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Hello AriZona Riders! and Happy 25th Anniversary to AZ Rider Motorcycle News!

I've been reflecting on these past 25 years of AZ Rider.

After that many Anniversary articles, there probably isn't much that I can say here that hasn't already been said

All the feelings of appreciation expressed over time remain as strong today as ever... toward our Ad-



vertisers and toward you Readers. It has been an amazing quarter-century.

Summer is winding down and the calendar is filling up. Wherever your front wheel takes you this month I wish you safe travels and good times. 'bye for now ©

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Veterans First was co-hosted by Aint Nick's Tavern and Riding4Vets. This was their 4th annual event. The ride started & ended at Aint Nick's, located at 6840 N. 27th Ave, Phoenix.

This is a Photo Hunt Run. In this case, each stop had a flag, representing one of the branches of US military service. Stops were at Jimbo's Sports Bar in Glendale; Neighbor's Bar in Peoria; Beaver Bar in Phoenix; and VFW Post 9400 in Phoenix.

Somewhere between 40-50 people showed up in support of the event. There was a lower % of riders this time; but then again it was a daytime ride, in July, in Phoenix. For those who didn't ride but wanted to take the trip, the party bus took them to each checkpoint. Others just stayed at Aint Nicks, made their donations, & bought into the raffles. It's all good & went to the cause.

Riders took a picture / selfie with the message, "Thank you to who all came out

The Sweat for the Vets fundraiser for flag at each stop then returned to Aint Nick's. The afternoon party included raffle drawings and announcement of the winners. Music was provided by the sound system at Aint Nick's. Once all the participants were back & verified their photos, those who completed the run earned a ticket toward the grand prize. Grand prize for the run was a shooting table donated by a veteran and a \$200 HD gift certificate donated by the Hemp Foundation.

One of the raffle items was body armor graciously donated by State 48 Plates Body Armor (a Veteran-owned company in the East Valley). Raffles were also donated by 5.11 Tactical in Phoenix, Vacay-Cowboys Clothing Company in Phoenix, Rebel Reaper Clothing in Phoenix, Cider Corps Cidery in Mesa, Ride Now Powersports, and Remember The Name Promotions of Phoenix.

Afterwards, Ain't Nicks posted this

for the Sweat For Vets ride! Another successful fun year!! Cannot wait to see the turnout for next." Riding4Vets commented, "We want to THANK EVERYONE who showed up, supported and came to help and give to a great cause this past weekend!!! We were able to raise and donate a generous gift \$3,500 to help an agency that can make changes in a Vet/ Veterans lives."

Since 2003, the mission of Veterans First has been, "Preventing homelessness and stabilizing lives by providing advocacy, programs, services, and referrals for all Veterans, with special emphasis on Senior, Disabled, and Women Veterans, including their families." Learn more about Veterans First via their website, https://veteransfirstltd.org/

My thanks to Sam Curry, Secretary for Riding4Vets, for helping with this report.



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Norman Blakey specializes in helping people to prepare their final paperwork.... Wills, Trusts, and the like. Who needs a Will or Trust, you might ask? Isn't that sort of stuff just for people with lots of money & property? In conversing with Norman, it became apparent that there is so much more to consider, and that people from all walks of life have circumstances that will be affected by the decisions they make ... Or don't make.

So Who should have a Will or Trust? Basically, anyone over the age of 18 years should at least be thinking about one. The idea is to have important decisions made and recorded beforehand, so that they are already in place to protect you if they are ever needed.

Our sport of motorcycling is inherently risky. While no one likes to think about it.... We all realize that something bad can happen. That breakfast ride goes horribly wrong and now everything changes in a heartbeat... For yourself and for your loved ones. If we haven't been through this scenario ourselves... chances are that we know someone who has.

If you've survived that wreck... who is the person making decisions for you while you are incapacitated? That's right.... estate planning isn't only about what happens AFTER you die. Norman can help you address those 'front end' issues and prepare Advance Directive documents such as Medical and Financial Powers of Attorney and Living Wills. Who would you trust to keep your bills paid? Or entrust to make medical decisions on your behalf?

If the worst happens and some situation claims your life, what is your family facing? Your loved ones are already grieving your passing. It is a mind-numbing sensation. Giving them clear-cut instructions as to your final wishes answers some of those tough questions. What would she have wanted? How would he have handled this?

