



RETREADS

Motorcycle Club

March, 2026

**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

February meeting notes:

We had a good group - although a tad smaller than usual. Perhaps the beautiful weather or Super Bowl were to blame. Roger Deevers reminded us that we should "hydrate" and always carry water. Lee Aitken related a personal story about being stranded for 5 hours without any water. Even though we are not in the summer heat - you still can get dehydrated. You never know when something will happen, and you will be waiting for assistance. Roger also cautioned us to leave plenty of room between you and the vehicle ahead of you. This gap allows plenty of options in case you need to move out of harms way.

4 Corners rally is tentatively June 9,10 & 11 (Tuesday-Thursday) however no location as they are still trying to secure lodging for approximately 60 rooms. As soon as they can finalize plans they will send out a flyer and notification.

Thinking of Christmas 2026 - we need to request with Tucson Estates the club house - in the next few months. Just curious if we want to continue hosting at Tucson Estates - no decision made - just keep it in mind.

Ride clean up is 3rd Sunday in March (15th). Meet at Circle S at 8 AM - after clean up we will eat at Circle S Saloon. All welcome - the more the merrier and the quicker we finish (even if you can only clean a small portion (couple hundred feet) you will make a difference. Last time we had many neighbors stop and "Thank us" for cleaning their road. It was very positive to be recognized and thanked.

International Update: Finally received a message about 'Retreads' merchandise. Seems they have found a vendor. Samples were requested. Plan is to have information on international website. Downside is that they expect it will be July before everything is completed. As I get more information I will pass it on.

Our next meeting is Sunday March 8, 2026.

Cecilia Murch





SAFETY CONCERNS

Roger Deevers
Safety Officer



WHO IS AT FAULT?

When drivers are crashing into each other on the streets and highways it's obvious that motorcyclists are at a distinct disadvantage. Eliminating that disadvantage completely is impossible but it can be reduced.

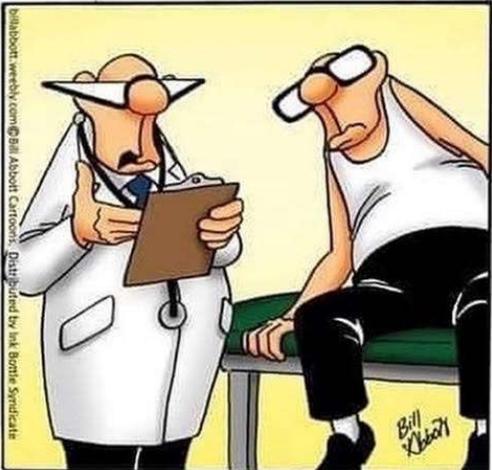
The first thing that comes to mind is being visible. But are you really being seen? Headlights turned on along with added lights is a help. However, drivers are looking for larger vehicles with headlights farther apart. A left turning vehicle is the most lethal for motorcyclists at intersections. Often you are merely a approaching spot that is difficult to judge the speed of. If the driver decides to proceed with the left turn and there is a collision, the motorcyclist comes out on the losing side. The excuse of the driver might be, "I didn't see him or her." It's obvious who is at fault, but what are the consequences? A citation for failure to yield or perhaps insurance compensation for damages? What if a severe injury or fatality is the result?

That whole scenario can be avoided if measures are taken by the rider. Approaching an intersection, and managing speed, where a vehicle driver intending to turn, the motorcyclists must be extra alert and prepared to apply the brakes. Also moving to other positions in the lane makes the approaching motorcycle more noticeable. When a driver does acknowledge the motorcyclist and waits, a wave of appreciation improves rapport between motorists and bikers.

Be prepared for a event that might be someone else's fault. Wear a full face helmet with solid chin bar, an armored jacket along with full fingered gloves. The people who ride motorcycles for a living are examples of what works best for their personal protection. You don't have to look like you are preparing to race at Daytona, but use the apparel designed for motorcyclists. By all means, don't mix alcohol with your journey. Alcohol impairment accounts for a substantial number of deaths.

As always make that all important head check when changing lanes, merging and proceeding through intersections.

Ride safe, Roger



"High sodium, high cholesterol, lots of toxins - your blood test is remarkably similar to a potato chip."

