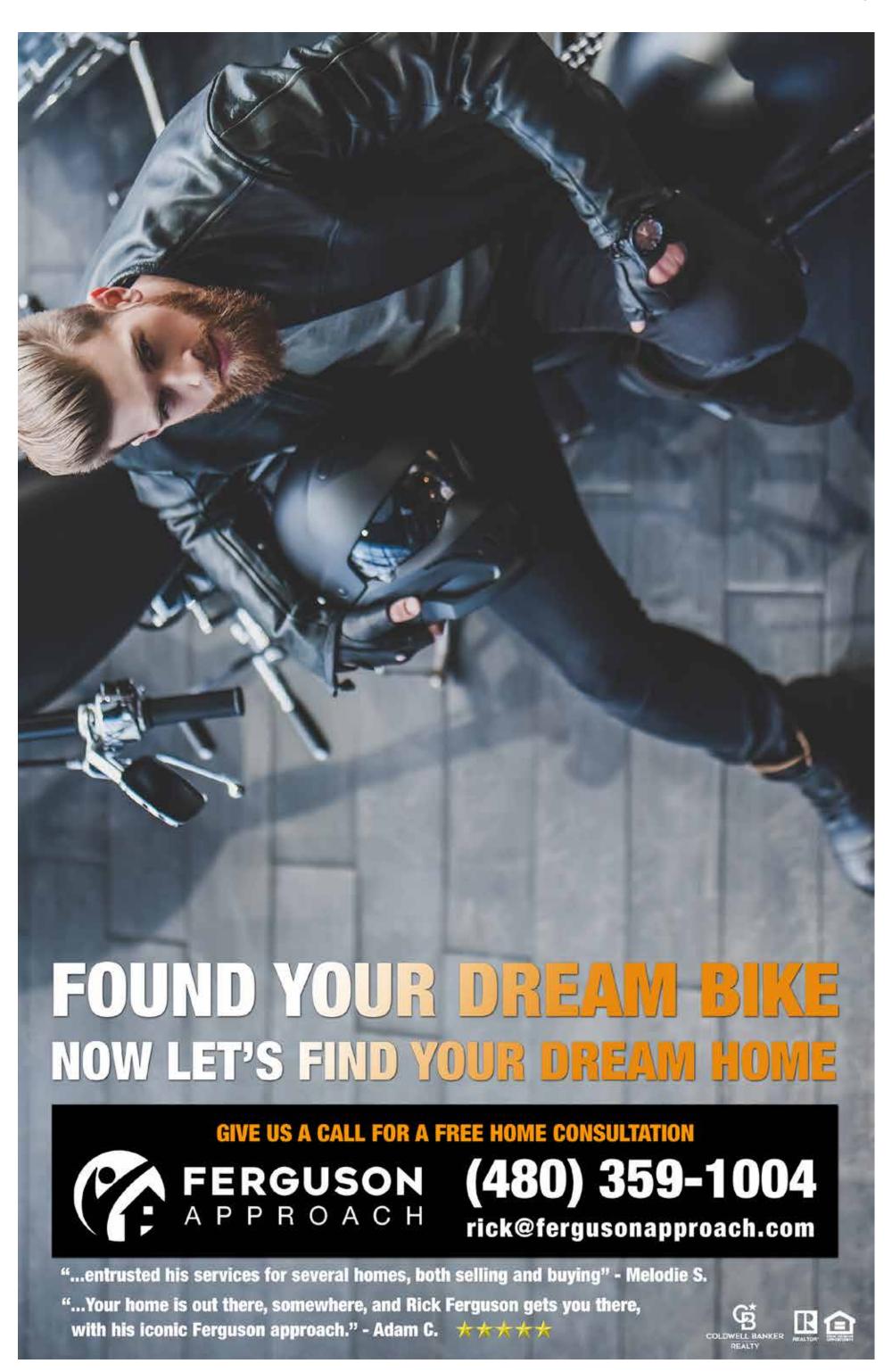


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# hooter Poker Run

from Bill Bracken, Lost Dutchman MC, Queen Creek Chapter:

We would like to start with a Great Big "Thank you" to everyone that came out on September 10th for the 6th annual "Six Shooter Poker Run" hosted by the Queen Creek Chapter of the Lost Dutchman Motorcycle Club. The poker run sign-up was at Superstition Harley <u>Davidson</u> in Apache Junction. The next stops were The River Bottom Bar & Grill in Florence, then off to The Gym Grill & Bar in San Tan Valley, then to Skippy's Grill & Cantina in Queen Creek. At an undesignated point between The Gym and Skippy's was a "Ghost Stop" where (if you saw the Banner marking the stop)

you could get an extra Card and pitch one Card away that you didn't need - for a better hand. Last stop was the Lost Dutchman MC Clubhouse in Apache Junction.

The "Highest Hand" could stake claim to a "Six Shooter" Pistol. Tickets for a raffle where the winner was to be announced at the Six Shooter event had been sold for the past 6 months. The winner of this Raffle could stake claim to a High tech Shotgun. Ironically enough, two attending members from the same club won both prizes! Apparently, luck was on their side.

We had approximately 200 attendees that day, which we feel is a great turn out. It was a beautiful day, and the live Music was supplied by the White Lightning

Band.

