



RETREADS

Motorcycle Club

April, 2021

TUCSON
ARIZONA

Monthly meetings: 2nd Sunday of each month

When: April 11th special start time 9:00 AM (See next page for further details)

Location: Golden Corral 6865 N. Thornydale Road, Tucson, Arizona

March meeting notes:

As usual we enjoyed seeing everyone, even if it was virtual. It was great to see everyone's smiling faces! Roger Deevers reminded us to pay attention. There are many distractions out on the roads. The drivers who are still on their cell phones, the visitors (our assumption) that are traveling well below the speed limit and checking out everything, the road construction, salespeople on the corners with their signs, the impatient drivers who pass on the right and you are in the right lane (bus lanes, etc.) and of course the potholes, alligators (tires) and slick tar snakes on our streets. So much to pay attention!

Dennie Stone is having a tough time and we wish him speedy recovery. If you want to call best to call Jean as Dennie can't always get to his phone. Jean is at 706-781-9879. Lee Davis is still recovering too. We have distributed our yearbook/photo directory to everyone. So now you can reach out to talk to someone. Speaking of yearbooks if you find an error please let us know so we can send out the correction. We put the correction in the newsletter so you can update your books. 4 Corners Rally - Judy said the hotel is getting full so if you are planning on attending please make your reservations soon. Also, we will be sending out a "donation form" to give to businesses that you patronize requesting donations for prizes for the rally.

New Business:

We currently have 143 memberships.

Just a reminder that the Alphabet tour books are due by March 31st, 2021.

Ladies luncheon is at Silver Saddle, meet at 11:30, date changed to April 7th (Wednesday) because the restaurant is closed on Monday and Tuesday.

Check out the cookbook – we are collecting recipes from all our cooks to compile and print our very own cookbook. Look for the T-shirt order form – set up a new request so everyone can order the shirts they want in the color and sleeve length they desire.

Next meeting is April 11 at 9 AM at Golden Corral. Depending upon the number who attend we may also have a virtual meeting at another date in April. Please let me know what makes you feel comfortable. As always this is OUR club/group and together we make it ours.

We will collect pop tabs, socks and toiletries and food or check for the Community Food Bank of Southern Arizona. If you have a collection let me know and we can make arrangements for a pickup. Congratulations to Roger Deevers on the purchase of new bike (new to Roger). Also, John and Ellen McVay have purchased a Park model home in the Voyager. And most of us in Tucson celebrated (March 13th) because we received measurable RAIN!!!

Jeff & Cecilia Murch



Sunday April 11th, 2021 marks our return to in person monthly meetings at the Golden Corral Restaurant. Meet at restaurant at 9 AM. **MASK are required for entry and while in public areas.** We are trying this to see if we can begin meeting again as a group. We may continue the Zoom meetings for a few more months -- until everyone is comfortable. We want everyone to be safe and comfortable. Please send you feedback before or after to voice your concerns or views. We all are part of this wonderful club!



SAFETY CONCERNS

Roger Deevers, Safety Officer

CONSTANT VIGILANCE



SIGHTS AND SOUNDS

What we call fun and liberating might be frightening and repulsive to others who don't have our perspective. Some of those who reject our interest might like jumping off of the high dive at the swimming pool when perhaps we wouldn't. Isn't being whisked along on our bikes, and in some cases trikes, feeling the openness a wonderful adventure that just can't be had in an enclosed vehicle? Jumping off of the high dive into the water is too brief for us. Plus traveling down the open road and even negotiating traffic is a more lasting experience. All of that openness exposes us to things that aren't noticed in an enclosed vehicle. I recall the first time I heard a vehicle go over a cattle guard when on the bike. That was startling to say the least. All the things that are visible to us but previously ignored are now quick glances to take notice of and to be enjoyed. Even odors that were previously unnoticed are detected. To add some humor to the subject, we can enjoy the full benefit of diesel exhaust and decaying road kill.

Heightened awareness to sights and sounds should help keep us safe on our journeys. The key word there is "should." Absolutely safe is simply not achievable. Watching for what can reach out and grab us reduces the risks. Trucks or trailers piled high with anything and everything merit extra scrutiny. When pieces of tires appear, expect to see more and perhaps larger chunks, maybe even the whole tread. When approaching an intersection be ready to apply the brakes. Never assume, because you have the green light that you can whiz through an intersection oblivious. As always, that most important head check when merging and changing lanes simply must be in your habit pattern. While we can never be absolutely safe, paying attention to sights and sounds "should" yield a fun and liberating riding experience.

