

# RETREADS

### **Motorcycle Club**

May, 2022

TUCSON ARIZONA Monthly meetings: 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month

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

Location: Golden Corral Buffet & Grill 6865 N. Thornydale Road, Tucson, AZ

#### **April meeting notes:**

We had a few members who had not been present for quite some time. Don and Terry, Judy D, Jack and Jean. It was good to see everyone. Roger's safety message was "Proximity". Know what is around you. don't follow too close, make sure you do your head checks, allow plenty of stopping time, don't linger around 18-wheelers, etc. We have heard these messages many times however you can not state them enough. It only takes a moment for things to change! Keep alert and watch your surroundings. Our Christmas Party is tentatively Saturday December 3rd 2022 - Tucson Estates has new management so it maybe a while before we hear (manager just had twins and is working from home!). We want to give a big "Thanks" to Dan and Aina Dickerson for hosting the potluck. It was a great day to sit on the porch - eat and talk and take in the lovely desert landscape and wild life. Thank you again for opening your home to the group! We have a 152 members. We are moving into the "warm-warmer-hot" months of summer. Our rides will be early morning as it is just too warm to ride any later than 10-11AM. Many of our group will be departing for their home states and towns. Email notices of ride/dinner meet ups will be our method of communication. Our May meeting will be the first Sunday of May - as the second Sunday is Mother's Day. Mother's Day is just too crowded at any restaurant so we move it to the first Sunday. This is the only meeting that is different. Also Golden Corral does not open until 8 AM. All summer meeting times will be 8:30 - this allows everyone to get seated and settled before we begin our meeting.

For all you who have traveled home - we will miss you but look forward to seeing you again in the Fall.

Enjoy your summer - happy riding in your home states.

Hopefully many can make the international rally in Cherokee.



Jeff & Cecilia Murch



#### **SAFETY CONCERNS**

Roger Deevers, Safety Officer
CONSTANT VIGILANCE



#### THOUGHTS TO CONTEMPLATE

If your shadow is directly in front of you, the longer it is, the harder it is for oncoming traffic to see you. Shadows can also hide hazards on the road.

You can even be concealed behind a sign post to a driver.

Hope for the best, but prepare for the worst. Every ride presents a hazard. Dress for the wreck. Adjusting your techniques should not be done in traffic. Practice should be in a safe location, not in traffic.

The clutch is your friend to maintain control.

There may be something behind that truck turning in front of you. Approach cautiously.

Talking to yourself - aloud or mentally is a good thing. Goes with being self critical.

There are times when the bike isn't the best choice for transportation for example, in a rush. Distractions can produce zoning out. Stay focused, ride safe.

Roger

### **April Ride Reports**

Saturday/Sunday April 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> - Hwy. 101 Show Low, AZ

Left Tucson from I-10 & Wilmot @ 7AM with 10 bikes & 12 people, headed to Safford to refuel and have breakfast, proceeded north on Hwy 191(old Rt. 666) thru Clifton and Morenci. First leg of the twisties was careful going due to poor roads, but they improved as we went. Stopped @ a pull out around Hannigans Meadow for a break & recharge the internal batteries. The next leg to Eagar was good road, fast twisties, muy bueno, stopped for fuel & headed to Pine Top & Show Low for our respective hotel check-in. After check-in we all went to dinner @ Mr. Zekes all had a good meal and end to the first day. Next day went to breakfast and hit the road towards Tucson. Via Hwy. 60 to Globe has some great riding with plenty more twisties, we made a couple of stops to refresh and see the sights before Globe. Went straight thru to Winkleman for another break, then onto Tucson where we split up on our way home. Good friends, Good riding, Good times. Thanks to all for coming hope to do it again sometime. Thanks Papa Bear. Submitted by Bear Myles

### **April Ride Reports**

#### Wednesday April 6th Dolly Steamboat Tortilla Flats, AZ

We had 13 bikes and 18 rider/passengers meet at the Chevron on Oracle & Magee. There was some confusion about when KSU was to happen. Just about everyone was there by 8:30 so we were on the road at 8:45am.

The weather was perfect with our starting temperature in the low 70's. The first stop we made was in Florence. The initial plan was to take our time there and relax, BUT, we had an unexpected event happen. It was the first day of Country Thunder in Florence, and the motorhomes were lined up for miles waiting to get into their event on the north side of Florence. We made a command decision to leave the gas station early and trudge along in the endless line of motorhomes. After about 10 minutes, just waiting in the line, a police officer in a patrol SUV escorted us north in the southbound lane to go around the motorhomes. A big thanks to that officer for what he did for us. Back up to speed, we enjoyed a wonderful ride to Tortilla Flats next to Canyon Lake. The road to Tortilla Flats has a number of thrilling curves that most motorcyclists dream about to ride on. Traffic was light in the last 20 miles to our destination which added to the enjoyment of the ride.

The group enjoyed a wonderful lunch in the Tortilla Flats restaurant. After lunch the group mounted up to make a short trip back up the road we came in on to take a boat ride on the Dolly. Again, on a one and a half hour air conditioned tour around portions of Canyon Lake we took in the awesome sights of what Mother Nature created by volcanic activity thousands of years ago.

