



# RETREADS

# Motorcycle Club

APR 2017

TUCSON AREA Monthly meetings: 2nd Sunday of each month -- Golden Corral, 6865 N. Thornydale Road, Tucson, AZ

April thru September 8:00 am October thru March 9:00 am

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The Retreads is a club for motorcycle enthusiasts 40 years old plus. We don't care what you ride. Membership is \$15.00 per single and \$20.00 per couple. Members may submit information about rides, items for sale, motorcycle articles, etc. no later than the 1st of the month to the newsletter editor: Mary-Ellen Tyndall, TucsonRtrd-

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# **RIDE SCHEDULE**



April Fool's Day



**Happy Easter** 



What a bike!!

# **April Rides**

Saturday, April 1, 8 AM Breakfast at American Legion Post 109 (15921 S. Houghton Rd., Corona De Tucson). Ride to Follow. Contact Dwight Irwin 520-574 -9670 or keek9553@gmail.com.

Wednesday, April 5, 10 AM Breakfast ride to Cattleman's Café at Marana Stockyards Restaurant (14901 W Kirby Hughes Rd., Marana, AZ 520.682.4319). Meet at Chevron, Oracle & Magee. Contact: Lee Aitken 520.293.2932 or LAIT-KEN1@msn.com

Sunday, April 9, 8AM Regular monthly meeting @ Golden Corral (6865 N Thornydale)Ride to Follow.

Wednesday, April 12, 1030AM Lunch ride to Wild Horse (309 McKeonwn Ave. Patagonia, Arizona, 520.394.2344) Meet at Chevron, I-10 & Wilmot. Contact Earl Rose 712-251-3191 or emrose@wiatel.net

Saturday, April 15, 11AM Lunch at Vail Steakhouse. Meet at Chevron I-10 & Wilmot. Contact Dwight

or Carolyn Irwin 520-574-9670 or keek9553@gmail.com.

# Wednesday, April 19, 10AM

Lunch ride to Longhorn (10348 N Highway 191, Elfrida, AZ 85610 520-642-3430) Contact: Lee Aitken 520-293-2932 or laitken1@msn.com

Sunday, April 23, 10 AM Taco Sunday at Circle S Saloon (16021 W El Tiro Rd., Marana). Meet at Chevron, Benson Hwy & Park Ave. Contact: Dave Piper 520-574-5122 or piperduke0637@yahoo.com

Saturday, April 29, 1030AM Sweet Peas (15785 Universal Ranch Road Arivaca, Az) 520.398.9200. Meet at Park and Benson Highway. Contact: Jeff Murch 520.603.3579 or TucsonArizonaRep@aol.com

# **May Rides**

Saturday, May 6, 8 AM Breakfast at American Legion Post 109 (15921 S. Houghton Rd., Corona De Tucson). Ride to Follow. Contact Dwight Irwin 520-574-9670 or keek9553@gmail.com.

# Sunday, May 14, 7AM(early)

Regular monthly meeting @ Golden Corral (6865 N Thornydale)Ride to Follow.

<u>Saturday, May 13 8 AM</u> Breakfast Ride to Sky Writers Restaurant.

Meet at Park and Benson Highway . Followed by a ride to Kitt Peak Observatory. (Highway 86 to 386 for 12 miles, Sells ,Az 85634 520.318.8726. Contact: Jeff Murch 520.603.3579 or TucsonArizona-Rep@aol.com

Monday-Thursday, May 15-18, 2017 Retreads International Rally. Bird In Hand, PA 800-537-2535.

www.midatlanticretreads.com/ up-

loads/3/1/8/6/3186475/2017 inte rnational rally flyer both pages 6-11.pdf

# Sunday, May 21 10 AM

Taco Sunday at Circle S Saloon (16021 W El Tiro Rd., Marana). Meet at Chevron, Benson Hwy & Park Ave. Contact: Rich Gilbert or Rebecca Hartman 520-419-2716 or awenutes@aol.com

# Tuesday, May 23, 1130AM.

Ladies luncheon Montgomery's (13190 E. Colossal Cave Rd Suite 190Vail, Arizona 85641 520-762-574-9670 or keek9553@gmail.com.