I recall a horrible hospital waiting room scenario with a dear friend who had just received the news that her husband was dead. Here come the administrators pressuring her about organ donations, as time is of the essence in that situation. She was in no condition to respond ~ but she had to choose.... Because he had not. A loved one can be protected from that... with a piece of paper.

It was astonishing to hear examples of the types of legal issues that can come up when someone dies or is incapacitated. There are needs & considerations special to blended families, young families with minor children, estranged family members, and more. If your closest living relation is someone you can't stand... Do you want them in charge of making your choices... simply due to lineage? Wouldn't you rather have a say-so? You CAN with a piece of paper!

Norman explained what a person's Estate Plan is, in an interesting way. He called it your arrangements on behalf of your Future Self. Estate Planning is an umbrella of sorts. The term encompasses that variety of paperwork designed to protect your wishes and your loved ones... including avoiding probate and



any potential tax consequences to beneficiaries.

Either YOU choose how your Estate is handled or the state will ...aka Probate. There likely isn't one among us who hasn't heard nightmare stories about THAT. Do you really want to do that to your loved ones? By choosing NOT to choose, you sentence your Dear Ones to Probate Court and likely some frustrating, time-consuming, & expensive months if not years of ... to put it bluntly... cleaning up after you.

Having observed the legal difficulties of friends who have lost a loved one gave Norman the inspiration to pursue & focus on this area of the law. He enjoys working with people and giving them some peace of mind. Paired with that is a desire is to help lessen the legal strain on already stressed and bereaved families. To that end, he added more than 2 years to his law schooling, in classes specific to this field; gaining specialized credentials that include Master of Laws in Taxation with an Estate Planning Certificate.

I've heard some people comment that, once they are gone, they don't much care how their stuff is distributed. Do you have no kin you like? Are you the last of your family? Do you own a business? Think about the various motorcycle charity rides you've participated in over the years. Any one of them would appreciate being your beneficiary, whether it be in a modest or large amount. Norman can help you set that up too.

SO ... Now you've decided you want to create an Estate Plan. What are the steps? It all starts with a conversation. That conversation can take place in person or via Zoom. If you prefer an in-person meeting, there are four offices of the Brown & Hobkirk, PLLC Law Firm to choose from; located in Scottsdale, Phoenix, Chandler, and Peoria. You can also plan a meeting at your home if you are in the Phoenix-Metro area or at a centrally convenient location.

In this way, Norman can help you to define what you see as your Legacy. He explains... There are two components to your Legacy: Personal and Financial. What do you want people to remember about you? Do you hope to leave a positive impact on the world and/or those around you? Then, there is the dissolution &/or distribution of any financial or personal assets you may have. These can be large... such as a home,

business, or vehicle, or making sure that certain family heirlooms reach the right person.

Of course... there are websites with cookie-cutter forms that you can try to DIY all this stuff. If you want to read through all the legalese, then hopefully figure out which forms are right for you based on the state you live in & your circumstances. But when your time comes, who will be there for your Family? Who will be the one to guide them through those most difficult days? The online Chatbot? No thank you!

Norman helps you to design exactly what you need for your wishes. He will be the one to interact with your Executor once you pass. One visit with him will set most anyone at ease to know that these meetings will be in caring hands.

These are very sensitive, emotional, & potentially uncomfortable topics. It can be intimidating to discuss these things. Norman Blakey strikes me as a person with whom you could have such a conversation. In the time I have spoken & worked with him; the person I've met seems easygoing, personable, compassionate, easy to talk to, and genuine in his hope to help guide individuals to prepare for what is undoubtedly one of the most difficult and vulnerable times in their lives.... impending Death.

Realizing the range of readership that these pages enjoy; some of you are outside of Norman's particular territory. That being said, there is no doubt that wherever you are, this is a highly important task to undertake.

Having decisions like these documented before you pass is like a final gift that you are leaving for your survivors. You are telling them that you care enough about them to have these things settled & organized on their behalf. Yet, statistics say that only about 33% of Americans have some sort of Estate Plan in place.

There can be much to consider... But it doesn't have to be overwhelming. Norman can help you review the 'what if' questions that a knowledgeable, caring professional can bring to this conversation - some of which you may never have thought of. Recognizing that each person's needs are different, much of his work is billed on a 'flat fee' basis; charging only for services that you need and use.