In closing, thank you all again for your support. Keep your eyes on the Arizona Confederation of Motorcycle Club's (ACMC) Website. ... The ACMC Calendar will be showing you all the Christmas Toy Runs in December coming up quickly. You can find them at azcmc. org.....

> Photos by Randy Anagnostis See more event pix at this link.

The Lost Dutchman MC annual Christmas Angel Tree Run will take place on December 11th.



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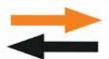
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Hello AriZona Riders!

On the cover ... This pic was taken at the recent East Valley Biker Rodeo hosted by the Longbow Chapter of the Rough Riders MC. You can read about that event in this edition.

Well, it's been one Helluva year ... *Yup* ~ *nearly so!* 

I can say that, as we approach this

Thanksgiving and the 'Season of Gratitude' as a whole, I've had times of feeling somewhat hard-pressed to generate much interest or recognition. BUT ... in reality ... This most awful & trying time in my life has demonstrated to me, in more ways than I could have imagined, just how much I DO have to be Thankful for. There are people in my life whom I can never thank enough.

My prayer for those of you who are struggling in your lives right now ~ in Body, in Mind, or in Spirit ~ is that you will be able to see at least a glimmer of HOPE and recognize bits of POSITIVITY that ARE around you ... People, Resources, Situations. Even when things in life feel utterly overwhelming ~ they ARE there. For each person, those 'glimmers' and 'bits' will be different... But they serve the same purpose. They can be your anchor to keep you from being buried in despair, discouragement, and other emotions that can bring you down and make life seem like a hopeless undertaking.

Bruce and I always felt Thankful and Blessed in our Life. It's been difficult sometimes to recognize that ongoing TRUTH in my life as I move forward. Sometimes I just have to get out of my own way and open my eyes to it.

I hope that those of you who might need to may find some helpfulness here. ©

More than ever, I am THANKFUL to be a part of the Brotherhood & Sisterhood that IS this motorcycling community.

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#### COUNTRY MUSIC LEGEND AND MOTORCYCLE FAN LORETTA LYNN HAS PASSED

Country Music Star and AMA Hall of Fame inductee Loretta Lynn died in her sleep on October 4, 2022 at her popular ranch and tourist destination in Hurricane Mills, Tennessee, at age 90.

The Grammy Award winning singer rose to stardom in the music industry over six decades with hit singles like "Coal Miner's Daughter" and "Don't Come Home A-Drinkin," but Ms. Lynn was also a long-time supporter of amateur motocross racing, and hosted the AMA Amateur National Motocross Championship at her "Loretta Lynn"

### ARIZONA LANE FILTERING LAW GOES INTO EFFECT

arms and ranch to countless motocross

The new Arizona state law that allows lane-filtering for two-wheeled motorcycles under very specific circumstances officially went into effect on Saturday, September 24, 2022.

The Arizona state legislature passed bipartisan Senate Bill 1273 in March, signed into law March 24, 2022, by Governor Doug Ducey (R), and the bill does not allow "lane splitting," but rather "lane filtering" by motorcycles traveling between lanes of street traffic at a speed of 15 miles per hour or less. Three-wheeled vehicles, such as trikes or sidecars, are specifically not included in this change in the law.

S.B. 1273 was sponsored by Senator Tyler Pace (R-Mesa), who clarified that lane filtering and lane splitting are not the same thing. This new law now in effect will only allow for low-speed lane

filtering in very specific situations, and it was crafted to resemble a similar lane filtering initiative that became law in Utah in 2019.

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Lane splitting or filtering in some form are now allowed in Arizona, California, Hawaii and Utah, while states including Connecticut, Oregon, Washington and Virginia have introduced or are considering such legislation.

#### 'NOISE' UNDER ATTACK IN CALIFORNIA

California Governor Gavin Newsom (D) has signed AB-2496 into law, to now require a certificate of compliance for a violation of noise limit requirements and certain modified exhausts, and putting a "Hold" on vehicle registrations if proof is not adequately provided in a timely manner.

"AB-2496 creates a system in which, if you are cited for noise, you must provide certification to the court within 90 days of citation that your exhaust has been corrected to acceptable standards," wrote ABATE of California in a 'Call to Action' opposing the measure; going on to explain that; "However, there is no system to test and certify, thus you can not get it. Further, IF you do not

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get it, your vehicle will NEVER be able to be registered in the State of California again. They want to remove us from the road."

The new law requires the court to inform the Department of Motor Vehicles if a certificate of compliance is not provided within 3 months of the violation date, treating this failure as noncompliance, and requiring the DMV, before renewing the registration of any vehicle, to check whether the court has issued a hold on the vehicle registration for a violation of the noise requirements and to refuse to renew the registration until it has received a notification from the court that a certificate of compliance has been issued.

These requirements would become operative on January 1, 2027.

#### FEDERAL BILL DEMANDS ANSWERS ON ANTI-BIKER PROFILING

Congresswoman Susie Lee (D-NV), a member of the House Appropriations Committee, has included language [House Report 117-402] demanding answers from NHTSA regarding anti-biker profiling into a government funding bill, H.R. 8294, which states;

"The Committee is concerned that

NHTSA may be conducting activities that encourage states to adopt legislation, regulation, or other policies that unjustly profile motorcycle riders. The Committee directs NHTSA to report to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations on the extent to which the agency works with states on motorcycle passenger policies within 120 days of enactment of this Act."

