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## Motorcycle Club

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November 6  
Election Day



November 11  
Veterans Day



November 22  
Thanksgiving Day

**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, TucsonRtrdNews@aol.com. The Tucson Area Rep. and the newsletter editor reserve the right to edit all materials submitted for newsletter publication.

### RIDE SCHEDULE

#### November Rides

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

#### Wednesday, November 7, 10:30AM

Lunch ride to Sunny D's Restaurant (424 N. Huachuca Blvd, Huachuca City, AZ. 520.255.7468). Meet at Chevron I-10 & Wilmot

#### Thursday, November 8, 1130AM

Ladies Luncheon. Meet at Double L (1830 Fourth Ave. Tucson, Az. 85713 520.792.1585) Contact: Cecilia Murch 520.603.4350 or TucsonArizona-Rep@aol.com

#### Sunday, November 11, 9AM

Regular monthly meeting @ Golden Corral (6865 N Thornydale)

#### Monday, November 12, 8AM

#### Veteran's Day Parade

Gather for Parade. After Parade Lunch ride to R & R Pizza (161 S. Huachuca St. Benson, Az, 85602, 520.586.2000). Contact: Judd Starr 520-664-5952 or starrjs92@gmail.com

**Wednesday, November 14, 9:30 AM** Lunch ride to Buckboard Cafe (1111 US-60, Superior, Az. 85173 520.689.5800). Meet at Chevron, Oracle & Magee.

#### Friday, November 16, 5:30PM

Dinner (meet at restaurant) CattleTown Restaurant (3141 E. Drexel Rd Tucson, Az. 520.295.1141).

#### Sunday, November 18, 10 AM

Taco Sunday at Circle S Saloon (16021 W. El Tiro, Marana, Az. 520.682.5377). Meet at AM/PM, Benson Hwy & Park Ave. Contact: Dave Piper 443-878-5200 or piper-duke0637@yahoo.com

#### Wednesday November 21, 11AM

Lunch. Mi Tierra Restaurant. 16238 N. Oracle Rd, Catalina, Az. 520-825-3040. Meet at Chevron, Oracle & Magee

#### Saturday, November 24, 10AM

Lunch ride Tortilla Flat Restaurant (1 Main Street, Tortilla Flat, Az 85190) 480.984.1776. Meet at Chevron, Oracle & Magee. Contact: Jeff Murch 520.603.3579 or TucsonArizonarep@aol.com

#### Wednesday, November 28, 10AM

Lunch Ride to Bisbee Breakfast Club (75 Erie St, Bisbee.) 520.432.5885 Meet at Chevron at I-10 and Wilmot.

**Please call the contact names indicated for each ride if you are going to participate. Times Shown are Departure Times. Be Fueled up and Ready to Go**

## Tucson Arizona Retreads Notes-October 2018



We have several guests today at our meeting. Doug and Judy Fifield had their granddaughter. Dennis and Arlyce Johnson had their grandsons. Burleigh and Julie Witham brought their friends from Canada. We also welcomed back many of our snowbirds. Our group is filling up with our snowbird population. Good to see everyone and to visit and catch up. Roger Deevers brought to our attention that E-15 is a reality. About 1,200 of 22,000 service stations across the county carry E-15, which lowers our fuel efficiency. Typically, it is marked with a blue handle. It is an option, and hopefully it will remain as an option. Another item is "Lane Filtering", which appears to be the same as "lane splitting". Lastly, he spoke about autonomous vehicles and trucks. One of points brought up was how do we tell we are next to an autonomous vehicle or semi? They should be labeled. And the fact that they do not recognize motorcycles; Roger stated AMA is continuing to press the companies that are making/testing these vehicles to add motorcycles to their testing routine.

Doug Fifield won the 50/50 raffle and the job of 50/50 seller at our November 2018 meeting. Doug will miss next month meeting—we will catch him next time.

