

The annual Riot on the River, hosted by Arizona's Confederation of Motorcycle Clubs {ACMC} was held at Winkelman's Gila River Park the weekend of November 4-6, 2021. All are welcome to the Riot on the River. This is a kid-friendly weekend.

From the ACMC website: "The ACMC Members are a select group of Elite Clubs and Organizations who have banded together in a fight for freedom and stand in defense of American rights, especially MC Clubs, and all Motorcyclists." This is their annual fundraiser, which supports these efforts throughout the year.

This event is a good opportunity for people who might be wondering if Club Life is for them; to meet and speak with Reps from different groups. That being said, Independent riders are very welcome to this gathering and everyone we saw seemed to be having a good time.

Weather was perfect for the weekend. It was even clear for actual camp fires.

Over nights were fairly chilly, especially for tent campers. But as long as you plan for it, you can be fine. There seemed to be more rvs & trailers than tents.

The invitation to come out on Thursday allowed organizations to set up camp early. Some even treated the weekend as a 'family reunion' of their various Chapters. Cool!

The gate & registration were managed by members of the Sober Riders MC.

Friday night's party was a good time. There were lots of people, camaraderie, laughter, and good music. The band was

Last Train to Juarez.

Vendors & info booths included Discount Biker Supply, Angell's Patches & Stitching, Custom Cycle Seats, massage & CBD from LadyAces, ABATE-AZ, Acrid Angels, and AIM / NCOM. There were also a couple of food trucks, vinyl art stickers, jewelry, & knives. All in all, some cool stuff 😊

Saturday's activities included some bike games, hosted by the Sho Ryders MC. The games were fun to watch. Winners were... Tricycle Races: 1st – Shaun, Hooligans MC ; 2nd – Tracy, Outsiders MC ; 3rd – Joker, Sho Ryders MC. Paint Ball Ride By: 1st – Steve & Tracy, Outsiders MC ; 2nd – Wolf, Hooligans MC ; 3rd - John, Hooligans MC. Slow Drag: 1st – Ron S ; 2nd – Tracy, Outsiders MC ; 3rd – Steve, Outsiders MC. Plank Ride: 1st – Ron ; 2nd – Wolf, Hooligans MC ; 3rd – Steve, Outsiders MC.

The Ride-In Bike Show was hosted by the Sun Riders MC. Congratulations to the winners: Bagger = Eddie's blue bagger, Custom = a brown Road King owned by Breathe Life Riders member Ironskin, and Vintage = a 1992 FXR, owned by AIM reps Nick R & his lady Mary.

Saturday night's dinner, included in your entry fee, was cooked up by the Regulators MC & served by the Disciple Christians MC. There was a huge smoker going, plus a bunch of sides. There was no excuse for going hungry 😊

There was no band Saturday night. This was a very last-minute cancellation, due

to the death of a family member within the band. We extend our condolences for your loss.

Marc Beitman of MSB Sound Design was the DJ who had been handling announcements, emcee'ing, and daytime music. With this sad development, he stepped up to fill the gap and keep the tunes going. He carried on into the night with a really good play list. Marc is also the Prez of the Southside Pirates.

Saturday night's activities included the drawings. LB collected \$370 in the 50/50. The cash raffle had 2 prizes. The \$500 prize went to TR. That ticket was pulled on the *second* try. You can bet that whoever is holding that first ticket is kicking themselves in the butt! The first prize was \$1000. It went to a member of the CRMC. Congratulations to each of you!!

Whether you are in that 'party til you puke' stage of your life or prefer a more laid-back weekend, you can find it here.

If you aren't able to get there for the full campout weekend – NO worries! Going up for a day trip will still allow you to meet some good people, listen to some music, see the games, vendors, & bike show, and grab a bite to eat.

Thanks for the opportunity over this weekend to meet some great people, visit with friends, and catch up with some who it's been FAR too long since seeing. 😊

*Betsy & Bruce*

