. Extend congratulations, well wishes, or condolences. Send someone kudos for a promotion, announce an engagement, welcome your GI home.
You get the idea ☺

Happy Birthday in September to

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Happy Anniversary in September to

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and us - Bruce & Betsy
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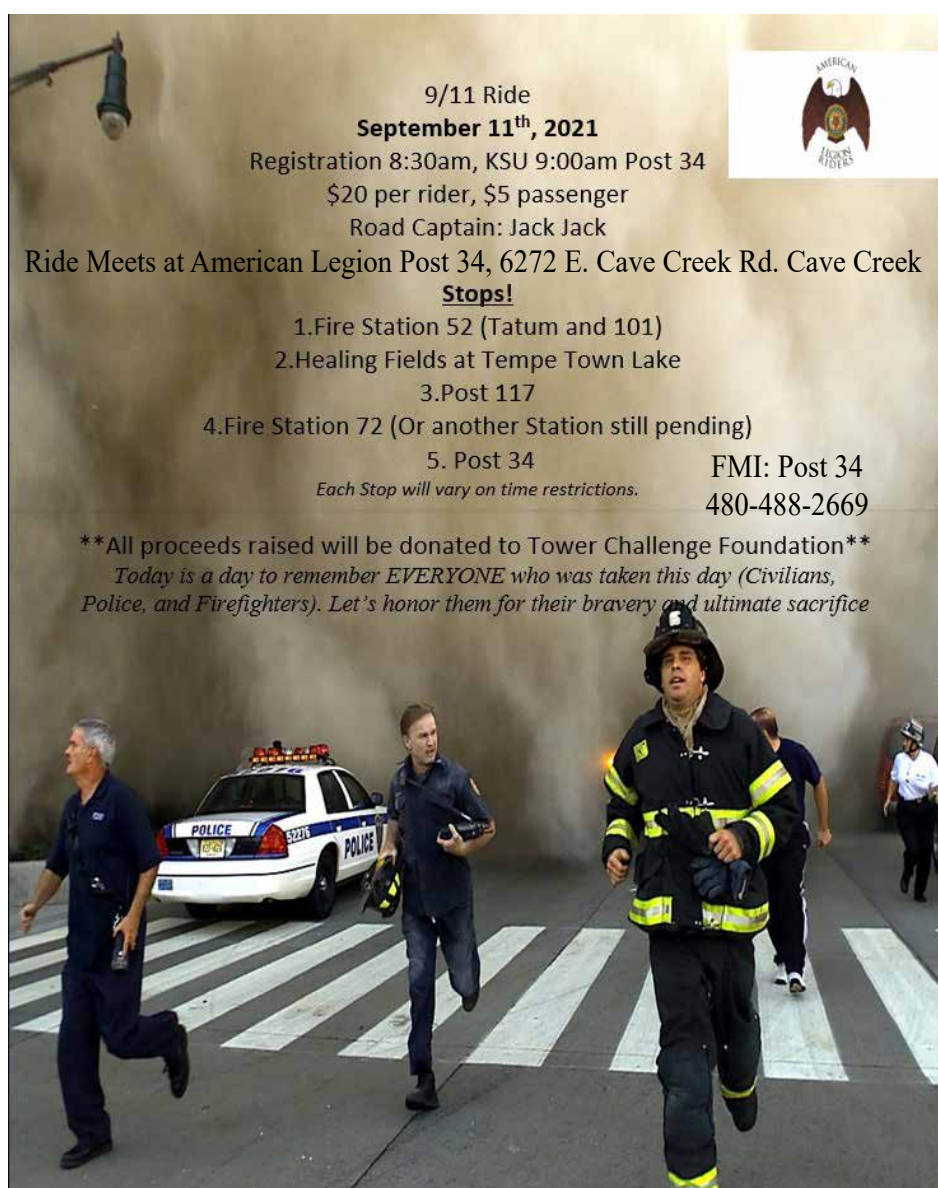
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Robert 'Big Dog Alley' Allen
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Ben 'ZZ' McLachlan ~ September 22, 2009
Patricia Fitzgerald ~ September 30, 2012
Carol Madden ~ September 22, 2015
Clinton Pennington ~ September 21, 2018
Miranda Diane Dostaler ~ September 24, 2019
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August 16, 2021 ... We received the news that Ray Huston passed away suddenly and unexpectedly. He was state lobbyist for MMA of AZ for many years and very active in the motorcycling community. He was also active with the Shriners; including participating in many local parades around the state as a member of the Shrine Motorcycle Unit.

