

RETREADS

Motorcycle Club®

June, 2023

TUCSON ARIZONA Monthly meetings: 2nd Sunday of each month

When: Breakfast @ 8:00 AM, Meeting @ 8:30 AM

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

May meeting notes:

We had a small but energized crowd for our Mother's Day meeting. We were surprised to see Joe and Donna Curreri as they normally are back home by this time. Their bike is still awaiting a part - so they joined us. Very nice to have a few snow birds still sticking around. We hit 100 a few weeks ago (single day) - since then it has been nice 80's-low 90's. Weather is just not going to be tamed - can't tell what it will do. We are very happy to report the wonderful weather is sticking around. We also were thrilled to have George Buchanan attend our meeting - he is mending and trying to get off our "Sunshine Report". We hear Dave Piper and Edna Piper are making progress and getting around a little better each day. Bob Farrell is scheduled for surgery May 22. We will send out "get well wishes". No other Sunshine items to report.

We are gearing up for International Rally in Grand Junction - there is still time to register and attend. We have several groups traveling to the rally. A few are leaving about a week or so early to enjoy the Colorado countryside. We do have a group that is leaving Sunday, July 30 at 5 AM (KSU -Speedway gas station, Oracle and Magee) going up through St. Johns and stopping for the night at Gallup, New Mexico. Next day traveling to Grand junction. Each day is ~ 300 mile ride. Call or email Jeff and Cecilia if you want to join (if you have not already committed).

Roger Deevers shared with us that we all need to check our motorcycle insurance policies. It was brought to his attention that if your state requires helmets and you are involved in an accident you had better have your helmet on your head. There have been recent experiences where accident claims are not paid or payment is reduced because the driver/rider was not complying with the local laws. Roger had statistics and we had a few testimonials from members that "Helmets" saved their lives. Roger always reminds us that safety protection is a personal choice and when it is is you against the road - the road wins. Protect yourself.

Our membership grew to 139!. Barb Darr (our newest member as of April) brought two friends who joined at the meeting. Welcome Ron and Kay! Happy birthday to all of our May birthday members! (as usual we sang loudly and off key). See everyone June 11th at Golden Corral.



Jeff & Cecilia Murch



SAFETY CONCERNS

Roger Deevers, Safety Officer
CONSTANT VIGILANCE



ARE ROADS MADE FOR US?

ISSUE STATEMENT: Roadway design, maintenance, and construction are generally directed toward the needs of multi-wheel vehicles, with the needs of motorcycles often addressed as an afterthought if at all.

WHERE WE ARE: Poor road design and maintenance contribute to motorcycle crashes, injuries, and fatalities. A variety of common road conditions and design factors can pose hazards to motorcyclists. Debris on the road can also cause a motorcycle to crash. In addition, roadside objects may create an injury mechanism for a motorcyclist.

- Current highway standards permit pavement ridges of up to 1.5 inches without tapering, which pose a significant hazard to motorcycles. Drop off to shoulder areas is often excessive and hazardous.
- Potholes are a hazard that can cause motorcycle crashes.
- Slick materials that interfere with traction are applied to road surfaces with increasing frequency. A motorcycle's traction can be seriously compromised by bituminous rubberized asphalt sealer used for crack repair and plasticized adhesive pavement-marking tape. Pavement markings, such as painted lines etc., have glass beads in the substance producing a reduction of traction especially when wet.
- Fluid spills can cause loss of traction and a resulting crash.
- Roadway debris poses a greater hazard to motorcycles than to larger vehicles. Debris can deflect a motorcycle's wheel when it is struck.
- Metal road surface components, either temporary or permanent, offer almost no traction, and when wet, may also be the most difficult to see.
- Many roadside barriers designed to retain cars and reduce injuries to automobile occupants are deadly to motorcyclists who collide with them. Wire-rope barriers are one example, but a motorcycle or the body of a fallen motorcyclist can also strike portions of other barrier designs in ways that an automobile cannot, causing severe injuries. Other roadside fixtures, such as signage, which may yield when struck by a car, can injure a motorcyclist who hits them. Even curbs can be deadly to a fallen rider who slides into them.
- Current work-zone signage practices may not adequately address the safety needs of motorcyclists.