March Ride Schedule

Ride Contact: Cecilia Murch 520-603-4350

Please RSVP for all rides to Cecilia Murch unless alternative contact is listed.
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Day/Date	Tuesday, March 3, 2026	Thursday, March 5, 2026
Meet Location	Chevron Wilmot and I-10	7-Eleven Gas Station, Oracle and Magee
KSU	10:30 AM	10:00 AM
Destination	Wisdom's Cafe	Mi Tierra Mexican Restaurant
Address	1931 Interstate 19 Frontage Road	16238 N. Oracle
City	Tumacacori, Arizona	Tucson, Arizona
Day/Date	Friday, March 6, 2026	Tuesday, March 10, 2026
Meet Location	The Polish Cottage	Valero (15240 N. Oracle Road)
KSU	01:30 PM	10:30 AM
Destination	The Polish Cottage	La Casita Mexican Restaurant
Address	4520 E Broadway	400 S. Highway 77
City	Tucson, AZ 85711	Mammoth, Arizona
	Adventurous Dining – Polish food	
Day/Date	Thursday, March 12, 2026	Friday March 13th. 2026
Meet Location	Pilot Rita and I-10	Meet @ restaurant
KSU	10:30 AM	1:30 PM
Destination	Sandy's RV and Cafe'	L and L Hawaiian Barbecue
Address	5120 E. Highway 181	4210 N. First Ave, Suite 150
City	Pearce, Arizona	Tucson, Arizona
Notes		Adventurous Dining - Hawaiian food
Day/Date	Sunday, March 15, 2026	Tuesday, March 17, 2026
Meet Location	Circle S Saloon	Chevron Wilmot and I-10
KSU	8:00 AM	10:00 AM
Destination	Road Clean Up	Longhorn Grill
Address	16021 W. El Tiro Road	28851 S. Nogales Highway
City	Marana, Arizona	Amado, Arizona
Day/Date	Thursday, March 19, 2026	Saturday, March 21, 2026
Meet Location	Circle K at Ajo and Kinney Road	Chevron Wilmot and I-10
KSU	9:30 AM	10:00 AM
Destination	Kitt Peak Observatory	Manuel's Mexican Restaurant
Address	Exit Rt. 386 off of Ajo Way (Rte 86)	131 W. Duval Road
City	Tucson, Arizona	Green Valley, Arizona
	Brown Bag Lunch	

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Day/Date	Tuesday, March 24, 2026	Wednesday, March 25, 2026
Meet Location	Chevron Wilmot and I-10	At Restaurant
KSU	10:00 AM	1:30 PM
Destination	Longhorn Outpost & BBQ Co.	The Cuban Corner by Ta-Pas
Address	720 W. Calle Arroyo Suite # 100	919 N. Stone Ave
City	Green Valley, Arizona	Tucson, Arizona
		Adventurous Dining - Cuban food
Day/Date	Sunday, March 29, 2026	Tuesday, March 31, 2026
Meet Location	QT Interstate 19 and Valencia	Pilot Truck Stop, Rita and I-10
KSU	8:00 AM	8:30 AM
Destination	Nickel's Diner	The Farmhouse Restaurant
Address	1060 Yavapai Drive Suite 1	811 W. 4th
City	Rio Rico, Arizona	Benson, Arizona

February Ride Reports

January 29th Demarco's Pizza Oracle, AZ

We staged up at the Valero gas station on Oracle Rd. in Catalina for a lunch ride to De Marco's Pizzeria & Italian Restaurant in Oracle. We had 19 members on 12 bikes and one truck: Dave & Patti, Fred & Beth, Charlie B, Marty Jopson, Pam and Dave Ameigh, Cal & Rose Kimball, Ron Huffstutter, Mark Rhino, Rich Printz, Adele Arakawa, Lee Davis, Evan and Pam Downs, and Joe and Donna. It was a partly sunny day, in the high 50's when we started our ride but a real feel of 71 when the sun occasionally broke through the clouds. We took a comfortable easy ride up Oracle Road to Oracle, bearing right on W American Ave for a half mile hop to DeMarco's, arriving just as they were opening. They didn't know we were coming so a bit pleasantly surprised. It's a tiny place so we sat in small groups at four tables. They have a big menu of pizza, pasta dishes and subs. The servings were real big so a lot of us took take home leftovers. We split up for our rides home in the comfortably warmer afternoon. *Submitted by Joe and Donna Curreri*

Tuesday February 3rd Gathering Grounds Patagonia, AZ

Patagonia was the target and the weather was great. The restaurant was not hard to find, the food was mostly good, but we were unable to sit together - it was pretty busy. Eight of us made the trip. Charlie on 2 wheels, Mark, Ron H., Dan, Marty and Aina were on 3 wheels, and our tail gunner, Cal with Rose was on 4. We scattered for the home trip and a couple headed for Sierra Vista. *Submitted by Aina Dickerson*

Thursday February 5th Old Time Pizza Kearny, AZ

Joe Curreri led two Goldwings from Oracle & Magee to Old Time Pizza in Kearny, AZ. The restaurant wasn't crowded and we enjoyed each others company and conversation. In attendance were Joe and Donna, Bear, and John and Nancy Hlady. *Submitted by John Hlady*