There will be a celebration of Life held for Ray on Friday October 15 at El Zaribah Shrine {552 N 40th St, Phoenix}; starting at 6pm. Please RSVP to ipfxlive@gmail.com or JC Reece at harleyrider32@cox.net so they can have a head count for the gathering. Condolence cards can be sent to Tambria Huston at P.O. Box 1991 Sun City AZ 85372
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August 29, 2021 ... It's been announced by Andreanne DePape that her husband Chazz has passed away. "Thank you so much for the outpouring of love & respect for the incredible Chazzman. I lost the love of my life of 26 fantastic years. He was my rock, my everything! Chazz so loved his family & friends, was a WWII fighter pilot, Olympic trapshooter, Packard Porsche Mercedes Volkswagen car dealer and just loved life! Starting at the age of 16 his complete & absolute love of Harley-Davidson motorcycles began. He always said it kept the little boy alive in him. So my Chazzman - you better pick me up on your Harley when I see you next!"
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July 1, 2021 ... Recall
~ NHTSA Campaign #: 21V502000
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Wedding Memories

This feels a bit self-indulgent... But on the occasion of our 25th Wedding Anniversary we've been reflecting on that amazing day at the now historic ACMC Mountain Madness event.

Saturday September 21, 1996 we were at Sharp Creek Campground in Christopher Creek, near Payson.

How wonderful it was to walk up an aisle created by SO MANY motorcycles!

Pastor Cliff of the Christian Motorcyclists Association performed the ceremony. The sound of all the bikes firing up and revving when he declared Bruce & me to be Husband and Wife is a memory that we'll always hold in our hearts.

We were so appreciative that Fat George {Spartan Riders MC ~ RIP} of the ACMC {Arizona Confederation of Motorcycle Clubs} gave us clearance to hold the wedding that day, in that beautiful place.

We were wrapped in the camaraderie and good wishes of the Biker Community and carry memories of that weekend to this day which continue to make us smile.

Betsy & Bruce



Pastor Cliff with his wife Paula -- members of the Christian Motorcyclists Association



On the next page

you'll see the article we published for the Mountain Madness weekend that took place back in 2003. It was among the last of that event before being discontinued.

IN ITS PLACE ...

*the AZ Confederation of Motorcycle Clubs found a new location for their annual gathering and fundraiser. You can look forward to good times and camaraderie at the **Riot on the River** when it takes place in November at Gila River Park in Winkelman, AZ -- along the Gila River. Games, vendors, music, & more. The dates are November 5-7, 2021. The entry fee is \$20 per person or \$30 per couple. FMI: Bill Bracken 602-463-7886, billetldmc@gmail.com or Dale (Animal) Dedrick 480-593-1208, tinnerspres@yahoo.com*

One of the best ways to commemorate the end of summer is to attend the annual Mountain Madness campout hosted by the AZ Confederation of Motorcycle Clubs. This year's gathering was held Sept 19-21, again at the site just north of Christopher Creek on Colcord Rd.

Campsites were already at a premium by the time we arrived around 3pm Friday afternoon. Thanks, Kenny and Bruce, for saving us a spot!

After setting up our tent, we took a tour of the surroundings to see who was set up where and start saying hi. One of our favorite parts of this event is catching up with friends who we don't get to see very often.

Many people we observe are choosing to camp a little more comfortably these days. There are more motor homes and trailers mixing in with the tents...

It seemed like a lot more people came in Friday night than in years past. Even after dark there were more folks coming in, searching for a site.