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WHERE WE WANT TO BE

We would like road design, construction, and maintenance procedures to accommodate the safety needs of motorcyclists.

Motorcyclists should have the skills necessary to detect and avoid roadway hazards.

HOW TO GET THERE

Roadway engineers and other traffic designers need to elevate the placement of motorcycle safety dynamics as a consideration in design, construction, and maintenance of roadways at all levels of oversight—federal, state, county, and local. This may also benefit the safety of other vehicles.

Guardrails are NOT designed with motorcycles in mind. The design of guardrails in the U.S. is obviously for vehicles other than motorcycles.

Ride safe.

Roger

May Ride Reports

Sunday April 30th The Gay 90's Bar Naco, AZ

Well after a great group showed up we had a tough start as George Buchanan's bike would not restart. His battery was dead. As a result the Ride Leaders, Roy and Lisa along with Lee and Judy stayed to fix the bike. Jim Rohlman took over to lead the ride. 8 riders went on the ride to the Gay 90s bar in Naco AZ for pizza & comradely.Good time was had by some but not George. It's all better now. In attendance were Jim and Doreen Rohlman, Richard Flax, Merl Piper, Jeff and Cecilia Murch, Ron Huffstutter and Brian Sousa.



Submitted by Jim Rohlman, photo by Richard Flax

Saturday May 6th Judy's Cookhouse Globe, AZ

Four motorcycles and four riders (Jack, Jean, Eddy and Jeff) showed up for this breakfast ride to Judy's Cook house. The weather was cool (nice change) and required jackets! Wonderful ride with a stop in Winkleman where the group was stopped by an interested person about "Can Am" bikes. They continued on to Judy's Cookhouse for breakfast. Return trip was warmer and some shed their jackets. As many have said - "any day on the bike is a GREAT day." *Submitted by Cecilia Murch*

Saturday May 13th Cadillac Chaparral Tucson, AZ

Ten Retreads made a fairly short ride to the Cadallac Chaparral for steaks, ribs, catfish, shrimp, burgers and salad and I don't know what else. The weather was beautiful but HOT, HOT, HOT. We still had fun on 4 trikes and 3 bikes. Those present were Cecilia & Jeff, Ron & Leigh, Dennis & Arlyce, Richard F., Rich P., and Dan & Aina. The service was great in spite of only one waitress and the food was excellent. Some of us headed back the



way we arrived and one group headed out Park Link and beyond! Submitted by Aina Dickerson

May Ride Reports Cont'd

Tuesday May 16th BJ's Restaurant Tucson, AZ

Four Retread Ladies met at BJ's Restaurant & Brewhouse on Oracle for lunch. It was nice to have a sunny morning, so Judy Aitken and Aina Dickerson decided to ride their Spyders. Rebecca Hartman and Ellen Davidson joined us and we got to hear a little about Ellen and Dan's trip to Costa Rica. We had a great time and a good lunch and enjoyed the trip home seeing the rain clouds building. We did have a nice rain at the Dickerson's. Submitted by Aina Dickerson

Thursday May 18th Stockyard Cafe Marana, AZ

Eleven Retreads on 9 motorcycles road to the Stockyard Cafe (formerly the Feedlot Cafe) in Marana. Participants were Lee Davis, Dan & Aina Dickerson, Dave & Pam Ameigh, Rick Paulik, Richard Flax and Ride Leaders Dennis & Arlyce. Submitted by Dennis Johnson, Photo by Richard Flax.



Sunday May 21st Taco Sunday Circle S Saloon Marana, AZ

Twenty members got together for tacos and fellowship at Circle K Saloon and Cafe in Marana. Eight came by motorcycle. Next Taco Sunday is June 18th led by Lee and Judy Aitken. Call Judy at 520 579 8392 or email laitken@msn.com