Additionally, cosponsors are still being sought for H. Res 366 to prevent the discriminatory targeting of motorcyclists by law enforcement, similar to the anti-profiling resolution passed by the U.S. Senate in 2018. Meanwhile, the states of Washington (2011), Maryland (2016), Louisiana (2019), Idaho (2020) and New Hampshire (2022) have proactively passed laws to curb profiling.

#### E-BIKES MAY SOON BE AS COSTLY TO CHARGE AS ICE BIKES ARE TO REFUEL

Rising electricity costs are impacting public charging stations, leading to increased costs for charging electric bikes that could be higher than gasoline.

Historically, the comparatively low price of charging an electric vehicle versus fueling one fitted with an internal combustion engine (ICE) has meant that for those who can afford such vehicles, the switch from gas to electric transport has been a financially beneficial one.

However, as the price of energy continues to rise internationally, electric motorcycles could soon be more expensive to charge than combustion bikes cost to fill up.

Assuming the price of gasoline doesn't outpace the cost of electricity, a study summarized by VisorDown.com reports that costs per kilowatt-hour (kWh) of electricity at 'rapid' charging stations in the U.K. have increased by 42% in the four months from May 2022 to September 2022; "That has led to charge costs per mile that are not far short of fill-up costs per mile."

Whatever the case, fueling or charging your motorcycle is only going to get more expensive, it would appear.

#### RUSSIAN ATTACK ON UKRAINE CAUSING POTHOLES IN THE U.K.

Hostilities between Russia and Ukraine is being touted as the reason for much of the financial troubles in the world today, and the British Local Government Association (LGA) is now claiming that the Russian led invasion is preventing pothole repair work as costs increase.

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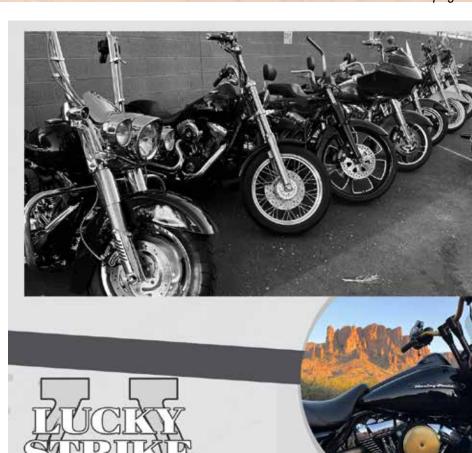
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So aside from other more obvious wartime after-effects, like higher gas prices and utility bills, the war between Russia and Ukraine is apparently being felt in even more wide-reaching areas. One of the areas that are being reported to have been hit hard by the conflict is road building and repair. The RAC in England reports that around 60% of the bitumen used to build new roads, and repair potholes, was bought from Russia. With trade embargos on the nation now in force, the cost of carrying out these repairs is said to have risen, with the LGA

A recent study by the LGA concluded that prior to the Russian aggressions, the UK's pothole problems would have taken ten years to rectify, costing around £12 billion (\$13.5B US) in total.

claiming a 22% increase.

#### FRENCH COMPANY TESTING PLANT-BASED ASPHALT

The worldwide movement towards a greener future of mobility doesn't stop with the vehicles, but also the roads we drive and ride Indeed, infrastructure plays an equally important role when it comes to sustainability, and this is something that many countries have overlooked in their efforts to go green, but not France, as it's now ready to test a new plant-based asphalt called Biophalt.

Currently, asphalt roadway surfaces are made primarily out of petroleum crude oil, a far cry from carbon neutral, so French company Eiffage has been working on an alternative to traditional asphalt since 2018, called Biophalt, that is said to offer the same benefits as asphalt while taking the crude oil out of the equation. The technology has so much potential, that in 2019, it was given an award by the Roads and Streets Innovation Committee of the Ministry of Ecological Tran-

Biophalt sets itself apart from traditional asphalt by making use of a vegetable binder instead of crude oil. Moreover, in terms of traffic volume, climatic resilience, traction, and durability, Biophalt has similar attributes to conventional asphalt. It is also applied at mild temperatures and has a reduced production temperature requirement, both of which provide energy savings. With all of this, Biophalt claims to have a carbon-neutral footprint.

Recently, the southwest French department of Haute-Garonne made the decision to test the Biophalt mix from Eiffage by resurfacing a mile-long section of road, in hopes that Biosphalt will soon set the entire road infrastructure on a new course.

#### **SELF-DRIVING CAR** 'DRIVERS' GIVEN GREEN LIGHT TO WATCH VIDEOS

As world governments move towards a full rollout of self-driving cars on the roads, one rule is being introduced in the United Kingdom to allow 'drivers' to watch videos while the vehicle is in motion! After a consultation on the matter, the U.K. government is now set to allow those in control of self-driving cars to watch videos while driving down the road.

The changes came when the government updated the highway code earli-

er this year. At the time, it was done to consider the new autonomous technology and incorporate it into the rules of the road, but this new rule could cause vulnerable road users to be put at risk. It concerns watching content that is not related to the vehicle (films, TV, music videos, social media, and emails) on the vehicle's built-in display screens built into the cockpit. These are generally used to change the settings of the car, relay information to the driver, or provide navigation assistance, though many can now be set to display videos via internal or external storage devices, with some being able to surf the Internet either through 5G or Wi-Fi.