Saturday May 27, 6 PM Meet at Dairy Queen for Ice Cream (13160 E. Colossal Cave Rd. #130½Vail, AZ 85641 520-762-0343). Contact Jeff Murch 520-603-3579 or Tucso-nArizonarep@aol.com

# April Fool



Saturday May 27, 6 PM Meet at Dairy Queen for Ice Cream (13160 E. Colossal Cave Rd. #130 IVail, AZ 85641 520-762-0343). Contact Jeff Murch 520-603-3579 or TucsonArizonarep@aol.com

Monday May 29, 7AM Memorial Day Parade at Tucson Estes Parkway. Breakfast after the Parade. Contact: Jeff Murch 520.603.3579 or TucsonArizona-Rep@aol.com

# **June Rides**

Saturday, June 3, 8 AM Breakfast at American Legion Post 109 (15921 S. Houghton Rd., Corona De Tucson) Ride to Follow. Contact Dwight Irwin 520-574-9670 or keek9553@gmail.com.

Sunday, June 11, 8AM Regular monthly meeting @ Golden Corral (6865 N Thornydale)Ride to Follow.

### Saturday, June 17, 8 AM

Breakfast ride to Reb's Cafe (1020 W. 4<sup>th</sup> St. Benson, Az. 520-856-8206). Meet at Chevron, Wilmot and I-10.Contact

Jeff Murch 520-603-3579 or TucsonArizonarep@aol.com.

Saturday, June 24,7 AM Breakfast ride to Wild Horse (309 McKeonwn Ave. Patagonia, Arizona, 520.394.2344) Meet at Chevron, I-10 & Wilmot. Contact Dwight Irwin 520-574-9670 or keek9553@gmail.com

Quotes sent in by Judy Aitken



### **Future Dates to Note:**

October 12-16, 2017 4-Corners
Rendezvous Tucson, Arizona. Tucson Area Retreads Motorcycle
Club hosting. Meeting hopefully
at Voyager RV Resort (Earl and
Dave to check w/ management).
See flyer/registration once available in our Tucson Area Newsletter.

Friday, December 15, 2017

Retreads Christmas Party Catered by Golden Corral. Music by: TBD.

Ticket prices: depends on rent for auditorium, catering and any other items the club may be paying for.

Please call the contacts indicated for each ride if you are going to participate. Plans may change and rides may head to a different location from those listed. Times shown are departure times—Be fueled and READY TO RIDE! Also, if the restaurant has an early head count they can provide us with better and faster service.



### Tucson Arizona Retreads Notes-March 2017

Get well soon wishes to Lee Aitken.

Mary-Ellen said that she and Billy would be leaving towards the end of March and be on the road until May or so. The newsletter may be combined as road travel makes publishing the newsletter a challenge. She encourages everyone to send her jokes, articles, anything that your feel our members may find interesting. Photos

too! It is always good to have several perspectives. Mary Ellen is at TucsonRtrdNews@aol.com

Roger Deevers told us all about in Philadelphia Pennsylvania (only in Philly) that motorcycles are allowed to turn left on red lights (motorcycle sometimes do not trigger the light to change to green). We also heard from Jim Rohlman about an identification bracelet (www.roadid.com) that helps first responders if you are injured in an accident.

Ellen McVay won the 50/50 raffle however she is unable to sell tickets at the next meeting. She asked and Nancy Hlady volunteered to sell them for Ellen.

Christmas party Saturday, December 16, 2017. We hope to be at the Tucson Estates Club house (in one of their rooms). The room can accommodate 150-200 people, so everyone hopefully will be able to attend our Christmas party. We are looking at options for music at the Christmas party. If you have suggestions you can send them to Jeff or Cecilia. Catering appears to be Golden Corral, as our alternatives are cost prohibitive.

We have set our 4 corners rendezvous for October 12-16, 2017 at Voyager RV park. We are still trying to meet with the manager to negotiate the prices for the room and food service. Looking at stuffers for information on Tucson, grocery bags (with our logo), rides/schedules, etc.

Jim Rohlman also said he saw a presentation by "Geeks on the road", they have a mobile router that can be used with your mobile phone to enable printing capability on the road. Router: Hootoo Wireless travel router.