Only YOU know exactly what you have and how you truly feel about what happens after you pass. From tangible, physical assets to more intangible topics such as your funeral arrangements ... Shouldn't YOU be in charge of these decisions?

Even once you embark on your Long Ride, you can be assured that your wishes will be fulfilled IF you plan ahead of time. Let <u>Norman Blakey</u> help you to determine what those wishes are and how best to protect them.

Norman can be reached at the <u>Brown & Hobkirk PLLC Law Firm</u>. Call 480-685-4036 or email norman@brownhobkirk.com

He is also available to present a seminar on this subject to your organization.

Community News

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Robert 'Big Dog Alley' Allen ~ September 28, 2006

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Erle Armstrong was a leading Class A racing star in the 1910s who later went on to become the beloved patriarch of Indian Motocycle Company. He worked for Indian, either directly or indirectly, for most of the 50-year history of the company. He was one of the diehard loyalists who tried in vain to keep the company going in its final days in the mid 1950s. Armstrong was also a Vaudevillian motorcycle stunt rider, building a special "Silodrome" and traveling with various riding partners, putting on shows in theaters across the country.

Born in southern Illinois on April 5, 1888, Armstrong was the son of a mining engineer and his family moved to Colorado when he was 10. Armstrong became Colorado State bicycling champion at the age of 16. It was about this time that he became interested in motorcycles. His purchased his first machine, an Orient, in 1904.

In 1906, Armstrong took a job making 30 cents per hour as a mechanic for a Denver Indian dealership. He worked 10 hours a day, six days a week, to be able to afford to race. Armstrong became one of the best racers in the Denver area. He cut his teeth racing in Denver on the board track at Tuileries Park. He won his first race in 1906 and was dubbed "Red" for his brightly colored hair.

In 1907, a famous incident happened to Armstrong. He was racing in Denver and a girl who felt Erle had scorned her was determined to take revenge on him. She stood trackside waiting for the motorbikes to pass. When Erle came by the girl threw a broomstick into Erle's front wheel and sent him crashing to the ground.

A year later, Earl gave up the risky single life when he met and married the former Maude Miller of Denver.

By 1909, Armstrong built enough of a

AMA Hall of Fame Inductee: Erle Armstrong

reputation to become a factory rider for Indian. This was the beginning of a nearly life-long association with the Springfield, Massachusetts-based manufacturer. Armstrong raced for Indian in many of the top races of the day, such as the Dodge City 300, but most of his fame was earned on the numerous board tracks across the country.

His biggest victory came on the boards in a 300-mile champion-ship race in Tacoma, Washington, in August of 1915. He won that race in record-breaking time over a star-studded field that included Harley-Davidson rider Otto Walker and fellow Indian star Don Johns.

By 1915, Armstrong gave up the dangerous board-track racing circuit and began a short-lived career as a stunt rider. Armstrong built a special "Silodrome," a large barrel built with wood slats so that spectators could watch from any angle. Setting up the Silodrome in theaters and dubbing the show "The Whirl of Death," Armstrong and another rider would ride in the small cylinder doing various stunts. The act became so popular that Armstrong was asked to perform the show (with a much larger

cylinder) during the Pana-

ma-Pacific Exhibition held in San Francisco in 1915. His wife often rode in the show on a specially-built tandem motorcycle.

As World War Lapproached Armstrong

As World War I approached, Armstrong took a full-time position with Indian. His first assignment for the company was running an Army motorcycle training facility at Fort Sill, Oklahoma. Armstrong would continue to do military and police training for Indian throughout most of the 1920s.

In 1919, Armstrong was a sidecar passenger in an ill-fated cross-country record attempt with the legendary Cannonball Baker. The two were stopped in the Midwest by heavy rains that turned the roads into muddy quagmires.

Armstrong opened an Indian dealership in Worcester, Massachusetts, in 1927, and ran it until 1940. During this period, he formed the Armstrong Roamers Motorcycle Club and served as president of the New England Motorcycle Dealers Association. The club put on many AMA-sanctioned events, including races. Armstrong entered his final race in 1931 at the age of 43. He also captained a motorcycle polo team in the early 1930s. One of his teammates was legendary New England racer Woodsie Castonguay.

Tragedy struck the Armstrong family in 1930 when Erle's oldest son Bob, an AMA hillclimbing champion, drowned in a boating accident.