Thinking about what was happening in Florence, the majority of riders elected to go East to Superior and then down to Winkleman to avoid Florence. Even though it added about 45 minutes to the estimated travel time, it was worth it not to wait in an endless line of motorhomes around Florence. All in all, it was a very good day ride for the Retreads. *Submitted by Judy Aitken* 





#### Tuesday April 12th Beyond Bread Ladies Lunch Tucson, AZ

We went to Beyond Bread for lunch. Originally we were outside however the wind was just too much, so we moved inside. We had 9 Ladies, Aina D, Sandra B, Judy A, Judy D, Sue S, Lisa W, Nancy J, Cecilia M and her daughter Theresa with her twins. We had a nice lunch and conversation. After lunch we went to the "back dough" which is Beyond Breads pastry and treat shop. There they sell pies, quiche in small tins - so you can try items. We all departed and went our separate ways - wherever the wind blew (Ha Ha). Submitted by Cecilia Murch

### **April Ride Reports**

#### Wednesday April 13th Bisbee Breakfast Club Bisbee, AZ

We had 25 riders & passengers on 18 bikes. After construction & traffic challenges we arrived late & the reserved tables were already separated so seating was somewhat split up .Thanks to Dan & Aina for being such good sports and volunteering to sit apart from the group. The food was good as is always is the case. This was also a farewell ride to Dave Piper & Patio as they leave the next morning for Ohio! Submitted by Jim Rohlman

#### Sunday April 19th Taco Sunday Circle S Saloon Marana, AZ

26 Retread members on 14 motorcycles enjoyed a beautiful Easter morning ride, in 80 degree temps, to Circle S Café and Bar for Taco Sunday. *Submitted by Dennis & Arlyce Johnson* 

#### Saturday April 30th Feedlot Cafe Marana, AZ

14 Retreads on 9 motorcycle s enjoyed a Saturday ride to the Feedlot Cafe in Marana. Good food and

fellowship. Submitted by Dennis & Arlyce Johnson



Thursday, May 19, the Run For The Wall will be arriving for a fuel stop in Marana, at the Circle K. The 'Pack' will arrive at 7:59 am, however, before that, the Fuel Team will come in early to set up the gas station to prepare to fuel 500 motorcycles in about 20 minutes. Then, the Staging Crew will also come in early to set up where the motorcycles will stage after fueling. The Ambassadors will also be in early to thank and hand out RFTW pins to our Patriot Guard flag line and all the supporters. Road Guards will be staggering in depending on their jobs. Then, the pack comes in, fuels, stages in the pizza parking lot. A stage will be set up, and our morning briefing will take place.

To watch the motorcycles fuel is amazing to watch, kinda like a ballet. The morning briefing is also interesting. The Run will be in Marana 75 minutes, leaving at 9:14 am.

We would love for any Retreads to come, enjoy the experience, would you please post this in the May newsletter. For more information, go to www.rftw.us. Thanks, Judy Aitken





Tim Lamb

## facebook





#### Check us out

Here's the Facebook address: https://www.facebook.com/groups/292222730897903

Join the group and members to upload photos on our Retreads Facebook Page.



#### **John Kostelny Memorial**

Dan and Aina Dickerson did their re-do of the memorial on April 4th. The flag flies freely again! John was our Rep. for 3 years. He was a Motorcycle Safety Instructor and a retired officer in the U.S. Air Force. stationed some of the time in one of the Titan Missiles which surrounded Tucson years ago.

He was struck from behind on his motorcycle while stopped at the red light on Oracle and 1st Avenue and died at the scene. The memorial is on the right side of Oracle going north just before 1st.





#### Current Tucson Retread's T-shirt inventory

Note: colors are more expensive because our order was small quantity - we receive much better pricing if we can order 40-50 shirts at a time. White shirts are from an order several (probably 5 years ago).

Prices for everything have gone up.

- (1) Blue, pocket, large, short sleeve \$30
- (2) Red, pocket, large, short sleeve \$30
- (1) Gray, pocket, large, short sleeve \$30
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May 19-21 2022 Mid Atlantic Rally Bird in Hand, PA

June 13-16 2022 Retread's International Rally Cherokee, NC

July 14-17th Four Corner's Rally Payson, UT

www.tucsonmotorcycleclub.com

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Date Sunday, May 15<sup>th</sup> Taco Sunday

Kick Stands Up 11:00 AM

Meet @ restaurant. Please Let

Meet location Dennis Johnson know if you |

attend.

Ride Contact Dennis Johnson

**Contact phone** 520-971-5015

Contact e-mail ddjtucson@hotmail.com

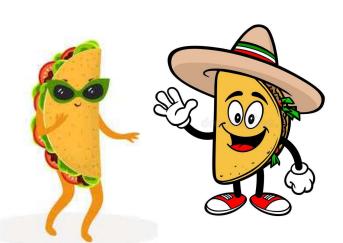
**Destination** Circle S Saloon

Address 16021 W. El Tiro Road

City, Zip Code Marana, AZ 85653

Notes Drive out to Circle S for Taco special (other food

too)



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### **May Birthdays**

Jim Selvy	5/1	Tami Bruhn-Nelson	5/14
Nancy Hlady	5/2	Sue Starr	5/15
Jeff Prupis	5/2	Jean Scott	5/19
Edward Jones	5/3	Bill Duffner	5/20
Dwight Irwin	5/5	Patricia Novotny	5/22
John Hlady	5/6	Doug Fifield	5/25
Candy Harsh	5/7	Ron Huffstutter	5/25
Mary Jo Keating	5/13	Memorial Day	5/30

### **Retread's Marketplace**

The Retreads is a club for motorcycle enthusiasts 40 years old plus. We don't care what you ride Membership is \$20 per single and \$25 per couple.

If you are a member of the AMA please send me your Member ID and expiration Date. This helps us lower our insurance when we put on rallies and sanctioned events. If you can forward this information it would be greatly appreciated. Jeff & Cecilia Murch

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