The move will likely strike fear into the hearts of vulnerable road users, such as motorcyclists, as it's already been continues on page 10



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widely reported that many self-driving cars do miss "seeing" us in some circumstances. At this time, autonomous car manufacturers claim that the liability lies with the driver of the vehicle to spot the danger and take back control of the vehicle, so how badly is an operator's concentration and reaction time impacted by watching a movie, or playing a game?

BMW just announced AirConsole to allow owners to play both single- and multiplayer videogames from the comfort of the driver's seat to "make every waiting situation in the vehicle an entertaining experience."

#### 'WALKING DEAD' STAR JOINS 'THE BIKERIDERS' CAST, JAX RETURNS FROM THE DEAD

For your Moto-tainment pleasure, Hollywood sources report that "The Walking Dead" star Norman Reedus has become the latest celebrity to join the cast of "The Bikeriders," a fictional film inspired by the photography of Danny Lyon and his 1967 book of the same name, and follows the rise of a fictional Midwestern motorcycle club. Seen through the lives of the members, the club evolves over the course of the decade from a gathering place for local outsiders into a more 'sinister gang'.

The biker theme is fitting for Reedus, a longtime rider whose 'TWD' character Daryl Dixon is known for riding a motorcycle across the show's 11 seasons. The 53-year-old actor also hosts the travel series "Ride with Norman Reedus" as he hits the open road to explore biker cul-

In other 'Dead' News, Charlie Hunnam has reportedly hinted at resurrecting his Jax Teller character, who died in the final episode of "Sons of Anarchy," for a redux role.

#### **MOTORCYCLE POKÉMON** TO HELP GAMERS EXPLORE POKÉ-UNIVERSE

Two new Legendaries, Koraidon and Miraidon, are here to aid in your exploration of the newest games in the Pokémon franchise. In the 26 years since Pokémon was first released, it's gained a lot of fans around the world, and while pedal-powered bicycles have been a part of Poké-canon since the beginning, traditional motorcycles haven't been -- until

On November 18, 2022, Nintendo is set to release the two newest games in the franchise worldwide -- Pokémon Scarlet and Pokémon Violet -- on the Switch. As has become customary, a pair of Legendary Pokémon (differentiated from normal Pokémon by both their rarity and their comparatively expansive powers) will adorn the box art for these games. They're new to the franchise; their names are Koraidon and Miraidon -- oh, and they transform into motorcycles.

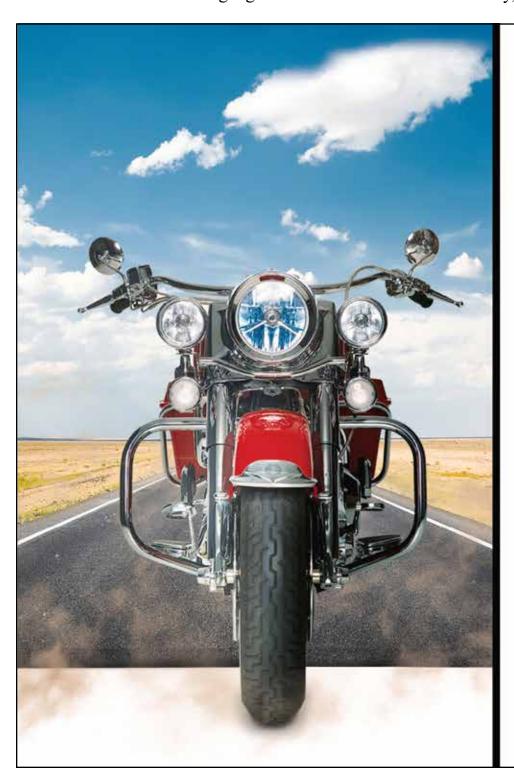
That's important, because these two new games mark another first in the franchise: They're both open-world roleplaying games (RPGs), and with so much space to explore, these Pokébikes will help your character ride across the newest region in the Poké-universe, Paldea.

#### **QUOTABLE QUOTE**:

"I am not afraid of an army of lions led by a sheep; I am afraid of an army of sheep led by a lion."

~ Alexander the Great (356 – 323 BC) **Greek King & Conqueror** 

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# Classic Car & Bike Show-at-Post-3

The 6th Classic Car & Bike Show hosted by American Legion Post 35, was held on Saturday October 8, 2022. Post 35 is located at 2240 W Chandler Blvd in Chandler.

The parking lot held so many beautiful vehicles; representing a wide range of years, makes, & models. History on wheels. It was a treat to stroll the aisles. It's hard to pick a favorite among them. I wouldn't even try. BUT ... Noteworthy to this observer was a 1922 Ford T-Bucket .... yup - 100 years old. At least, that's when she was born. She's has a bit of work done since then ©

DJ Pulse provided the PA system and the overall music.

The beneficiary Survivors of War had an information booth. Sponsor San Tan Ford had a number of vehicles on display. Additional vendors & information booths included ABATE of AZ's East Valley Chapter, Bejeweled Escape, a

Tupperware rep, Wreaths Across America, Downtime Wines, Creations by Kevin {bells}, More Shade, and ATT telephones. Booths offered such items as stickers, apparel, jewelry, accessories, body care, wood crafts, hand-made baskets, foodstuffs, & more.