After closing his dealership in 1940, Armstrong became production manager for Indian. He remained with the company until its final days. A fervent Indian loyalist, Armstrong, along with several other Indian enthusiasts, tried in vain to keep Indian alive.

In retirement Armstrong, nicknamed Pop, kept the history of Indian and the old Class A racing days alive. He frequently gave talks on his racing days to various motorcycling enthusiast groups.

Armstrong failed to recover from a diabetic coma and died on April 29, 1978, fittingly in Springfield, the home of his beloved Indian.

The <u>AMA Motorcycle Hall of Fame Museum</u> is located at 13515 Yarmouth Drive in Pickerington, Ohio 43147. You can also learn about more of the <u>AMA's Motorcycle Hall of Fame Inductees by clicking here.</u>

"Red" and "Bob" Armstrong Indian Dealers at Worcester



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2024 Sturgis Motorcycle Rally Final Vehicle Count

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STURGIS, S.D. – August 14, 2024 ... The South Dakota Department of Transportation (SDDOT) has tallied the final count for vehicles entering Sturgis for the 84th Annual Sturgis Motorcycle Rally, which ran from Aug. 2-11, 2024. The final daily traffic counts at the nine locations entering Sturgis for the 2024 Rally are as follows:

Friday, Aug. 2, 2024: 51,179 vehicles entered

(Down 1.5% from the previous five-year average)

Saturday, Aug. 3, 2024: 55,127 vehicles entered

(Down 2.3% from the previous five-year average)

Sunday, Aug. 4, 2024: 52,182 vehicles entered

(Down 12.7% from the previous five-year average)

Monday, Aug. 5, 2024: 55,971 vehicles entered

(Down 5.1% from the previous five-year average)

Tuesday, Aug. 6, 2024: 54,451 vehicles entered

(Down 5.2% from the previous five-year average)

Wednesday, Aug. 7, 2024: 52,878 vehicles entered

(Down 3.6% from the previous five-year average)

Thursday, Aug. 8, 2024: 50,053 vehicles entered

(Up 1.1% from the previous five-year average)

Friday, Aug. 9, 2024: 44,671 vehicles entered

(Down 0.5% from the previous five-year average)

Saturday, Aug. 10, 2024: 34,583 vehicles entered

(Up 1.7% from the previous five-year average)

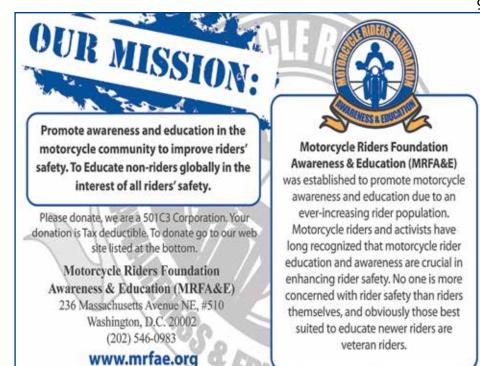
Sunday, Aug. 11, 2024: 19,892 vehicles entered

(Down 5.1% from the previous five-year average)

2024 Total Vehicles Entered: 470,987 Vehicles

Previous Five-Year Average: 488,720 Vehicles

Once compiled, a full report (including traffic counts across the greater Black Hills area) will be available on the SDDOT website at https:// dot.sd.gov/transportation/highways/traffic during the week of Aug. 19, 2024.



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Shriners Ride for Kids!

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Most people think of Shriners as the guys in funny hats and tiny cars riding in parades with clowns, but don't know much else about them. First of all, every bit of that is true. They do don silly hats called a Fez. They sometimes dress up as Clowns and they are those guys riding in little cars in parades; but that's not all you get. There's more, much more! Arguably the coolest Shriners are on motorcycles raising money for kids.

Here's a little history: Shriners International is a fraternity that was formed by Masons Walter Fleming, M.D., and theatrical actor Billy Florence way back in 1870; based on the tenets of Freemasonry but with the added elements of fun and fellowship. They thought it would be cool to have an Arabic-themed fraternity; so, they chose to don funny Fez headgear, named after the city of Fez, Morocco. It serves as an outward symbol of membership in the fraternity. 154 years later, Shriners are now a worldwide fraternity that has established a globally-recognized pediatric specialty health care system. Shriners Children's Hospitals treats kids at No-Cost who are suffering from orthopedic issues, birth deformities, injuries, and musculoskeletal diseases. They also provide kids treatments that are suffering with burn injuries, cleft lip and palates, and spinal issues such as scoliosis.