RIDE SAFE

Roger

March Ride Reports

March 6th Very mysterious MYSTERY RIDE

23 Retreads showed up for a "short" MYSTERY RIDE". One brand new member, Steve German, even showed his application to me to prove he belonged. We had 17 bikes or trikes and 1 car when we started. We broke into 2 groups and followed Dan and then Aina out of the gas station -through the BACK! When we came out on Magee Rd. we turned right and crossed over Oracle Rd., then suddenly, turned right at the light on Northern. We had told the group to be prepared for some weird turns. Then, just as quick, we turned left on Cool Dr. Just about 7 houses later we turned into the "parking lot" at the Dickerson Private Park. Official distance, 1.0 miles (Butch had set his odometer). The back porch and patio were covered with (well-spaced) tables, chairs, benches, and etc. After laughing and complaining about how tired they were, the riders opened their brown bags and everyone enjoyed their lunch. There was water and a rest room available, and Aina had cookies for dessert.

The "Park's" wildlife kept us entertained - we saw lots of birds, 2 Harris Hawks did a flyover, there were a couple of rabbits, and one coyote passed by before everyone left. The diehards were enthralled by Dave Piper's stories: No "once upon a time" stuff - just plain "one time when a bunch of us had a few beers"... The laughter was uproarious! The wind died down, the sun was shining, and hopefully everyone had a great ride home.

Submitted by Aina Dickerson

March Ride Reports

March 9th Ladies Lunch to Hungry Fox Restaurant

A few (very few) raindrops falling as 17 Retreads made their way to the Hungry Fox for lunch. The back room was set up for us and we had one waiter who was very efficient and friendly. The following were in attendance: Gaylene, Ellen McVay, Ellen Davidson, Mary Jo, Dottie, Barb, Gail, Deb, Sheila, Liz, Pat, Nancy J, Rebecca, E.J., Candy, Cecilia and Aina. Nancy introduced her cute granddaughter for one of the highlights of the afternoon. The tables were set up in a big "U" shape, so we had a real variety of visiting methods. Cecilia showed some very pretty tote bags and sent the card of the maker around for interested people to photograph. Poor Rebecca received a "help me" call from Rich whose bike had quit, so she was off to the rescue. At least her food had just been served and a box was handy. Everyone seemed to like the place and several explored the little gift shop right in the entrance of the restaurant. *Submitted by Aina Dickerson*

March 24th Mystery Ride to Coyote Pause

Aina was on the phone at 11:20 AM with the mystery restaurant asking if they could handle more than twice the number of people. After a little conference, the manager said "Bring 'em on!" We had 34 bikes, trikes and at least 2 sidecar rigs for Dan's 'MYSTERY RIDE'. That means 46 riders, but I think we lost at least one on the way. We split into two groups, second one led by Aina, and off we went. First we headed south, then west, then north (where the heck is he going??), The guesses were flying... (hey, the casino!, no, Golden Corral) then east, then southeast (We can't eat at the Mission), then north. Then, at Irvington Road we turned west then north again on (aha!) Kinney Rd. (Tiny's!!) We all made it through the construction zone and FINALLY found a left turn into the parking lot for COYOTE PAUSE! They had added tables in the patio area so we were all accommodated and had a leisurely lunch. We kept them open past their closing time, but the food was good, the service was super and the manager, Deb Davis, said we should all come back. Now, everyone was mounting up to head out, except... Ellen's Virago refused to start, no matter what was tried. Many thanks to all who helped, but we finally gave up and gave Ellen a ride home (not too far - on Mission Road) and she brought back her trailer. Thanks to Earl, Liz, Tom, Gail, Dan and Aina who got her on her way. It was a lovely day and it was so nice to see so MANY (WOW) at the meet place. I hope everyone had as much fun as I did! *Submitted by Aina Dickerson*

March 17th St. Patrick's Day Corned Beef and Cabbage lunch ride

28 members of our club on 18 motor cycles enjoyed a beautiful ride through the Tucson County and Saguaro National Parks to Circle S Saloon to celebrate St Patrick's Day. The lunch special was corn beef and cabbage. *Submitted by Dennis Johnson*

March 20th ride to Florence River Bottom Grill.