There was a Silent Auction and a 50/50. That winner collected \$187.

As the winners of the day were announced, there was also special recognition of Tom Hahn of the East Valley Mustang Club. He passed earlier this year.

Clubs represented included Desert Sky Car Club, East Valley Corvettes, East Valley Cruisers, East Valley Mustang Club, and Rusty Nuts.

Some of the show winners included Keith Davis' 1956 Triumph and Richard Royal's 1940 Chrysler. Gary Williams won with his 1959 Mercedes 190 - in his first time showing it. The Sons of the American Legion Award went to a 1970 Plymouth Baracuda owned by a fella named Mike. The Survivors of War selected a 1950 Mercury Monterey as their favorite. San Tan Ford's Award went to a 1955 Studebaker. Each of the Military Branches select their favorites as well.

There was a lot of positive feedback from the day. Good people, beautiful vehicles to admire, and supporting Veterans causes ... all combined to make a good way to spend a day!

**Betsy** 

The American Legion Riders of Post 35 are hosting their annual Toys For Tots Toy Drive & Poker Run on Saturday November 26. Sign-in at Chandler HD. There will be stops w/ Last stop @ Post 35 { 2240 W Chandler Blvd} from noon-4pm. Music by Jaded Jukebox. Vendors, raffles, & more. FMI: 480-821-0002,







# Community News

Share your news within AZ's Biker Community. Boast about a grand-baby - no matter what age they are ©.

Extend congratulations, well wishes, or condolences. Send someone kudos for a promotion, announce an engagement, welcome your GI home. You get the idea. And so, for now ~

Happy Birthday in November to Sharon Perrin, Lisa Landers, Martha Fleetwood, Rebecca Steed, Norman Crain, Striker Jensen, Bill Brooks, Mike 'Redbone' Schneider, Brina Brown, JR Reichelt, Dyan 'Painted Lady' Norfleet, Brad Cosby, JoAnn Goodson, E San Miguel, Josh Barela, Ernie Lizarraga, Ruby Cheeks, Brenda Heath, Kenneth Hebert, Jack Carpenter, Eric Hampton, Lisa Wengert Siqueiros, Alan 'Pyro' Aubrey, William Driggers, Thaddeus Jones, Ed Chandler, Shelley Victor Thorkelson, Diana Carney, Larry Walker, Lee 'Snakebite' Gonzales, Dennis Archer, Hope McLeod, Duck Burley, Mike Jackson,

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# Boobapalooza at Superstition l

While Breast Cancer is certainly no laughing matter ... it is also said that Laughter is the Best Medicine. Taking a serious situation and handling it in an upbeat and positive manner can bring about good results. So it is that each year there are numerous Breast Cancer Awareness parties throughout the state and beyond.

Superstition Harley-Davidson hosted their Boobapalooza for Breast Cancer Awareness on October 8, 2022.

There was a free pink pancake breakfast cooked up by the Asphalt Angels. This group meets on 2nd Saturdays at 10am at Superstition HD.

Anyone who wore pink this day received a gift.

SHD employees showed off their imaginative, creative, & crafty skills in the "Battle of the Bras". These cleverly customized bras were another quirky & fun way to draw attention to the breast

cancer awareness message. Judging was by People's Choice, measured by applause. First place was a tie between Brina and Jenna.

A SimonMed mobile mammogram imaging truck was onsite. All available appointments were filled for women to be tested. Ladies received a \$25 SHD® Gift Card when they scheduled & completed their mammogram.

There was a face painter and an array of raffle goodies to be won.

The Desert Divas is a singing duo who performed from noon – 3pm. People were dancing & enjoying the music. These talented performers are based in Apache Junction. They post their upcoming events on their facebook page.

Impact One Breast Cancer Foundation was the beneficiary of the day. This foundation provides support and resources to those impacted by breast cancer. Learn more about this organization via their website.

Thank you Superstition Harley-Davidson for your efforts to raise awareness and support for breast cancer testing, patients, and survivors!

> **Betsy** photos by <u>Randy Anagnostis</u> click title for photo gallery

Superstition Harley-Davidson is located at 2910 W Apache Trail in Apache Junction, AZ. 85120. Superstition HD hosts a variety of events throughout the year.... Riding classes, in-store get-togethers, & more. THIS MONTH includes an instore poker walk, a blood drive, a furever friend adoption event, & more. November 20 will be a Motorcycle Swap Meet from 10a-2pm. To reserve your space or to ask about their events, call the reception desk at 480-346-0600. For MORE details about SHD events, you can also visit the SHD online calendar.



## ABATE of ARIZONA's LEGISLATIVE ACCOMPLISHMENTS

ABATE of Arizona was formed as a corporation on 3/23/1988. Thirty-four years of fighting for the rights and freedoms for Arizona motorcyclists. We've had a tremendous amount of success over the years.

It is TIME to support ABATE of Arizona. \$25/year is all it costs. What has ABATE done for YOU?

Take a look at the list:

2022 Two-wheeled motorcycle Operation (Lane Filtering) is the latest accomplishment for Arizona motorcyclists. Passed with only 4 no votes in both chambers.