Shriners' main goal, besides just having fun, is raising money to provide kids in need treatments at their 22 hospitals in the United States. If there's not a Shriners hospital nearby, your local Shriners will provide transportation and lodging for the kids and their families while being treat-

There are over 200 Shriner temples, or chapters, in the United States and internationally, and most every Shrine has a motorcycle unit who participates in spreading the word about raising money for the kids' Shriners hospitals. They do this by riding in parades with a precision drill team, riding Big Bikes in little circles dodging horse poop, and by creating funfilled events to raise money for the kids being treated at Shriners Children's Hospitals.

The Phoenix, Arizona El Zaribah chapter of the Shrine was Chartered in 1896; way before Arizona officially became a state. The head of each local Shrine has a leader, or Potentate who is elected every year. In 2024 Darrell Mandrell was the head guy with the funny bedazzled Fez at El Zaribah - which by the way means "Hunter's Paradise" in Arabic. The President of the El Zarabah Shrine Motorcycle Unit is Robb Marquis. He decided this year that it would be a fantastic fund-raising idea to plan a Springtime ride and it became a big deal real fast. The entire motorcycle community in the area all rallied behind the Shriners to participate and donate in a ton of ways to help the Shriners kids.

The inaugural 'Shriners Ride For Kids!' event was held Saturday April 13, 2024. It was conceived to be more than a ride, but

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something special for the community and have a good time in true Shriners form. Justin Umbs, owner of Superstition Harley-Davidson in Apache Junction got early word of the event and immediately jumped on board providing his dealership as a venue for the ride destination and event.

Easyriders Magazine sponsored the bike show. Tons of killer bikes by local builders showed up to support the kids and show off their 2-wheeled craftsmanship; with a chance to win a 'Babe and Bike' feature in the world's finest motorcycle magazine for men. Easyriders honchos came out in person and brought out February 2024 Easyriders cover model Cassie Loza to autograph magazines and pose with



Entertainment was emceed by the infamous Tumbleweed, who has become a staple behind the mic at events all over the west and Sturgis; keenly keeping the show moving with his wit and even a little blues harmonica, jamming along with Music by the Black Hole.

Superstition Harley-Davidson provided a beer garden to wet your whistle and food trucks were on site to satisfy the gastronomical appetites of the riders that traversed the backroads on a 45-mile scoot escorted by the Widows Sons Masonic Riders Association through the beautiful Sonoran Desert; from the Phoenix Shrine, north along scenic Saguaro Lake and winding up in Apache Junction. There, epic views of the monumental Superstition Mountains, home of the infamous Lost Dutchman's mine, were in full view on this splendid Arizona afternoon.

Pre-registered riders received ride T-shirts, Pins, and a ride patch. They were greeted at the end of the ride with gift bags by key sponsors Toro Insurance Group, Law Tigers motorcycle lawyers and many others that joined in to make the inaugural event an overwhelming success.

You can see the Shriners Ride for Kids! bike show winner Greg Bakel's 1952 Panhead

in the August issue of Easyriders. There were 9 classes of bikes that won amazing custom trophies artfully sculpted by the guys at Dean Speed Customs. They will surely be prized and cherished by all bike show winners.

The most incredible thing about this whole day of fun with the Shriners Motorcycle Unit at the "Shriners Ride for Kids!" was the fact that 100-percent of all the thousands of dollars raised went to treat the kids at Shriners hospitals. That's a lot of fun, and a lot of love from the Phoenix biker community. It's also a great reason to come out and join the El Zaribah Shriners Motorcycle Unit for the Second Annual "Shriners Ride for Kids" event; coming April 12th, 2025. I'll see you there!

In the meantime, if you know of any kids needing help with any of the issues that Shriners Children's Hospitals treat, call (800) 237-5055 for urgent care or use the online appointment request form at https://www.shrinerschildrens.org/en/ contact-us.

Keep the rubber side down!

Pulverizer



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Superstition HOG Chapter Rides start at Superstition H-D - 2910 W Apache Trail, Apache Junction, AZ. 85120. Come ride with our HOG Members. Meet times change depending on season. Watch SHOG calendar. FMI: 480-346-0600, https://www.superstitionhog.com/calendar

2nd Saturdays: Bike Nite at VFW Post 1433 {phn 623-934-2152}, at 7618 N 63rd Ave, Glendale. Hosted by Veterans MC AZ 7p-close. Karaoke, kitchen, bar, dart boards, pool tables, & more.