Don't forget to check out members "For Sale" items in the newsletter.

Progressive dinner options, rides for next ride schedule (November 2017/ March or April 2018). Send in your suggestions.

Remember April 9 is our next meeting and it begins at 8AM (EARLIER time). Cecilia Murch

# **Ride Reports**

**Thursday, March 2, 2017** Lunch ride to Basha's Art Gallery in Chandler.

We had a record turn-out, two bikes!! "Easy Spyder Rider" and "Chip and Dale". A very sunny and pleasant day. The group stayed together for the entire 93-mile ride. It was well worth it, as this art gallery is certainly one of a kind, with hundreds of pieces of fantastic southwest Indian and Cowboy art of famous creators, some on loan from well-known museums; Katsina carvings, hand-woven baskets, Zuni carvings, paintings and, most impres-

sive, a huge collection of bronze sculptures. Adding to the intrigue were several very interesting stories of the artists lives. And it was free! Check out the pictures.

Joe and Donna







# Saturday, March 4, 2017

We occupied only 2 tables for Breakfast today. We all had an enjoyable meal and of course loads of conversation. No ride after but we all had a good time catching up and making plans to see each other at the monthly meeting if not sooner! Dwight and Carolyn Irwin, Cal and Rose Kimball, John and Ellen McVay, Roger Deevers, Lee Davis, Rich Herin, Jeff and Cecilia Murch all attended. See you Sunday, March 12th!. Jeff and Cecilia.

# Wednesday, March 8, Ride to Longhorn Restaurant, Tombstone Sent in by Johnny Dee









# March 12, After Monthly Meeting Ride

We started out with 8 motorcycles heading out to Gates Pass and McCain Loop. It was a beautiful day and the temperature was perfect. Joe and Donna were leading our ride on their Spyder and there were 2 additional Spyders in the group. The elevation of Gates Pass is 3,172 feet and is lined with scenic overlooks. The road was started in 1883 by Thomas Gates; in search of a shortcut through the Tucson Mountains. He was a local pioneer, and a saloon and ranch keeper. He purchased the land in order to build the road. McCain Loop has incredible views and I would assume beautiful sunsets in the evenings. A few of us split off early and more of us split off a little later. Thanks Joe, for leading us to a perfect ending for our meeting. Mary-Ellen Tyndall.



Photo of Carolyn guarding the 50/50 money sent in by Candy Harsh.

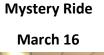
Carolyn had the 2 stacks of money being held down by a knife. Send me captions for this picture.

# Mystery Ride Thursday, March 16<sup>th</sup>

A fine group of 21 retread members rode with us on the Mystery Ride on one of our 90 degree days. It was very hot coming home. As we gathered at Park & Benson, several riders asked where we were going. The first answer was that it is a mystery ride and was a secret. However, we made an announcement just before leaving that we were going to a landing site and meet up with a satellite which would take us to the moon. A few chuckles. It was still a mystery. On leaving, we headed south on Park Street and onto Nogales Highway. We rode almost to Tubac on the Nogales Highway and the frontage road. We entered the I-19 freeway just before the Wedding Tent". We then went south on the freeway to Nogales, AZ and the intersection with the Patagonia Highway. 10 miles later, we turned off the highway to the "huge" Nogales International Airport. Inside, two ladies, Melissa and Lupita were waiting for us. They operate the lunch portion of the airport. This was the first time any motorcycle group had stopped for lunch and they were very excited to see us. Although several riders guessed where we were going, Aina Dickerson and Billy Tyndall were the only ones that guessed correctly. Both had landed there in the past. A sign on the wall, inside the building read "Flying Lessons.....\$1 to fly..... \$50 to land" Some of the group mentioned that they had never been there and the ride was an interesting mystery ride. Melissa invited us to come back again. However, I believe we overwhelmed them. It took several minutes for everyone to get their meal. Nancy & Glenn Yauney















Editors note: At the start of the ride Glenn told us we were going on a trip to the moon. As we finished lunch he told us we were all on our own for getting back to Tucson because he was leaving for the moon. Hope he is back by the next ride.