2021 Advocated against the adoption of California emissions standards in Arizona; Continuation of the Motorcycle Safety Fund for 4 years; [The Department of Transportation is required to deposit \$1 of each motorcycle registration fee collected in the Motorcycle Safety Fund through June 30, 2025, instead of through June 30, 2021]

Helped pass HB2110 CIVIL PENALTIES; TRAFFIC: MITIGATION: RESTITUTION --[If a "monetary obligation" (defined) is imposed on a person at sentencing, the court is authorized to order the person to perform community restitution in lieu of the payment of the monetary obligation. The court is required to credit any community restitution performed at a rate equal to the state minimum wage, rounded up to the nearest dol*lar.*];

and 5 other bills including Civil Asset Forfeiture, Conviction, Procedures and CDL changes that benefit drivers [includes extending the commercial driver license (CDL) renewal timeline to every eight years.].

2020 Helped pass repeal of the \$32 highway safety fee;

introduced lane filtering;

Advocated against the adoption of California emissions standards in Arizona

**2019** Anti-profiling; encouraging prevention Memorial [a written statement of facts or a petition; Encourages state and local law enforcement agencies to take steps to end motorcycle profiling] unanimously passed 60-0 in the House;

Mandatory helmet law with fees attached defeated once again;

Helped pass the Texting while driving, prohibition and enforcement, statewide handsfree law signed by Governor April 2019; Helped pass legislation excluding "slingshot" type 3-wheeled vehicles from class M applicability signed by Governor April 2019

2018 Introduced Anti-profiling legislation; Introduced Class M license requirement to register a motorcycle;

Stakeholder for Lane Splitting Bill; Advocated against the adoption of California emissions standards in Arizona:

Helped pass "Pam's Law" [ This law improves public safety by imposing stricter penalties on those who drive with a suspended license and commit traffic violations that result in serious injury or death.]

2017 Successfully prevented mandatory helmet legislation;

Reestablished Motorcycle Safety Fund for 5 years;

Helped pass the Teen texting bill;

Helped pass the Civil Forfeiture changes [Modifies civil asset forfeiture to require the property owner to have been convicted of an offense and for the state to establish the property is subject to forfeiture by clear and convincing evidence.]

**2015** Eliminated restriction on handlebar he ight

2013 Eliminated yearly motorcycle emissions testing in Maricopa County

2007 Eliminated yearly motorcycle emissions testing in Pima County; Removed cap on Motorcycle Safety Fund

**2004** Established veteran plates for motorcycles

**2002** Established Arizona Motorcycle Safety Council

**2001** Established Motorcycle Safety Fund

1997 Established handlebar height elevation to shoulder height

**1993** Helped prevent mandatory helmet legislation in Arizona

**1992** Opened HOV lanes to motorcycles

Thank you Mike Infanzon, Legislative Director for ABATE of Arizona, for sending along this information! If you have questions about the above information, contact lobbyist@abateofaz.org

For only \$25/year you can help support your State Motorcyclists Rights Organization. Whether motorcycling is a sport, community, or lifestyle to you - you, as a rider, should be supporting ABATE-AZ's efforts on your behalf. ABATE of AZ volunteers continuously monitor what is happening at the State Capitol to help promote motorcycle safety & protect our rights as motorcyclists.

Learn more about ABATE of Arizona at their website http://www.abateofaz.org/





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# East Valley Biker Rodeo

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Saturday October 1st, 2022 was a fine day to play outdoors © Riders from around the Valley of the Sun gathered at The Chateau, located at 7000 E Main Street in East Mesa, for the 4th annual East Valley Biker Rodeo; in support of the Rough Riders MC Longbow Chapter mission to support Veterans & Veteran Causes.

The games were co-ed ... testing the rider skills of guys & gals. Emcee Navigator called the action.

Bike games included....

*Keg Roll* – after the elimination rounds reduced the field of players, the final winners were determined by the timer. Winners were: 1st place Herb 17:75 ; 2nd = Setback 18:56 ; 3rd = Audrey22:48

Slow Roll – even though you are riding next to another bike, you are competing against the clock. Winners were: 1st place = John 27:40; 2nd = Timbur = 21:13; 3rd = Setback 19:98

Dog Bite: 1st place = Alex & Kat; 2nd = Toro & Teri; 3rd = Cameron & Charity

People games included ...

Keg Toss: 1st place = Setback 19'; 2nd = Trenton 18'8''; 3rd = Jay 18';

Skillet Toss: 1st place = Sparky 40'7"; Trenton 34'9"; Siss 33'11"

Congratulations to all the winners! The creative talents of RRMC members came together to create the custom trophies.

Vendors included <u>Law Tigers Ari-</u> zona, Custom Cycle Seats, Discount Biker Supply, ELMM Law Group, Semper Fi Heating & Cooling, and Simply CBD. Music throughout the day was provided by Richie Darling; a talented solo artist who plays a variety of classic rock, blues, & country music.

The food at the cook station all looked delicious... tacos, rice, beans, & more... prepped up & served by RRMC Brothers, their Ladies, & supporters.

Raffle donors included Oregano's Pizza, Thigh Brush, and the various vendors. There was a variety of goodies available to win... restaurant certificates, home &/ garage décor, ammunition, adult beverages, apparel, bath & bod type spa

items... soaps and such, detailing products for bike &/or truck, & more.

The 50/50 winner donated their \$170 prize back to the day, in support of the beneficiaries American Service Animal Society {Dogs4Vets} and Operation Shockwave.