1st Sundays: Roosters Bar & Finn's Mainstreet Motorcycles host Saddlebag Sundays. Starts 2pm at Roosters, 3731 E Main, Mesa. No cover, live music, complimentary food. FMI: 480-985-4088, 480-357-7595

2nd Sundays: ABATE-AZ Phoenix Chapter meeting. 12:30pm at VFW Post 1433, 7618 N 63rd Ave, Glendale. Post opens at noon. FMI: text 480-768-8747

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

Last Sundays: Desert Thunder MC cooks up breakfast 8-11am @ the Thunder Dome, 3137 W. Virginia Ave, Phoenix. \$5/plate. FMI: desertthundermc87@gmail.com

2nd & 4th Tuesdays: Desert Thunder MC hosts an Open House @ the Thunder Dome, 3137 W. Virginia Ave, Phoenix from 6-11pm. No cover charge. Dinner available \$7. FMI: desertthundermc87@gmail.com

4th Tuesdays: ABATE-AZ Yavapai Chapter meeting ~ 6:30pm at VFW Bucky O'Neill Post 541, 202 N Arizona Ave; Prescott 86301. FMI: Timothy, 360-720-3465 tntblaster@netzero.net

Wednesdays: Verde Valley Bike Night 6-10 at the Robbers Roost Sports Grill, 1160 S Page Springs Rd, Cornville. Live Music, vendors, cigar bar, food & drink specials, & more. FMI: 928-466-8366

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

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9/7 {Sat} Black & White Night with Cochise Riders MC at PC's Lounge, 4700 AZ-90, Sierra Vista AZ. \$5 cover, live music, food available. FMI: 520-515-3333

9/13 {Fri} Summer Sundowner with Desert Thunder MC 7pm-? @ the Thunder Dome, 3137 W. Virginia Ave, Phoenix. 3 category show: Bike, truck, sedan/coupe w/ 1st place trophy for each. (If you're showing, plz arrive by 6pm). DJ Shrek; Food by Green Bean Cuisine (Irish - Mex); Professional stunt show. FMI: desertthundermc87@gmail.com

9/14 {Sat} 5th annual Down Biker Fundraiser hosted by Bikers For Christ and Sun Riders MC at SRMC clubhouse, 7285 S Cardinal Ave, Tucson. Everyone welcome – from baggers to knee draggers. Free admission. 11a-3pm. Bike show & family fun. Meal available \$10/adult, \$5/child. FMI: Gus 520-254-2599, or sunridersmc@hotmail.com

9/14 Estafeta Poker Run. \$20/pp. Sign-in at Circle K at 360 E. Patagonia Hwy Nogales AZ. Last stop Tacos & Tarros, Nogales, AZ 520-415-0037

9/14 10th annual White Mountains Toy Run hosted by The Americans MC. Sign-in 9-10a @ Big Lake Tackle & Supply, F8 Rd 8115 store front, Greer, AZ. \$25/pp+ unwrapped new toy includes dinner & run shirt. End of run @ American Legion, 15 E Main, Springerville. All toys stay local. High/low poker hands, bike games, raffle, & more. FMI: Ugly 575-773-4387, 928-864-7859

9/14 Duane Ellsworth AL Post 129 Dice Run & Concert. Sign-in at CycleGear in Queen Creek. Last stop Horseshoe Park & Equestrian Centre, 20464 E Riggs Rd, Queen Creek. FMI: https://www.facebook.com/Queen-CreekLegionPost129

9/14 Rescue Riders MC Bike Bash at Shooters Saloon (520-322-0779), 3115 E Prince Rd, Tucson. Opens 4pm. \$20/pp with meal, \$10/without. Benefits 'That Others May Live Foundation'. Vendors, live music, & more.