# March 15, Luncheon at El Indio Not just for Biker Chicks Luncheon

We had 9 people for the Luncheon at El Indio. The food and service began super, however we did wait and wait for our checks. We all had a great time and it is nice to have a good lunch and conversations. One of our newest members Gail Becker came too. Welcome Gail. It was a beautiful day so hopefully those that rode their bikes took the "long" way home. Cecilia Murch Attendees were Joe and Donna Curreri, Johnny Dee, Aina Dickerson, Cecilia Murch, Jan Jones, Liz Rose, Gail Becker and Candy Harsh.



# SAFETY CONCERNS

**Safety Officer** Roger Deevers,



# What Is A Zone

The word zone comes from the Latin word zona, meaning belt and the Greek: zone meaning grid. Most often we think of sectors or areas as being zones. When giving it some thought it seems there is a zone for nearly everything: Time zones, war zones, flood zones, safe zones, no-go zones. Can't forget the "De-Militarized Zone" in Korea. There's zoning laws or lack thereof restricting or allowing types of construction. The list goes on and on.

But what zones should be our primarily concern as we journey about. First to be thought of, most likely, would be speed zones followed by construction zones. Construction zones can present a particular hazard for us when we are allowed to travel on newly laid material with more than one level or dimension. Sometimes traffic is directed off of one surface to a drop off to a previously paved layer. This drop off can be two inches or more and if not approached at the right attitude can be very hazardous to motorcyclists. Cars and truck can merely steer off with a minor bump. A motorcyclist should have an angle of attack as close to ninety degrees as possible. That also would mean a rather slow approach to the changing elevation which may annoy motorists following behind. Too bad. Having to slow down to accommodate a motorcyclist performing a safe maneuver is far better than the biker being spilled on the pavement

Keep up on all of those good habits and remember, when in the "dry zone" of Arizona to keep up on your hydration so you don't go into the twilight zone and zone out



Goodbye Arizona Retreads until next December. We enjoyed all the rides and all the lunches we had with you all. If any of you manage to get to the east coast and are in the area of Asheville, NC this summer, please send me an email, <a href="mailto:tucsonrtrdnews@aol.com">tucsonrtrdnews@aol.com</a> or call Billy at 973-865-9241. Hopefully we can get together and show you some Southern Hospitality, great motorcycle roads, and good country & bluegrass music. Billy and Mary-Ellen Tyndall

Danger to Jump Pit of Deadly Rattlesnakes at Sturgis Buffalo Chip

Evel Knievel's 1972 Harley Davidson XR750 will again fly as Doug Danger fearlessly pilots it over a 120-foot pit filled with venomous prairie rattlers.





STURGIS, SD – January 5, 2017 – (Motor Sports Newswire) – An already crazy attempt by stuntman Doug Danger to make an under-powered vintage motorcycle sail 120 feet through the air across the Buffalo Chip amphitheater is becoming even more dangerous. This celebrated daredevil has agreed to have up to 2,000 live rattlesnakes placed in a pit beneath his path prior to the stunt. Danger plans to jump the pit of rattlesnakes at the Sturgis Buffalo Chip on Thursday, Aug. 10, 2017. More about the jump and the official announcement video can be found at <a href="http://www.BuffaloChip.com/RattlesnakeJump">http://www.BuffaloChip.com/RattlesnakeJump</a>.

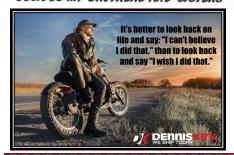
"Doug is a professional who's completed some incredible jumps, but this one is truly over the top," said Rod Woodruff, Sturgis Buffalo Chip President. "He's either the most courageous man I've ever met, or he's got a genuine lack of fear. While we are doing all we can to ensure the safety of everyone in the amphitheater, including Doug, the threat to his life is real. These poisonous vipers will kill him nearly instantly should he fail."

Prairie rattlers are known as one of the world's deadliest snakes. One bite of a rattlesnake can kill a healthy man in the matter of a few minutes. It is reported that anti-venom can cost as much as \$50,000 per injection, and an affected person may require several in order to survive, but only if administered in time. The snakes will be secured in holding tanks in an area designed to ensure the safety of all spectators.

