

Dale Thomas Memorial Poker Run

Winslow, Arizona ... June 22, 2024

The 1st annual Dale Thomas Memorial Poker Run took place on June 22, in and around Winslow Arizona.

Dale passed away July 1, 2023 at just 48 years old. He was a life-long resident of Winslow, and volunteered much of his time coaching the town's kids.

Family & friends of Dale Thomas organized this memorial poker run as a fundraiser for the Winslow Little League. The route covered about 250 miles. 48 participants signed-in at Winslow's Elks Lodge. Stops were at [Sportsman Chalet in Strawberry](#), [Red Onion Bar in Heber](#), [Empty Pockets Saloon in Holbrook](#), & [Tom's Tavern in Winslow](#). You could also buy extra cards at the [Winslow Rodeo Grounds](#). In addition to pulling cards for the traditional high and low hand prizes; if you drew a Joker, you automatically

won \$100.

The Winslow Little League posted on June 22, "Today it was a great honor to help with the Dale Thomas Memorial Poker Run. Today brought back a ton of great memories of how Dale was one of the best mentors, coaches, and role models to all the youth of Winslow. A big shout out and a bigger thank you to the Thomas family for allowing the Winslow Little League to be the beneficiary of this year's proceeds and donations. Another big shout out to Lonny and Sharon Gose for all the planning, coordinating, and running this event. Without you this wouldn't have been possible. To all the participants and people who donated, we can't thank you enough for your support for the youth of Winslow."

Donors to the event included High Hand prize of \$500 donated by David

Miles and Petey Miles; Low Hand prize \$250 donated by Winslow Elks Lodge 536; \$250 Joker card prizes donated by Richie Thomas; Joker and card draw 22 donated by the Rodeo Crew Jeff Ron Lonny; and \$200 donated by Sun City Elks Riders.

Lonny Gose posted the results: Gina Cole McCauley won high hand \$500 and donated it back. Lonny Gose won low hand \$250 and donated back. Michelle Thomas, Sean Gravier, and Elvis Enriques won the joker draw for \$100 each. Elvis E from Sun City donated back. Michelle Lewis, Red Onion 22nd drawer \$100. After all pay outs and donations, \$2000 will be donated to the Winslow Little League. Lonny continued, Thank You all! 1st annual Dale Thomas Memorial Ride was a great success! Thank You for all the help, donations and support!