Up in the main area, Live Wire took to the stage to entertain all, and quite a few of the vendors were open for shopping. At the ACMC drink booth, a very popular spot, there was also a shot bar with the money it raised going to help some special needs kids. The IOOB MC had fold up can cozies printed with Mountain Madness X on them which make excellent mementos while being very useful.

A lot of folks were enjoying campfires to help chase off the chill as temps dropped significantly after dark. It did get cold at night; but keep that in your packing plans and you'll be fine. After some more visiting, it was time to pack it in for the night.

Saturday, we had a good breakfast at Hog Heaven to get the day going and then took a view of the weekend itinerary... Bike Show reg from 11-12p, Show 12-2p, Games 2-4p, Dinner 5-7p, gun raffle drawing 8p with the band starting up after the announcements. On

artwork was by Jon Towle – the same fellow who did the Great Escape art.

The weather was fantastic... clear blue sky and warm {not Hot} in the day. The Fire Dept came in during the afternoon and put down some water to reduce the dust and that helped.

Side note on an important topic ... Whoever decided to bring in the Little Stinker portajons on Saturday to supplement those already onsite deserves a round of applause. The first batch from that other company just weren't gonna get the job done... {;o}

A dropped ball in the Games dept was picked up and handled by Puddin with backup from his Nomaden Int'l MC brothers. There weren't as many games as in years past but the ones that went off were fun to watch, and there



expressed their appreciation for the contestants.

On Sunday morning, we spoke with Don Gibson, a road captain for a club becoming introduced to the AZ community called Riders of Fire MC. We spoke with a few of their members during the weekend and they seem to be a good bunch... they are also firemen and EMTs. Cool. They manned the first aid station throughout the weekend. We learned that the station was not busy ~ always a good thing to hear. Who they did need to care for were not serious injuries; mostly bee stings from those little yellow buggers flying around... Some who we know were nailed are prone to very bad reactions to stings but they were well taken care of and no bad news there. Don did tell us of a rider who went down and ended up with a broken ankle and a fixable bike. Sounds like it could have been much worse. Get well soon.

We've been told repeatedly that AZ is unique in that



was good participation. Blind clothes line was won by Gene & D, Pig Shoot was won by Brent of the Spartan Riders MC, and Daddy's Home was won by Louie {pic below}, an Independent rider with the winning time of 32.21 seconds. In the Daddy's Home competition {similar to Honey I'm Home} – Lorie pulled a gender bender and recorded the second fastest time of the day at 34.11 seconds. There were 6 riders in an 'unofficial' {?} slow race ... with the winner being Randy of the Spartan Riders MC.

We noticed that even with all the people who were part of the activities - the games, bike show, etc that the camps we observed were still full of people. This was a great turnout. According to Fat George of the Spartan Riders MC, they had 1000 run pins and ran out.

Sat night Roadkill Mike & the Flat Cats were on stage to help carry the party late into the night. This is the 4th year they've played for the event.

Firemen from the local dept were there to monitor the bonfire to make sure the blaze didn't get out of



everyone gets along so well; the Patches among each other and the Clubs with the Independents. We see this is so, and it is certainly another reason why AZ is one of the best places anywhere for motorcycling. Other areas which do not enjoy this aspect of the riding community are missing out on something special.

If you haven't been to this event yet, what are you waiting for? It is one of the best gatherings Arizona offers. Here you can enjoy meeting a good mix of people from Clubs and Independents; all types of rides and riders. Mountain Madness is a last holdout, reminiscent of the old-style rallies, with no big-time, big-ticket promoter squeezing your wallet over the coals. It's designed for everyone to have fun and the ACMC delivered again this year.

We want to thank the ACMC for their hospitality and for all they do on behalf of Arizona motorcyclists. See you next time...

Meltdown & Fallout

Sunday morning there would be worship services offered at 9a for those who wished to attend.

Vendors appeared to be busy throughout the weekend. There were definitely more of them this year; at least double from last year and possibly as many as 40 when you count all the booths for food, information, Club support items, and other goodies. You could get patches, stitching, leather, cool gear, lots of tee shirts, and even a therapeutic massage. The folks at Custom Cycle Detail gave themselves the impossible task of trying to keep up with the dust that covered the bikes in the campground. We were thinking that they needed to be set up on Sunday on the main road out so the scoots would look good going home....