The model of bike on which Danger will attempt this stunt further heightens the threat of receiving fatal rattlesnake bites. The 1972 Harley-Davidson XR750 was not engineered to leave the ground, nor was it manufactured to ensure a safe landing after doing so. But Danger has had a burning desire to jump this bike ever since seeing his hero, Evel Knievel, attempt both successful and not-so-successful stunts with the same bike.

### BIKER'S PRAYER

MAY THE SUN RISE IN FRONT OF ME MAY THE RAIN FALL BEHIND ME AND THE WIND FOLLOW ME MAY THE ANGELS OF MY BROTHERS AND SISTERS WHO HAVE GONE BEFORE ME GUARD MY TRAVELS FOR THEY KNOW THE PERILS OF THE ROAD AHEAD OF ME KEEP ME SAFE THROUGH THE ROUGH CITY STREETS ON MY WAY TO THE LAND OF SWIRLING TURN8 AND ROLLING HILLS LET THE COLOURS OF FALL KEEP ME WARM LET THE EAGLE GUIDE ME TO THE MOUN-TAINTOP8 LET THE MOONS LIGHT GUIDE ME THROUGH THE NIGHT MAY MY TYRES NOT FAIL ME NOR MY ENGINE GROW OLD MAY MY BIKE DRAW LIFE FROM THE STREAMS I PASS KEEP MY SEAT SOFT AND MY MIND SHARP LET THE AIR OF SPRING BREATHE LIFE INTO MY 80UL TO JOURNEY TO ANOTHER ADVENTURE BESIDES MY BROTHERS AND SISTERS



### Patience is a life-saver

While riding on Interstate 80, I approached a slower moving vehicle in the right lane. Checking my mirrors, I saw a faster moving tractor-trailer rig approaching in the passing lane. My attention was to slow down and wait for the truck to pass, and swing in behind it. Constantly checking the mirrors, I waited for the truck to pass. When it did, I started my swing into the left lane. To my surprise there was a van following the truck so closely that I had been unable to see it until it as right beside me.

Because I had reduced my speed I was able to swing back into my lane avoiding both the van and the immediate problem in front of me. It was a close call.

Waiting a few more seconds to allow the vehicles that can block your view totally clear your space, especially at interstate highway speed may save your life. It's a precaution worth taking. Al Lindsey, IL

Photo sent in by Judy Aitken



# 1998 Bustec Roadstar Cargo Trailer, \$ 1,500

The Roadstar Basic Motorcycle Trailer package has the same great features of the Roadstar Prestige. The Roadstar Motorcycle Trailer is designed to appeal to big cruiser owners who desire a nontraditional approach to motorcycle trailers....functional, handsome, quality engineered, yet somewhat different from the other Performance Sport Trailer Models that Bushtec builds. The result is the Roadstar, slightly smaller in size with its distinctive teardrop shape with exposed fenders and 21 cubic feet of storage, while still, maintaining the Bushtec Proprietary Air Ride suspension System.

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Contact Glenn Yauney, phone 503-387-5424 or 520-399-2945







Retreads tee shirts are for sale.

Without pocket is \$15.00

With pocket is \$17.00

Extra \$2. for 2X for either

These prices are for long sleeve

or short sleeve. See Cecilia or Jeff





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GL1800, Flip-out highway pegs \$200.00 OBO



FOR SALE: BMW R60 Wixom saddlebags and mounts plus Denfeld

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Cobra mufflers used On 2004 GL1800 \$200.00 OBO

If you are a member of the AMA please send me your Member ID and expiration Date. This helps us with our insurance (when we put on rally's/sanctioned events) costs (lowers it). If you can forward this information it would be greatly appreciated. Jeff Cecilia Murch

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# World's 10 Best Rides MAUI

Number 7 HANA HIGHWAY,

The spectacular coastline of the Hawaiian Island of Maui features on this 100km ride. It combines routes 36 and 360 between the town of Hana and Kahului airport on the north coast. There are more than 600 bends and about 60 bridges along the route that mainly runs through dense rainforest.

See hanamaui.com

If you are in New York, it is said The Glenn H. Curtis Museum in Hammondsport is a sight not to be missed. Glenn H. Curtis was building motorcycles in 1902. He became the "Fastest Man On Earth on 1907 on a V8-powered motorcycle.

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