New Business: We had a guest, Debbie Seifert, Tucson Director of Operations of Military Assistance Mission. *Office 520-228-7205; Cell 520-990-2302 or email [Debbie@azmam.org](mailto:Debbie@azmam.org)*. We voted to bring unwrapped gifts to our Christmas Party. Lee and Judy will take our collections to Debbie after our Christmas party. Debbie is requesting gifts for Pre-Teens and Teenagers, as she gets many donations suitable for younger children and the Pre-Teen and Teens are frequently forgotten. She is looking to fill the gap for the Pre-Teens and Teenagers of service personnel whose wages are E6 or lower. Debbie suggested we talk to our grandkids or great grandkids to get ideas of what this group would like. Some ideas were makeup, Cologne, body washes/sprays (men or women); socks, jewelry, etc. If all else fails monetary donations would be used to purchase gifts.

Christmas party is December 1<sup>st</sup>. It is a Saturday! We have the band and Tucson Estates for our venue!

We have business that the club needs to discuss. We discussed the subject of "impromptu" versus "club" rides. The consensus was that, if there is someone who wants to "do something different" they should use the call list to invite others to join. If there is plenty of notice (5 or more days) then we will send out an invite via email, as long as it does not conflict with a previously scheduled ride. We hope that everyone supports our club activities. We try to have our rides travel in all directions so that everyone can enjoy "the ride". This also led into a discussion about making sure that "non-members" sign a waiver before riding with us on a club ride. We did talk about "photos" of our club members, but no firm plans were made. A few suggestions were a photo booth, or a "location" selected where you and your machine could be featured.

We had signup sheets for the Gaslight outings, Oro Valley Gaslight Murder Mystery and Oro Valley Concert series.

Tee Shirts were disturbed and payments can be made in cash or check, checks made out to Retreads. We will re-order more, so if you like a color or did not put an order in; you have time to place your order.

As always this is OUR club/group and together we make it ours. Cecilia

It's time for all Retreads members to re-application and submit your dues. This is organization to stay in existence. Cecilia So, please help them out and submit your possible. Renewal forms are available from them or refer to page 6 of this newsletter for a renewal form.



new their membership. Please fill out the routine and necessary for our Retreads or-and Jeff need to keep us running on track. dues and paperwork to them as soon as possible.

## Ride reports

### Wednesday, October 3, Ride to Three Points restaurant.

Dave Piper, Dennis Johnson and Roy Woolard made the ride and enjoyed a B.E.A.U.T.F.U.L. ride ( yes, Dave is back!). Submitted by Dave Piper

### Saturday, October 6, Breakfast at the American Legion.

We had a crowd, Burleigh and Julie Witham, Dave Piper, Roger Deevers, Charlie Hoover, Dwight and Carolyn Irwin, Lee Davis and his visitor Lucas, Van Hartline and Jeff and Cecilia Murch. Also Roy Woolard stopped by and introduced two potential new members, Keith and Pat. We all enjoyed the food and conversation. Once outside we had a personal tour of Dave Piper's new bike. He never tries of talking about the new Gold Wing. We have to wonder if he is a paid spokes person ???? Jeff and Cecilia

### Wednesday, October 11, 2018

Lunch ride to Zula's in Nogales.

We had 4 bikes and 6 people attend. Dave was a ride captain and he took us through the back roads as much as possible. It was very pleasant the landscape was green. We had a good lunch and stuck around to keep Dave and Iris company as they were waiting for a dentist appointment in Nogales at 4PM. Those solving the worlds problems (even if the world did not know it was our mission) were Dave and Iris, Jeff and Cecilia, Roy and Tom.

We headed our separate ways around 3:30. Enjoyed the food and company. Jeff and Cecilia

### Thursday, October 12, 2018

#### **Lunch at Dragon's View**

It was scheduled as a Ladies luncheon but it happened that both Jeff and Cecilia had the day off--so Jeff came. Dave Piper was kind enough to bring Iris. Don't worry us Ladies still had a good lunch and enjoyed the companionship. They have a buffet and we all enjoyed eating, talking and of course more eating. Nancy Johns and her neighbor Judy, Judy Aitken, Julie Witham, Iris and Dave, Cecilia and Jeff rounded out the group. If you missed this one there is another one in November. Jeff and Cecilia