The event shirts look really good. They were being printed by Bobbi Sivil who, with both arms in casts, {a whole 'nother story...} was still busy churning them out. The original

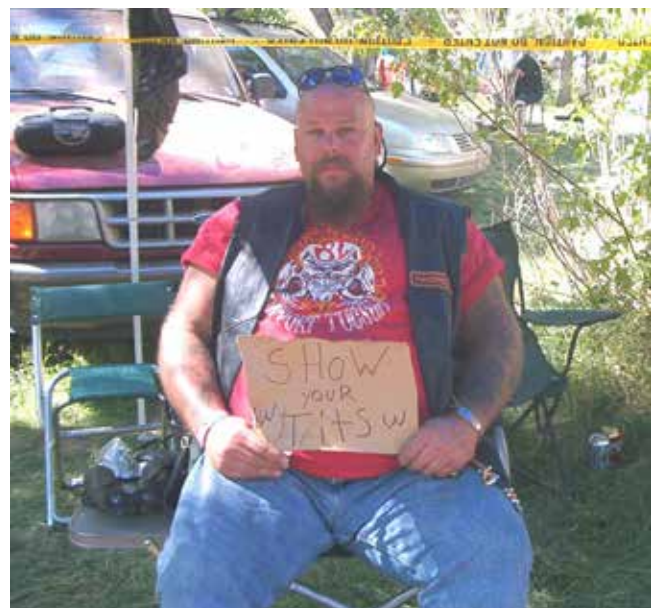


hand.

Lots of announcements from the bandstand included winners of the games which we already shared, and the awards for the bike show which was handled by the Tucson Chapter of the Red Devils MC. There were 40 bikes in the show in a variety of classes. Best of Show, Best Paint, and Best American Cruiser were each won by Cinder, of Hell's Angels MC and Dead End Custom Cycles in Snowflake, AZ. Best Trike or Sidecar went to Ed from Limey Riders MC. Best Non-Harley Clone was won by Mata of Southern AZ Harley Riders MC. Best Foreign Dresser was awarded to Kirk Smith and Best Foreign Cruiser to John Pandattan. Rick Getz won Best Harley Sportster. And I must apologize to Ron Seavers, as I know he won; but did not catch in what class his bike was entered. Congratulations to you all.

Winner of the Gun Raffle gift certificate was Jennifer Allen, and the 50/50 winner, Joe Barreras, collected \$824.

The fine form contest went on at the bonfire a little later in the evening. Across the night air, you could hear the very enthusiastic response from the spectators as they



Did You Know...? Tow Truck Drivers Can't Automatically Stop For You

It's probably happened to all of us at one time or another. The car or motorcycle breaks down & you need a tow. Aggravating but manageable. You call a service & they come get you. Right? Well, hopefully.

A friend of ours found herself in this situation. Her truck died and she got to the side of the road. BUT... here in Arizona we are all too aware of cell phone 'dead zones'. She was in one of these 'zones' and she couldn't make a call. A tow truck happened to come along and she waved it down. On the trip into town the driver commented that she was lucky she waved. After she shared her story with us, I called Michele of [Arizona Motorcycle Towing](#) and had a VERY informative conversation with her on this topic.

There you are ... on the side of the road needing help... in the heat... in the desert... and you can't get a call out. Some drivers are hesitant to stop. Hopefully they'll get into town & pass the word along that there's a stranded motorist out on the highway.

Now to add insult to injury... you see a tow truck rolling up the road. Woo Hoo!! Salvation! The driver can see you clearly. The truck has no load already on it. But he or she drives right on by. So now your thinking... WTF!!!!!!?

Did You Know that it is illegal for a towing company to stop for a disabled motorist? It is called 'soliciting business'. If the driver pulls over, they and/or the company can be ticketed. If you find yourself in this situation **YOU MUST WAVE THE DRIVER DOWN!** Then they can stop & render assistance.