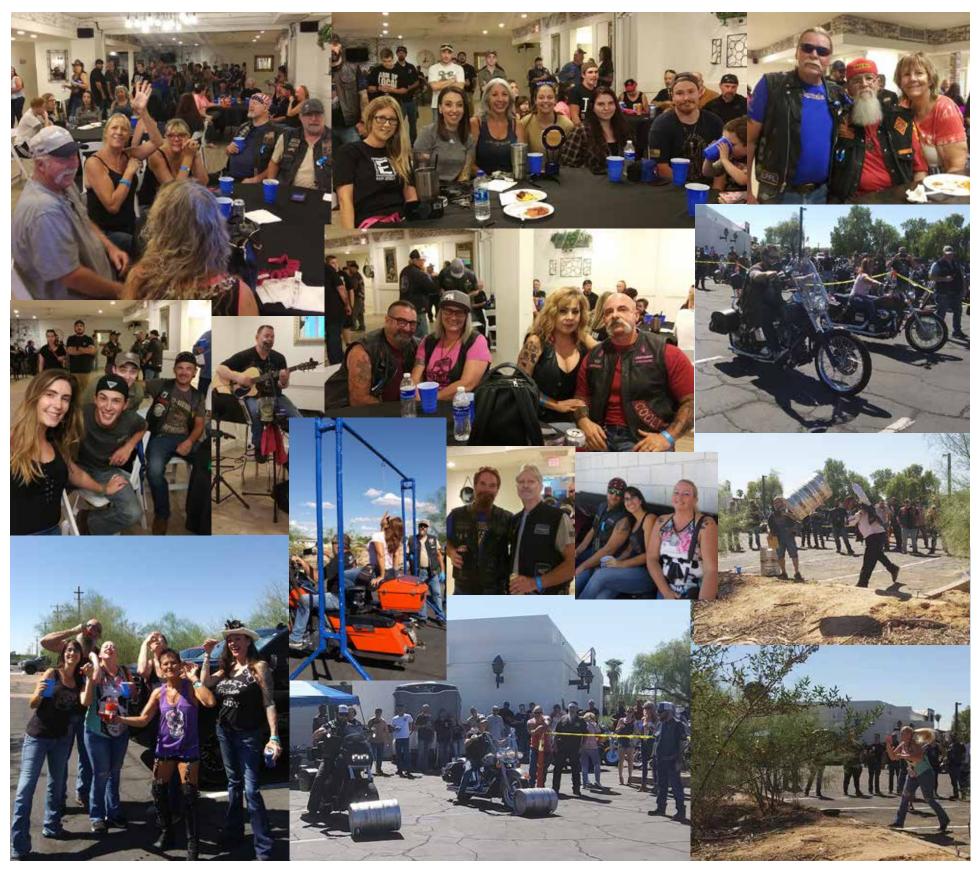
Dogs 4 Vets / the American Service Animal Society is a nonprofit organization dedicated to enabling disabled veterans to live a more productive life through the use of service animals. Learn more about D4V by clicking here.

Operation Shock Wave's mission is centered on Veteran Suicide Prevention. Learn more about OSW by clicking here.

American Service Animal Society also raffled off a custom AR platform rifle as an additional fundraiser.

Thanks go out to the more than 17 different rider organizations that were represented. Thank you Rough Riders MC for your support of Veterans! Congratulations on a good day!

*Betsy* 



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Saturdays November 2022 {11/12, 11/26}: Superstition HOG Chapter Ride starts at Superstition H-D - 2910 W Apache Trail, Apache Junction, AZ. 85120. All welcome. Meet 7:30a, Kickstands up at 8a. FMI: 480-346-0600

Saturdays Nov-Dec 2022 {11/5, 11/19, 12/3, 12/17}: Bitchin' Stitchin' at Superstition H-D - 2910 W Apache Trail, Apache Junction from 10a-1pm FMI: 480-346-0600

Sundays November 2022 {11/6, 11/20}: Superstition HOG Chapter Ride starts at Superstition H-D - 2910 W Apache Trail, Apache Junction, AZ. 85120. Come ride with our HOG Members. Meet at 7:30a, Kickstands up at 8a. FMI: 480-346-0600

2nd Sundays: ABATE-AZ East Valley Chapter meeting ~ 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

2nd Sundays: ABATE-AZ Yavapai Chapter meeting ~ 11a at VFW Post 541, 202 N Arizona Ave, Prescott. FMI: Dan Tumey 928-308-9911, ycabateaz@gmail.com online, click title above for more calendar entries and event details

2nd Sundays: ABATE-AZ Phoenix-Shadow Mtn Chapter meeting. 10:30a-noon at AZ American Italian Club, 7509 N. 12th St, Phoenix. Food & drinks available.

2nd & 4th Sundays: Desert Thunder MC cooks up breakfast 8-11am @ the Thunder Dome, 3137 W. Virginia Ave, Phoenix. \$5/plate. FMI: desertthundermc87@gmail.com

Wednesdays November 2022: Superstition **HOG Chapter Ride. Departs Superstition** HD - 2910 W Apache Trail, Apache Junction. Ride with our HOG Members. Meet 7:30am, KSU 8am. FMI: 480-346-0600

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

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

11/10-13 (Fr-Sun) 20th anniversary Rocky Point Rally. Sponsors include Law Tigers.