Wednesday May 24th Jun's Dynasty Tucson, AZ

Fifteen Retreads and three guests enjoyed conversation and dinner together at Jun'e Dynasty. Dan and Aina, Lee and Judy, Jim and Dorene, Richard F., Richard P, Lee D, Roy and Lisa, Dennis and Arlyce, Jeff and Cecilia. Our guests were Mel and Edie (potential new members - Roy and Lisa are assisting them in looking at the best motorcycle for them) and Jordan (Bear's sister). The



service was slow however they were packed and several ordered appetizers to stave off the hunger pains. But in normal fashion we talked and talked - solving all problems, laughing at terrible jokes - being our normal selves. Dinner arrived and all was quiet. Everyone said they enjoyed their meal and several had "doggie boxes" for at least one if not two more meals. It was also graduation day for some of the schools and that could have contributed to the crowds. Wonderful to see everyone. Submitted by Cecilia Murch

Monday May 29th Tucson Estate's Memorial Day Parade

Eleven people (Dennis & Arylce, Steve, Richard P., Richard F., Dan& Aina & friend Gloria, Lee, Jeff & Cecilia), and eight bikes participated in the Tucson Estates Parkway Memorial Day parade. We had our bikes decorated. Thanks Richard Flax for the extra flags. We used those to wave at all the bystanders along the route. We saw Dickster and Julie (former Retreads). After the parade we stopped to make sure our bike decorations were safely showed for the next parade. Once finished we headed the back roads to Ajo highway - Ryan Airfield and Rich's Cafe for breakfast. Coffee and water began the first course. Followed by breakfast We all enjoyed our food and conversation. Submitted by Cecilia Murch



June Ride Schedule

Date	Saturday June 3rd	Date	Thursday June 15 th
KSU	7:00 AM	KSU	6:00 PM
Meet location	Circle K Ajo & Kinney Rd.	Meet location	Mr. An's Teppan restaurant
Ride Contact	Dennis Johnson	Ride Contact	Jim Rohlman
Contact phone	520-971-5015	Contact phone	231-557-9060
Contact e-mail	ddjtucson@hotmail.com	Contact e-mail	dojir@aol.com
Destination	Madera Sunrise Restaurant	Destination	Mr. An's Teppan restaurant
Address	175 S. LaCanada Dr.	Address	6091 N. Oracle Rd.
City	Green Valley, AZ	City	Tucson, AZ
Notes		Notes	Dinner, meet at restaurant

Date	Saturday June 24th		
KSU	6:00 AM		
Meet location	Speedway Oracle & Magee		
Ride Contact	Ellen Davidson		
Contact phone	573-289-4585		
Contact e-mail	davidsonej123@yahoo.com		
Destination	River Bottom Bar & Grill		
Address	2501 AZ Hwy. 79		
City	Florence, AZ		
Notes	Outside patio		

You know you're getting old when everything hurts, and what doesn't hurt doesn't work.

Date Sunday, June 18th Taco Sunday

Kick Stands Up 10:00 AM

Meet location Circle K Ajo & Kinney Rd

Ride Contact Lee Aitken

Contact phone 520-293-2932

Contact e-mail tizatrading@aol.com

Destination Circle S Saloon

Address 16021 W. El Tiro Road

City, Zip Code Marana, AZ 85653

Notes Taco special (other food too)







June Birthdays

Andrew Beck	6/2	Charlie Hoover	6/19
Bill Johns	6/7	Tony Arroyo	6/20
Sandra LeVasseur	6/16	Jim Richards	6/21
Father's Day	6/18	Pauline Richards	6/26

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

Members may submit information about rides, items for sale, motorcycle articles, etc. to the newsletter editor TucsonRtrdnews@gmail.com no later than the 20th of each month. The Tucson Area Rep. and the newsletter editor reserve the right to edit all materials submitted for newsletter publication.

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New Member

Ron and Kay Brewster





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.

Any white T-Shirt:\$5, all others are \$25. Limited to quantity on hand, first come, first served.

Size: Small

1 Black, pocket, long sleeve;

1 Black, pocket, short sleeve

Size: Medium

1 Fluorescent yellow pocket, short sleeve

Size: Large

2 ea Red, pocket, short sleeve;

3 ea. White, short sleeve

Size: Extra Large

1 Red, pocket, short sleeve; 2 ea. Blue, pocket, short sleeve

1 White, long sleeve; 1 White, pocket, long sleeve;

1 Gray, pocket, long sleeve

Size: 2 Extra Large

1 Blue, pocket, short sleeve

Contact Jeff or Cecilia if you are interested. tucsonarizonarep@aol.com or 520-603-435

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