**We met at Oracle and Magee (Chevron).** Jeff and Cecilia Murch, Dave Piper, Rich Herin, Merle and Edna Piper, Earl and Liz Rose, Charlie Broder. We rode to Oracle Patio Cafe. They were ready for us (water already on the table). Everyone enjoyed their breakfast (you can order lunch at Breakfast too). We were outside (we asked for the patio); a tad chilly but as we ate and conversed it did warm up. Most everyone had "chores" but Dave, Jeff and Cecilia were free so they made the big loop- Oracle to Globe to Miami/Superior and back to Winkelman. Then we stopped at Mi Pueblito for a late lunch. Very good, we figure it would hold 30 people inside with more seating outside. Thanks to Jack and Jean Scott for recommending the restaurant--it was great. Then we decided we better begin our travel home. The weather was warm to warmer (87-90 during part of our loop trip). As Dave would say BEAUTIFUL. See you all next ride. Jeff and Cecilia

**Los Agaves Restaurant in Green Valley** was the destination of today's ride. Dan and Aina led the ride for Sue and me. We of coarse had to take our pickup because Sue isn't allowed to ride the trike for a while. so a big thanks to Dan and Aina. The ride started at the gas station at Wilmot and I-10, headed south to Sahuari-ta Road west to Old Nogales Rd. and south. With all the wonderful rain we've had the

desert is so lush and green. It's nice to see and hopefully there will be lots of spring flowers. There were 8 bikes and one pickup with 11 folks at a delicious lunch. After lunch and some chit chat folks headed their own way back home. Submitted by Judd & Sue.



Jokes from Judy





## Safety Concerns

Roger Deevers, Safety Officer

### Are You invisible?



**Not really but sometimes we are simply not seen by others.**

Example: A gentleman recently told me that he was involved in a collision with a motorcycle. The bikers were riding two up. The event was in the evening after sun down and he wanted to stop for some ice cream. A vehicle in front of him turned left into the business access and he followed. Suddenly there was a loud crash. He couldn't understand what had happened because he didn't see anything. Getting out of his car he found a motorcycle and the two riders on the pavement and the bike partially under his vehicle. In trying to understand what had happened the only thing he could think of was that the motorcycle and riders' image was obscured by a lighted ground level sign. They were invisible to him. Fortunately the injuries sustained by the bikers were not extremely serious.

#### Some Stats

In 2016, 4,976 motorcycle riders and passengers died in crashes, and nonfatal injuries that year totaled 88,000, according to *Injury Facts® 2017*, the statistical compendium on unintentional deaths and injuries published by NSC. Fatalities among motorcycle riders and passengers have increased nearly 3% from 2006, driven largely by an 8% increase in 2015.

- Motorcycles make up 3% of all registered vehicles and only .7% of all vehicle miles traveled in the U.S.
  - Motorcyclists accounted for 13% of all traffic fatalities in 2016
  - 26% of riders who died in a motorcycle crash in 2016 were alcohol-impaired
- 91% of riders who died in a motorcycle crash in 2016 were male

#### Do Drivers Ever Think About Motorcycles?

"When motorcycles and other vehicles collide, it is usually the other (non-motorcycle) driver who violates the motorcyclist's right of way," according to an issue statement from NHTSA. "There is a continuing need to help other motorists 'think' motorcycles and to educate motorcyclists to be aware of this problem."

Why do drivers often violate motorcyclists' right of way?

- Motorcycles are relatively small and drivers don't see them
  - Drivers don't anticipate motorcycles' movements
  - The driver's view of the motorcyclist is obstructed, often by the vehicle's blind spots or other vehicles
- The driver is distracted

36% of All Fatalities in 2016 Were Older Riders

Riders 50 and older made up 36% of all motorcycle fatalities in 2016, according to the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety. So-called "re-entry riders," who rode in their 20s and decided to take it up again in their late 40s to 60s face additional challenges today: more traffic, more powerful bikes, more distracted drivers and diminished physical skills.

If you're going to ride a motorcycle, it's important to commit to a lifetime of learning new skills and brushing up on the old ones.

#### Skill and Gear Can Protect You

A helmet is the most important equipment a biker can use. In 2016, 1,876 motorcyclists who died were not wearing a helmet.

Helmets are estimated to be 37% effective in preventing fatal injuries for operators and 41% for passengers, according to *Injury Facts® 2017*.

- A full-coverage helmet offers the most protection



- Look for the DOT sticker, which guarantees the helmet meets safety standards required by law
- Never buy a used helmet; helmets are useless after they've been worn in a crash
- Not every state has a helmet law, but even if yours doesn't, wear one anyway. A motorcycle crash is a "violent event." More than 80% of all reported motorcycle crashes result in injury or death, according to NHTSA.