Beautiful day - just perfect. 19 people on 14 bikes made the trip up to Florence. Outdoor sitting under the ramada's or trees made for a great breakfast location. Good service and food. Once we had breakfast and conversed for a while we split up. Some had obligations and went back a few took the loop to Superior, Kearny, Winkelman and back to Tucson. A few more stopped for ice cream at Freddys. Thank you Stephen for leading us on a wonderful ride. *Submitted by Cecilia Murch*

March 21st Taco Sunday

Another B-E-A-U-T-I-F-U-L day for a Taco Sunday Ride. We have 17 bikes and one car, with 24 people meet at the AM/PM and headed through Saguaro West National Park. Upon arrival we were joined by another 17 people for a total of 41. Gumpy was here usual "grumpy self" and her and Dave sparred as usual. A fun time was had by all. *Submitted by Dave Piper*



Ron Huffstutter 5/25

Leigh Huffstutter 9/19

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RETREADS® Regional/State Rallies & Events

Coffeyville RETREADS® April Fools Rally

April 2-3 , 2021

Walter Johnson Park, Coffeyville, Kansas

[http://www.retreads.org/2021 April Fool Rally.pdf](http://www.retreads.org/2021%20April%20Fool%20Rally.pdf)

North Arkansas RETREADS® Spring Fling Rally

May 20-22 2021

Mountain View RV Park

Mountain View, Arkansas

[http://www.retreads.org/Spring Fling 2021.pdf](http://www.retreads.org/Spring%20Fling%202021.pdf)

Western Pennsylvania RETREADS® Rally

July 19-21 2021

Erie, Pennsylvania

[http://www.retreads.org/2021 WPA Rally Registration.pdf](http://www.retreads.org/2021%20WPA%20Rally%20Registration.pdf)

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Welcome Gaylene Clark as our new Sunshine Lady. Thanks Gaylene!



New Members

Steve German



Date Wednesday April 7th Ladies Lunch
Meet Time 11:30 AM
Meet location Silver Saddle
Ride Contact Aina Dickerson
Contact phone 520-971-1387
Contact e-mail scooterdan@msn.com
Destination Silver Saddle
Address 310 E. Benson Hwy.
City, Zip Code Tucson, AZ 85713



Date Sunday, April 18th Taco Sunday
Time 10:00 AM
Meet location AM/PM Park & Benson Hwy.
Ride Contact Dave Piper
Contact phone 443-878-5200
#Contact e-mail piperduke0637@yahoo.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)



April Birthdays

Bob Corio	4/2	Roger Gangwer	4/16
EJ Foreman	4/5	Dixie Hayes-Cornia	4/16
John Dibeneditto	4/12	Ellen Davidson	4/22
Judy Aitken	4/13	Henrietta Hennings	4/28

Retread's Marketplace

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Show Low was named after a poker game played between two early settlers. They agreed to let a game of cards decide who was to get the 100,000 acre ranch and who was to move on. One of them said, "If you can show low, you win." The other one turned up the deuce of clubs and replied, "show low it is." Show Low got its name from that card game & Show Low's main street is named "Deuce of Clubs" in remembrance.

In the heart of the White Mountains is a cool, refreshing alpine setting with mountain peaks and lush forest. Tall pines, crystal mountain lakes, dozens of creeks & rivers that meander from the mountain slopes. At an elevation of 7,200 feet, features cool refreshing summer temps and is known for its beauty and adventure.

HOST HOTEL: DAYS INN, 480 W. Deuce Of Clubs, Show Low, AZ. (928) 537-4356

Days Inn offers a free hot, made-to-order breakfast. Outdoor pool, laundry and free parking for RV's.

Show Low Café at the hotel offers lunch and dinner, with Happy Hour cocktails in the bar.

Group room rate: (mention RETREADS 4 CORNERS) \$80 Queen / \$85 King – Rate cut off 7/25

DATES: Arrival & Registration: **TUESDAY, JULY 27,** noon to 4 pm. Depart: **SATURDAY, JULY 31.**

Beautiful scenic motorcycle rides on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. Hospitality Room with snacks and water. Thursday evening, Ice Cream Social. Friday evening Group dinner with Award Ceremony and prizes. Depart Saturday July 31.