9/20-21 {Fr-Sat} Sho Ryders MC Phoenix 16th Anniversary. 9/20 Meet & Greet 8pm at ALMA MC Clubhouse, 1050 N Eliseo Felix Jr Way, Avondale. 9/21 Annual Dance 8pm

@ Soul Brothers MC Clubhouse, 1115 W Buckeye Rd, Phx. \$10/Colors, \$20/civilians, Prez & VPs free, Ladies free b4 10pm. FMI: info@shoryders.com

Motorcycle Clubs
Are NOT Street Gangs

9/21 {Sat} Rough Riders MC Longbow Chapter hosts their 6th annual East Valley Biker Rodeo. Proceeds benefit veterans charities. There will be food, cold beer & biker games! Noon – 4pm at the Chandler Elks Lodge #2429, 1775 W Chandler Blvd. \$20/sgl, \$30/cpl. FMI: mcpherson6975@gmail.com

9/21 MMAA {Mountain Motorcycle Association of AZ} annual Toy Run. Meet 8am. Location has changed to the Irish Colleen restaurant at 1676 W White Mountain Blvd in Pinetop-Lakeside, AZ. FMI: Denise 928 242-7775, abatehccdenise@gmail.com

9/28 {Sat} 14th annual Skin & Steel tattoo & motorcycle show; 10a-3pm at American Legion Post 2, 2125 S Industrial Park Ave, Tempe. Rain or Shine. Free admission. Vendors, music by Luv That Tune. Food & drinks available. FMI: skin.steelaz@gmail.com

9/28 American Legion Riders, Post 52 Sierra Vista 20th Anniversary Bike Bash. All bikes, trikes, & cages welcome. Poker Run or Poker Chill \$22/pp. Add'I hand \$10/ea. Reg 8-10am at Post 52; 12 Theater Dr. Last out 10a, last in 1pm. Bike Games, Bike Show, Vendors, Band, DJ Mata. H-D motorcycle raffle. FMI: 520-459-6050, theALRpost52@gmail.com

9/28 Naughty Teacher Run. Sign-in 9a at Daddy O's - 4163 W Thunderbird Rd, Phoenix. \$20/sgl, 25/2-up or car. Benefits 'Soldiers Best Friend'. Last stop @ Beaver Bar, 11801 N 19th Ave, Phx (602-944-4644)

10/5 {Sat} 2nd annual Elktoberfest, hosted by the Sun City Elks Riders of Lodge #2559. \$25/pilot, +\$15/2up, non-riders \$25. Entry includes dinner. KSU 9am. Route TBA. Last Bikes In 3pm. Live Music By Unleashed. Silent Auction, Raffles, 50/50, & more. FMI: 623-972-9552, enf@elks.org

10/5 Superstition HD & CMA host Bugsplat Ride 2024. 9a-3pm. Details TBA. FMI: 480-346-0600

10/5 20th annual 'Do It In The Dark' hosted by Lost Dutchman MC QC & Sober Riders MC West Valley. Starts 6pm @ LDMC QC clubhouse, 950 E Baseline Ave, Apache Junction. \$25/sgl, \$35/cpl. Poker walk, raffles, & more. FMI: 602-281-0691

10/5 Nation of Patriots Benefit Ride hosted by American Legion Riders of Post 117; 3230 E Thunderbird Rd, Phx. Reg 9a \$20/pilot, +\$10/2-up. KSU 10a. Music by BadJune starts 4pm. FMI: 602-358-7370, adjutant@pattillmanpost117.org

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Advertiser's event & live link if available 10/5 CVMA 32-1 Pony Express Ride / Poker Run. Starts/ends @

Roadrunner in New River. Reg 8am. \$20/pilot. +\$10/2-up. Last in by 2pm. Annual fundraiser ride/poker run to support veteran charities. Prizes, raffles, food, live music, & a fun ride! FMI: Chapterpro@ cvma32-1.org

10/6 (Sun) Ms Biketoberfest 2024 Pageant at OTG - On the Green, 801 S Power Rd, Mesa. Noon-5pm {indoors}. Vendors, live music & more. Fundraiser for BACA - Bikers Against Child Abuse. FMI or Reg: 602-819-0375

10/12 {Sat} S.A.L. 8th annual Car & Bike Show at American Legion Post 35, 2240 W Chandler Blvd, Chandler. 9a-2pm. Spectators free. Entries \$25 b4 10/5, & \$30/after. Sponsors include San Tan Ford. FMI: 480-390-8893, dennis_stover@cox.net

10/13 (Sun) Bikers For Boobies Ride. The 15th & Final will start at J&P Cycles, 8606 E Shea Blvd, Scottsdale. Ends at the Roadrunner Saloon. FMI: https://www.bikers4boobiesaz.org/