While speaking with Michele she shared some other information that can be very helpful for people caught on the side of the road to know.

◆ Even if you can't get a phone call out, you MAY still be able to send a text. Get a text off to a friend who can get the 'rescue operation' underway.

◆ Call 911. Even if you can't get a phone call out in a 'dead zone', 911 reception usually works.

◆ If you are traveling in the HOV lane when you break down and have to pull off to the inside median, a tow truck cannot come in and pick you up. You have to be on the right-hand shoulder. NEVER try to cross the road on your own. Call 911 and explain that you are stuck in the median. DPS will come do a 'traffic break' to make way so you can safely push your vehicle to the right & off the road.

Here are some additional suggestions Michele offered:

► For couples who each have their own cell phone, use two different carriers. Sometimes one will work while the other won't.

► If DPS / LEOs stop to assist, you can tell them you want to call a certain provider, rather than who is next in their 'rotation'. You may need to be insistent, but they can do it. This is especially important when it is your motorcycle needing a tow. {Specialty cars... classics, customs, rear-wheel drive, etc. also have specific needs that a standard hook-style tow truck may be unable to handle.} So always keep the number of your favorite service with you.

► When you call your Roadside Service provider, you can tell them you want to call a certain provider, rather than who is next in their 'rotation'. Again, you may need to be insistent, but they can do it.

► You can call your favorite motorcycle or auto towing service from where you are stuck. Once the tow

is complete you can submit the paperwork to your Roadside Service provider for reimbursement.

If you do not have a Roadside Service you can call anyone to do the tow and pay them directly for it. If you leave the vehicle or do not have the money to pay someone to transport it, your vehicle will be towed to an impound yard where you'll need to pay the tow plus the associated impound fees. Then you still need to get it towed home or to a shop. That entails another round of fees. It can all add up fast. So it may be worth your while to look into Roadside Service providers.

While this didn't start out to be a commercial or a promotion, after what we learned it seems to be drifting that way. Some organizations, like AMA and AARP, offer coverage for both your motorcycles & autos, which is helpful in our community. Others carriers cover autos but charge extra for motorcycles. Michele added that Geico has a motorcycle-specific roadside coverage as does a company called Motorcycle Towing Services. Our AMA [American Motorcyclist Assn] membership includes Roadside. It's a pretty cool benefit, built in. It's something to research, to make the best choice for your needs. When considering coverage cost, keep in mind how many miles of travel are included per tow {you'll have to pay for any excess miles to your destination} and ask about what may be listed as "uncovered services".

None of us ever want to be in this type of situation, but if you are it's all good stuff to know.

Thank you Michele at [Arizona Motorcycle Towing](#) for your help with this article!

Betsy

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Sundays 2021 { 9/5, 9/19 }: Superstition HOG Chapter Ride starts at Superstition H-D - 2910 W Apache Trail, Apache Junction, AZ. 85120. Come ride with our HOG Members. Kickstands up at 7a. FMI: 480-346-0600

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Wednesdays in September: Superstition HOG Chapter Ride. Departs Superstition HD - 2910 W Apache Trail, Apache Junction 85120. Ride with our HOG Members. KSU 7am. FMI: SHD-HOG hotline 480-346-0626, main 480-346-0600, Info@superstitionhog.com | http://superstitionhog.com/



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9/10 {Fr} Free Wheelin Friday Bike Night @ AJ's Sports Grill, w/ Superstition HD. Ride with us or meet up there. KSU @6:15p. SHD - 2910 W Apache Trail, Apache Junction 85120. FMI: 480-346-0600

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9/11 {Sat} Rough Riders MC Longbow Chapter Five Year Anniversary Party. Starts 6pm at Roosters Country in Mesa. Details TBA. FMI: mcpherson6975@gmail.com

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9/18 {Sat} HOG Dogs at Superstition HD from 11a 'til gone. BITCHIN STITCHIN 10a-1pm. SHD - 2910 W Apache Trail, Apache Junction. FMI: 480-346-0600