In addition to wearing a helmet:

Choose a bike that fits you; "supersport bikes" have driver death rates about four times that of cruisers or standard bikes, according to the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety

- Invest in anti lock brakes
- New riders should take a motorcycle safety course, and experienced riders should take refresher courses after being off their bikes for a while
- Know the rules of the road
- Be aware that riding with a passenger requires considerably more skill
- Never drink and ride
- Drive defensively, especially at intersections, where half of all collisions occur
- Watch for hazards like potholes, manhole covers, oil slicks, puddles, debris, railroad tracks and gravel
- Assume you are invisible to other motorists and position yourself to be seen
- Use headlights day and night
- Be courteous; don't weave in and out of lanes, or ride on the shoulder or between lanes
- Don't speed
- Wear bright and/or reflective clothing that is durable and boots that cover the ankles

Wear goggles, glasses or use a face shield that is ventilated to prevent fogging, and make sure it's clear if riding at night

Ride Safe

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SKULLY Technologies Becomes First to Market With Its FENIX AR Smart Helmet

***Augmented Technology Pioneer's New Leadership Takes Company from Humble, Crowd-funded Start to Efficient Manufacturer***

ATLANTA, GA – September 216, 2018 – **SKULLY Technologies**, designer and manufacturer of augmented reality (AR) that enrich and make for a safer riding experience, announces the company has begun rolling out shipment of its SKULLY FENIX AR motorcycle helmet – the first “smart helmet” to reach the market. “We’re so excited to begin shipping the first of the SKULLY FENIX AR helmets,” said Ivan Contreras, co-founder and CEO of SKULLY Technologies. “Out of our passion for personal mobility and safety, we’ve created a whole new caliber of rider experience that is unprecedented in today’s market.” Ivan and Rafael Contreras, successful serial entrepreneur cousins purchased the assets of Skully, Inc., a Silicon Valley start-up unable to bring the product to fruition. With deep expertise in mobility and advanced material design, the cousins share a vision for intelligent and sustained mobility globally that was born from their advanced studies at MIT. They brought in a management team with expertise in launching billion-dollar brands, named the company SKULLY Technologies, and in less than 18 months, finished development and added to the capabilities of its innovative helmet. The FENIX AR is the world’s most intelligent smart helmet, bringing riders a unique, unparalleled experience that offers increased safety and optimal connectivity. The hotly anticipated FENIX AR features:

A sleek design with heads-up display, Turn-by-turn navigation, Voice control Rearview camera,

Smartphone integration with Bluetooth, Hands-free music controls, Anti-fog visor, DOT certification

Over 60,000 motorcycle enthusiasts have joined the SKULLY community to follow the company’s progress. “The SKULLY Nation has been unlike any community to ever surround a mobility product like this before even hitting mass production,” says John Lauten, COO of SKULLY Technologies. “We’re proud to deliver on our promise to this robust community and excited to receive their feedback on this sophisticated, high-tech, durable helmet. *SKULLY Technologies*

It doesn’t matter if you ride a road bike, mountain bike or motorcycle, a good helmet is vital to staying safe. But in this day and age, even the simple helmet is getting a high-tech makeover, with all kinds of smart elements being added. Once the stuff of science fiction, smart helmets are now a very real product, bringing built-in microphones, speakers, rear-facing cameras, and many other helpful features with them. The best smart helmets combine several of these gizmos to make your riding experience safer and more enjoyable.



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Tucson Retreads

Christmas Party

December 1, 2018

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

Jeff & Cecilia Murch

Quotes from Judy Aitken



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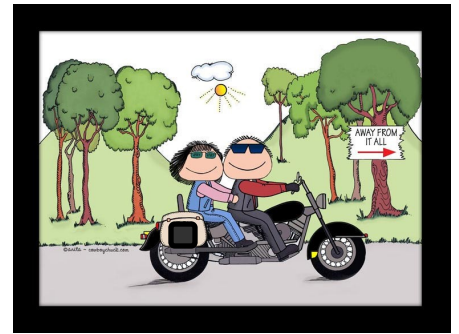
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