The Freedom to Assemble is a RIGHT, not a 'privilege' 11/12 {Sat} Tour of Duty Ride. Proceeds benefit MAM - Military Assistance Mission. Reg 9:30a at Peaks & Valleys. \$20 per bike or cage. Stops include Aint Nick's Tavern. Last stop Deer Valley Eagles. FMI: 602-942-8421

11/12 {Sat} Ride to the Raceway, hosted by Old Bastards MC Salt River Chapter. Signin starts 10a @ Immortal Bastards CC, 6700 E Main, Mesa. \$20/sgl, \$30/cpl. KSU 12p to Raceway B&G {520-568-0808}, in Maricopa. Event benefits AASK {Aid to Adoption for Special Kids}.

11/12 3rd annual NW Tucson Moose Riders Toy Run. Sign in 9:30-11am at Lodge, 2660 W Ruthrauff Rd, Tucson. \$15/sgl, \$20/cpl + toy/ pp. All proceeds benefit Gospel Rescue Mission to provide underprivileged children with toys for Christmas. FMI: 520-406-5565

11/26 {Sat} American Legion Post 35 Toys For Tots Toy Drive & Poker Run. Sign-in at Chandler HD. 4 stops w/ Last stop @ Post 35 { 2240 W Chandler Blvd} from noon-4pm. Music by Jaded Jukebox. Vendors, raffles, & more. FMI: 480-821-0002, al35clubmgr@ gmail.com

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# From Military To Civilian – A Seamless Transition

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

Service members need to enroll PROMPTLY and do it NOW by following these steps:

- Obtain a copy of your service medical records prior to discharge. Do not take any shortcuts when separating and do this immediately. Any idea of hurrying to get home may cost you time and money should you require VA Healthcare at any time in the future.
- A veteran has two years, after separation, to apply for medical conditions that are a result of their service in the military. After two years the process becomes more difficult.
- If you require medical assistance from the VA after separation/ discharge, bring with you a copy of your medical records, a copy of your DD-214, and two forms of picture identification.
- Any injury or illness incurred while serving on active duty as a regular, reservist, or Federalized member of the National Guard needs to be noted in your medical records.
- Enroll in the VA IMMEDIATELY. Do Not Procrastinate!! Know your rights and your responsibilities. If you are not sure, ASK-ASK-ASK-ASK-I!! Ensure that your transition is smooth. Know what you need to do, and DO IT!
- Join a veterans service organization American Legion, DAV, Rolling Thunder®, VFW, AMVETS, Marine Corps League, Alliance of Marine Corps Vets, etc.

IT'S YOUR DUTY TO DO SO! "WELCOME HOME, CONGRATULATIONS ON A JOB WELL DONE, AND GOOD LUCK"

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12/10 (Sat) 18th annual 'Do It In The Dark' Ride co-hosted by Lost Dutchman MC & Sober Riders MC. 5:30-11:30pm. More details tba. FMI: billetldmc@gmail.com

12/11 {Sun} Lost Dutchman MC Christmas Angel Tree Toy Run" 8am - 5pm. FMI: billetldmc@gmail.com; john.lockwood.jl@gmail.com

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1/14 {Sat} Superstition H-D & Seductive Car Club co-host annual New Year's Car & Motorcycle Show. Details TBA. SHD 2910 W. Apache Trail; Apache Junction, Az. 85120 FMI: 480-346-0600, info@superstitionhd.com

1/28 {Sat} 8th annual Ride for the Salt River Wild Horses. Sponsors include Superstition Harley-Davidson. FMI: 480-346-0600, info@superstitionhd.com

{Sat} 2nd annual Be The Miracle Ride for The Bridge For Community Services {FCS}. Presented by K2 Electric & the Ascendants MC. Ride starts/ends at Desert Wind HD, 922 S Country Club Dr, Mesa. Registration opens at 9am, award ceremony at 3pm. More details TBA. Free lunch, live music & lots of fun! All proceeds benefit The Bridge FCS. FMI: Tim tconrad85032@gmail.com; www.thebridgefcs. org; ww.ascendants.com

2/17-19 Lake Havasu Rockabilly Reunion. 19 bands, 3 days / Car-Motorcycle-Truck show, pin-up beauty pageant, dry camping available. Lake Havasu State Park, Windsor Beach. https://www.therockabillyreunion. com/

AZ Rider

3/18 {Sat} 8th Annual Vets Helping Vets Fundraiser hosted by Combat Veterans Motorcycle Association® Chapter 32-4 in conjunction with the American Legion Post 24 in Tombstone to benefit Veterans in Southern Arizona! Live local bands, raffles, silent auction, vendors, choose a Poker Run or a Scavenger Hunt for those who wish to experience Tombstone, and much, much MORE! \$20/pp includes one poker hand. Cash prizes for the high/low hands. FMI: www.cvma32-4.org

3/24-25 The 12th Annual AZ Rockabilly Bash ... Lake Pleasant, Peoria. https://azrockabillybash.com/

4/26-29 Bullhead River Motorcycle Run FMI: https://mayheminfo.com/bullhead-river-run

6/8-10 {Th-Sat} ABATE-AZ's Too Broke For Sturgis, at Mormon Lake Lodge.