10/17-19 (Th-Sa) 21st annual Run to the Rez Motorcycle Run takes place in San Carlos & at Apache Gold Resort in Globe. Honoring All Veterans. Poker Run, Bike Show, Music, Great Giveaways, & more. For rooms call 928-475-7600 & mention Run to the Rez. Tent & RV camping available, call 928-475-7800 x3659. FMI: 928-475-2932, 928-961-6002, johnrezrider@yahoo.com | www.RunTo-TheRez.com

10/18-20 (Fr-Sun) Shine Toberfest at Saddle Sore Ranch, 6720 Oatman Hwy, Golden Valley, AZ. Moonshine, Music, Chili, Games, activities, & more. Dry camping available. FMI: 424-322-0505, LiveFromS-SR@gmail.com

10/19 (Sat) Ms Red, White, & Blue Pride 2024 fundraiser for Operation Toothbrush for homeless Vets. At the Rhythm Room, 1019 E Indian School, Phoenix from noon-4pm. \$15 cover. Pinup pageant, live music, swing dance competition, vendors, cool cars & bikes, & more. Sponsors: PinUp AZ & Suzie & the Accelorators. FMI: 602-819-0375.

10/19 Good Vibes Car & Bike Show at the Coolidge VFW, 328 W Coolidge Ave. Show 9a-noon. Battle of the Bands noon-4pm. Proceeds benefit local Veterans programs. FMI: Studio22.Coolidge@ gmail.com

10/26 (Sat) 2nd Annual CVMA 32.8 Superstition Treasure Hunt at Superstition Harley-Davidson Details TBA. FMI: https://www.facebook. com/groups/cvma32.8/

10/27 {Sun} Blackjack Bust Cancer Charity Ride hosted by Dube Screw Cancer Apparel. Ride starts/ends @ The 44 Sports Grill, 4494 W Peoria Ave, Glendale. Reg 8:30-9:30am, \$20/sgl, \$30/cpl. Best/ worst hands, music, & more. FMI: 623-842-1053

10/31-11/3 {Th-Su} CMA AZ State Rally 2024 returns to Superior. Details TBA

11/2 {Sat} CVMA Chapter 32-5 2nd annual Steel Horse Round Up. Starts & ends at The Tack Room (623-386-1065), 10300 S Miller Rd, Buckeye, AZ. \$25/sgl, +\$10/2-up.

11/2 Seductive CC & Superstition HD 11th Annual Motorcycle & Car Show Toy Drive Kickoff. 10a-2pm @ SHD, 2910 Apache Trail AJ. Vendors, music, & more. FMI: 480-346-0600

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11/2 Lost Dutchman MC Six Shooter Poker Run, hosted by the Queen Creek Chapter. Details TBA. FMI: 602-281-0691

11/14-17 {Th-Sun} ACMC's Riot on the River at Winkleman Park. \$20/sgl, \$30/cpl includes Saturday dinner. Games, vendors, music, & more. FMI: BilletLDMC@gmail.com; https://azcmc.org/riot-on-theriver/

11/30 (Sat) Battleship Run, hosted by Foreign War Veterans MA. Ride starts/ends @ DAV Chapter 18, 4656 E 1st St, Tucson. Details TBA.

12/7 (Sat) Troll's Teddy Bear Run. Sponsors include Superstition HD and Law Tigers AZ. Sign-in 9-10:30a @ SHD, 2910 W. Apache Trail Apache Junction. Entry \$10+teddy bear. FMI: 360-451-1795, troll@trollsteddybearrun.com https://www.trollsteddybearrun. com/

2025 ~ Happy New Year!

1/25/25 (Sat) 10th annual Ride for the Salt River Wild Horses. Sign in 9-11am @ American Legion Post 58, 16837 E Parkview Ave. Fountain Hills. \$15/sgl, \$25/dbl. Last stop at Superstition HD. Sponsors include SHD, Law Tigers, On The Green (OTG). FMI: ride4srwh@gmail.com

4/12 (Sat) 2nd annual Shriners Ride For Kids. Details TBA.

May 17, 2025 (Sat): AMSAF's Riding For the Long Haul event, 5:30-9:30pm at Marriott Phoenix Chandler - 1600 S Price Rd., Chandler. Dress in your best Hawaiian attire and get ready for: Delicious Cuisine; Live Entertainment; Silent Auction; & much more! FMI: https:// www.amsaf.org/rftlh/