February Ride Reports

Tuesday February 10th SunnySide Up Cafe Tucson, AZ

It was a really nice day for a lunch ride to the Sunny Side Up restaurant in Catalina. Fourteen Retreads attended having come from several different directions. The fast service and delicious food made for an enjoyable meal. Our server, Krystal, was on top of her game and impressed all of us. Lee proudly identified Krystal as his niece. *Submitted by Lee & Judy Aitken*

Sunday February 15th Taco Sunday Circle S Saloon Marana, AZ

3 M/C" s left Ina and Silverbell riding through beautiful Picture Rocks on Sunday morning to Circle S where 6 more RETREADS were waiting for a total of 27 in all. Good tacos and great service. After lunch everyone scattered, Dave and Patti headed home to watch the Daytona 500. *Submitted by Dave and Patti*

Monday February 16th Indian Twist Tucson, AZ

We had a great lunch at Indian Twist. We all shared our dishes. All super. Every one said it was a good choice and would like to return. The waitress was good at explaining the dishes and recommended mild vs spicy dishes. Dwight and Carolyn, John and Ellen, Cal and Rose, Dan and Aina. Anne, Lee and Cecilia rounded out the group. Looking forward to the next adventure. *Submitted by Cecilia Murch*

Friday February 20th Copper Brothel Sonoita, AZ

14 Retreads, some on bikes, some not, went to a Brothel ... Copper Brothel in Sonoita. Enjoying the food and camaraderie were Dave & Patty, Cal & Rose, Joe & Donna, Dan & Aina, Lee, Mark, Bear, Dale, Dixie and Richard. *Submitted by Richard Flax*

Saturday February 21st The Stables Tubac, AZ

We had 5 bikes and one truck. In attendance were Marty, Mark, Lee Davis, Joe and Donna, Cal and Rose, Dave and Patti. Food was good although a bit pricey. Lots of conversation, a beautiful restaurant and area. Weather was cool but good riding home, all in all a good day!! *Submitted by Dave and Patti*

Tuesday February 24th Tortilla Flats Tortilla Flats, AZ

5 bikes & 9 brave souls went to Tortilla Flats , Bear , Dave , Patty, Charlie, Jim, Adele, John & Leslie. 275mi round trip . Good times, Good food, Good friends. *Submitted by Bear*

Thursday February 26th Mescal Bar & Grill Benson, AZ

20 Retread's followed Bear to the Mescal Bar & Grill on a variety of bikes, trikes and one truck. Marty, Lee, Cal and Rose, John and Leslie, Bear, Joe and Donna, John and Nancy, Jim and Jane, Connie, Dave, Mark, Dave and Patty, John and Ellen all enjoyed a lunch on the enclosed patio. *Submitted by John Hlady*

Friday February 27th Nates Italian Kitchen Tucson, AZ

We had 12 retreads in 2, 3, & 4 wheels. Food and service were great and fast. Nate's believes in large portions. Splitting an entree or having leftovers for a few meals is the norm. Enjoyed the conversation and company. We did fill the place but there was still room for other patrons. Most scattered to the 4 winds to do Friday errands Dave and Patti, John and Nancy, John and Ellen, Jim and Dorene, Lee , Mark, Marty, and Cecilia. *Submitted by Cecilia Murch*

Saturday February 28th The Oracle Patio Cafe and Market Oracle, AZ

We had a good group show for our lunch at the patio cafe. Sat outside on the patio, only seating area. Dave and Patti, Joe and Donna, Lee, Cal and Rose, Fred and Beth, Rich, and Cecilia. Beautiful day. Nice ride and of course conversations were plentiful. So pleasant outside. *Submitted by Cecilia Murch*

February Ride Pictures



◀ DeMarco's Pizza

Old Time Pizza ▶



Sunny Side Up ▶

◀ Copper Brothel



◀ Copper Brothel

Tortilla Flats ▶



Mescal Bar & Grill ▶

◀ Nate's Italian Kitchen



◀ Oracle Patio Cafe

Date Sunday, February 15th
Taco Sunday

KSU 10:30 AM

Meet location Circle K Ina & Silverbell

Ride Contact Dave Piper

Contact phone 443-878-5200

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Destination Circle S Saloon

Address 16021 W. El Tiro Road

City, Zip Code Marana, AZ 85653

Notes Taco special (other food too)

Date Every Wednesday
Gentleman's Garage

KSU 9:00 AM, Lunch to follow

Meet location Gear Shifters 1045 N Catalina Ave. Tucson, AZ 85711

Ride Contact Bear Moncrief

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Destination Varies

Notes Gentleman's Garage



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