9/18 The Americans Motorcycle Club hosts 7th annual White Mountains Toy Run. High-Low Poker Hands, Raffles, Bike Games, more. \$20+ Unwrapped New Toy/pp INCLUDES dinner & run shirt. Sign-in 9-10am at Show Low Motorsports - 1000 N. Automall Pkwy, Show Low. End Party at Avery's BBQ in Springerville, AZ. All toys stay local! Live music! Rooms at Rode Inn & Suites in Springerville! Reservations Call 928-333-4365. All Riders receive discount under The Americans M/C. FMI: Ugly 575-773-4387 & Leave A Message

9/18 {Sat} AZ Poker Run 4 Ovarian Cancer. Meet 8a at Indian Motorcycle of Peoria - 8546 W Ludlow Dr. KSU 9:30; wrap ≈ 2pm ?? This fundraiser is to raise awareness about Ovarian Cancer & help local women who are victims of it and their families. The last stop will have 50/50 Raffle, Music, Food, Local Vendors, & Information Booths. FMI: alex@mocacc.com

9/23 {Th} Bike Night @ Hitching Post w/ Superstition HD. Ride with us or meet up there. KSU 6:15p. SHD @ 2910 W Apache Trail, Apache Junction 85120. FMI: 480-346-0600

9/25 Loners MC 19th annual Bark at the Moon. {RESCHEDULED from 9/18} Register 4-6pm at The Edge, 4635 N. Flowing Wells Rd, Tucson, AZ. \$10/sgl, \$15/cpl. Live music, bike show, & more. FMI: Rabbit 520-977-8162 or Rumpy 520-425-4654

10/1-2 {Fr-Sat} MMA-AZ Camp 'n Jam Bike Rally @ DD Restaurant & Bar, 354 Johnson Blvd in Payson. Nightly bands 7-10pm, open mic each day 1-5pm. Bike games, vendors, gun raffle, & more. FMI: 928-478-4332

10/2 {Sat} Rough Riders MC Longbow Chapter 3rd East Valley Biker Rodeo. 11a 'til ? at the Lost Dutchman MC Queen Creek Clubhouse - 950 E Baseline, Apache Junction. Music, auction, raffles, food, & more. \$10/pp. Benefits Dogs 4 Vets. FMI: Blackout 910-261-9113

10/2 {Sat} Alzheimer Walk, Car & Motorcycle Show. Treasure Box Boutique, 300 W Apache Trail {corner of Phelps & Apache Trail} FMI: Kathy 480-239-5288

10/9 {Sat} 6 Shooter Poker Run hosted by the Lost Dutchman MC, Queen Creek Chapter. Independent riders welcome. Sign in @ Superstition HD, { 2910 W Apache Trail, Apache Junction 85120} from 10a-noon. \$20/sgl, \$30/2-up. Last stop QC clubhouse, by 4pm. Winner receives a Ruger Super Blackhawk .44mag. FMI: 602-505-8286

10/9 Bikers For Boobies <http://bikers4boobie-saz.org/>

10/9 Sun Riders MC 43rd Anniversary celebration from 5-11pm at clubhouse - 7251 S Cardinal Ave, Tucson. Live music from Exception. FMI: 520-312-8120 sunridersmc@hotmail.com

10/9 Classic Car & Bike Show, hosted by American Legion Post 35 in Chandler, AZ {2240 W Chandler Blvd} supporting Sons of the American Legion and Operation Shockwave. FMI: Jae 480 527-7577

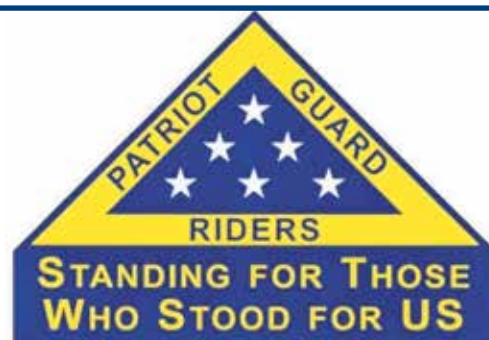
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Run Calendar