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REGISTRATION: COST: \$40.00 per person

NAME (s): _____

ADDRESS: _____ PHONE: _____

RETREAD # and AMA # _____

EMAIL FOR CONFIRMATION: _____ TOTAL _____ X \$40.00

Please send above information & a check payable to RETREADS 4 CORNERS REGION

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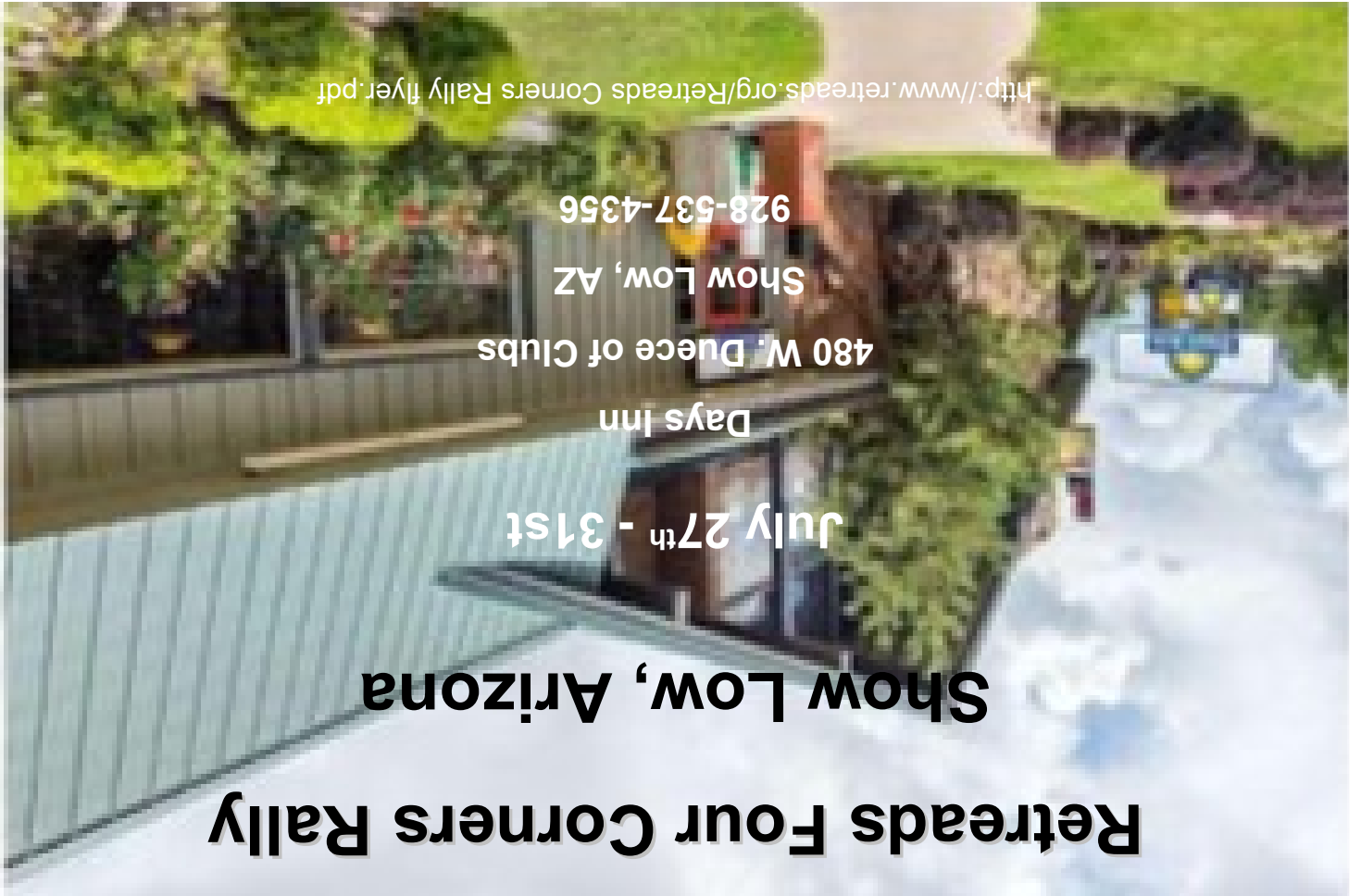
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