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10/10 {Sun} 11-Mile Corner Swap Meet at Pinal County Fairground, Casa Grande {512 N 11-Mile Corner Rd}. Vendors 1st come 1st served: \$40/20x15space. Setup 6am. All bike brands welcome. Opens to public 8am. Admission \$5 [kids under 12 free]. Sponsored by Law Tigers. FMI: MJ 480-209-8521

10/15 {Fr} Ray Huston's Celebration of Life, from 6-9pm at El Zaribah Shrine, 552 N 40th St, Phoenix. Rayman was active in the motorcycle community for many years, he was a state Lobbyist for MMA. He was very active in Masonry and Shriners, helping his community and people. He is also a Viet Nam Veteran, Purple Heart recipient and helped many Veterans to get or increase their benefits. Please RSVP to harleyrider32@cox.net or ipfxlive@gmail.com

10/15-16 {Fr-Sat} Run to the Rez #18, San Carlos AZ & Apache Gold Casino. Veterans Honor Run, concert, poker run, bike show, & more. Sponsors include Superstition HD. NOTE: tent & RV camping only at AGC, no rooms. FMI: johnrezrider@yahoo.com ; https://www.runtotherez.com ; 928-475-2932, 928-961-6002

10/15-17 {Fr-Sun} ShineToberfest - Moonshine Festival & Chili Cook Off at Saddle Sore Ranch, on Old Rt 66 {Oatman Hwy} between mile markers 36&37, Golden Valley. Prizes for best moonshine and chili. Games, scavenger hunt, nightly campfire parties, music, & more. Free vendor & swap meet space. Ride-In motorcycle a& rat rod show on Saturday. Tickets & info at www.Shinetoberfest.com

10/23 Hooked on Healing Veterans Ride. Benefits Project Healing Waters Fly Fishing & the AZ Patriot Guard Riders. Register 8:30am at Desert Wind HD, 922 S. Country Club Dr.; Mesa. Poker Run, Auctions, & more. \$25/sgl, \$10/passenger. FMI: HealingVets.org

10/30 Spartan Riders MC Spaghetti Feed. Starts 5pm at clubhouse 2218 N 24th Pl Phoenix. \$10/pp all-you-can-eat spaghetti. Enjoy live music. FMI: n/a

11/5-7 ACMC's Riot on the River, Winkelman, AZ. \$20/sgl, \$30/cpl. FMI: Bill Bracken 602-463-7886, billetldmc@gmail.com or Dale (Animal) Dedrick 480-593-1208, tinner-spres@yahoo.com

11/13 {Sat} Gettin Down in the Desert with Old Bastards MC, from 1-5pm. Ride to Raceway B&G [520-568-0800] in Maricopa {49237 W Papago Rd} to benefit Best Buddies of AZ. \$10/sgl, \$15/2-up.

11/13 They Fought We Ride Phoenix Wounded Vet Run. Starts 9am @ H-D of Scottsdale [15656 N Hayden Rd] w/ Breakfast, Raises money & awareness for Combat Wounded Veterans in AZ. FMI: www.theyfoughtweride-national.com/ info@theyfoughtweride.org

12/4 {Sat} 6th annual Troll's Teddy Bear Run to collect stuffed animals for the Family Advocacy Centers, local PDs, and First Responders of the East Valley. FMI: 360-451-1795, trolls-bikerworld@gmail.com

12/4 Loners MC annual Toy Run meets at Bullion Plaza Cultural Center, 150 N Plaza Cir, Miami, AZ. Departs at Noon. FMI: Lock-out 781-727-9287

12/4 Red Iron MC Christmas Toy Run. Pancake Breakfast at Huachuca City Fire Station at 9:30 and then motorcycle parade to Buddy's Bar { 520-456-1511, @ 119 AZ-82, Huachuca City} at noon. \$10 entry or new unwrapped toy.

2022
2/18-20 {Fr-Sun} Lake Havasu Rockabilly Reunion www.TheRockabillyReunion.com

4/20-24 {Wed-Sun} Route 66 Bike Week FMI: FMI: Rob@BikerAtlas , Call or text 424-322-0505, http://route66bikeweek.com/

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