



RETREADS

Motorcycle Club

March, 2025

**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 minutes:

Our February meeting was eventful. We had a new member join us. It was a beautiful day - hopefully many took advantage and rode after the meeting. We now have 116 members. We reviewed our upcoming rides for February - a show of hands to get an idea of how many may attend the rides. Dave Piper volunteered for Tombstone and Taco Sunday (his standing ride). Jim Curtis volunteered to lead a ride in March (WooHoo).

John Hlady explained the "Tucson Retread's 1st Annual Rolling Rally". We have 2 destinations (SilverCity, New Mexico and Pinetop-Lakeside). The hotels have been chosen and a block of rooms at each hotel. Each person/group can make their own way to the hotel - take the long way or go directly to the hotel. Bear in mind that the hotel probably will not allow check in before 3PM. You may have to visit the local sites or take in a movie. Please make sure you communicate with John Hlady when you make your reservation so he can keep track of the rooms and if necessary he may be able to add more rooms to the block. We hope this becomes an annual event - it is a great way to explore and have some time to visit with your fellow Retreads.

We are adding anniversaries/retirements to our "recognition" newsletter if you desire. Send John your years/date and a photo if you have it with the announcement. Completely voluntary. Also a note that the ride schedule lists a destination however if the group is small, and reservations have not been made with the restaurant the group can decide on an alternative ride/destination. Remember newer members may not be as experienced riding in a group. Don't forget to do a pre-trip meeting - reminding everyone of the route, who is the lead(ers) and last one(s) to keep the group together. We do not want to lose anyone going to the destination. If we must we can slow down or pull over to have everyone catch up. Three wheelers still should ride staggered - the allows riders to see ahead and provide more time to stop if necessary. If you go to someplace that you think the group would like to experience - please send a write up. It may be others will check it out or we can schedule a group ride.

Roger Deevers thanked everyone who attended the Andrada Poly Tech High School car show. It gets better every year and Roger appreciates our club support. He reminded us that coffee has caffeine which dehydrates you. Please make sure you drink water and carry water in case you get stuck somewhere. Our low humidity and warmer weather can dehydrate you easily. And keep up with checking every direction routinely. Do not get complacent. We sang Happy Birthday to our February birthday folks. Next meeting is March 9, 2025.



Cecilia Murch





SAFETY CONCERNS

Roger Deevers
Safety Officer



SPACE INVADERS

We've all likely experienced, when riding in traffic, when a car in another lane begins to veer into the space you're occupying, pushing you to the center line or edge of the road. Remember, our motorcycles can easily fit into blind spots and drivers looking for cars aren't accustomed to seeing motorcycles.

To avoid that be aware of where blind spots are, usually slightly behind the driver, either left or right side, and spend as little time there as possible. If you can see a driver's face in their mirrors, then they have the ability to see you too, if indeed they are looking.

Beware of situations where lane changes become more possible. When traffic slowing, with one lane moving faster than others people are going to want to be in that lane. Avoid being where they want to be by reading their intentions.

Look for signs of a car changing lanes: turn signals, wheels turning, the car wandering around its own lane while the driver checks his/her mirrors, and of course, the driver's head moving. Be aware of all that, in all of the cars around you, at all times, and you'll be far less vulnerable. Stay extra alert in traffic and avoid being the victim of a space invader.

Ride safe, Roger

- 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
- Contact phone** 520-404-8692
- Contact e-mail** bear1biker@gmail.com
- Destination** The Breakfast Stop
- Address** 6135 E 22nd St.
- City, Zip Code** Tucson, AZ
- Notes** **Gentleman's Garage**



February Ride Reports

Tuesday February 4th R&R Pizza Express Benson, AZ

We had a beautiful day for our ride to R & R Pizza in Benson. We left our gathering place at 10:30 with 23 bikes. Headed east on the freeway exiting at highway 83 turning North to Mascal road. A smooth road and nice scenery. Getting back on the freeway and headed into Benson. We got to our pizza place about 11:30. 32 folks enjoyed a great lunch and each other's company. Leaving some of us headed straight back and others took some side roads up to highway 90 heading south and west through Sonoita back to Tucson. Some went their own way and others headed to Dairy Queen. Thanks to all for making it a great ride. *Submitted by Sue and Judd Starr*



Thursday February 6th Florence Cafe Florence, AZ

On a beautiful February day 23 members on 17 bikes took the Rt 79 raceway to the Florence Cafe. (And later to DQ). Enjoying the day and the food were Lee Davis, Roy & Lisa Woolard, John & Nancy Hlady, Louis & Verna Feltz, Adele Arakawa, Dave Piper & Patricia Novotny, Jack Keating, Fred & Beth Bohling, Mark Renerio, Dale Russell, John McVay, Darryl & Lek Bates, Dave Ameigh, Marty & Shirley Jopson, Dixie Hayes & Richard Flax. *Submitted by Richard Flax*



Wednesday February 12th The Longhorn Restaurant Tombstone, AZ

We left the Pilot truck stop with 15 M/C's and 19 hardy riders on a cool and windy day. We rode over on March Station Rd then I-10 to Benson thru St. David and onto Tombstone. The restaurant was all set up for us. The food was good and lots of chatter. Upon leaving 8 people ended up at the Dairy Queen in Vail before heading home. *Submitted by Dave and Patti*

Friday February 14th Valentines Day Breakfast Sky Riders Cafe Marana, AZ

We had a cloudy day with 3 vehicles and 3 motorcycles. Sky Riders restaurant set up a table and allowed us all to be on separate checks. It began a little slow but improved. Everyone said their food was good. Coffee was plentiful. Those attending were Rich Herin, Lee Davis, Ramona Panas, Dodie Ledbetter, Dennis and Arlyce Johnson, Elena Lane (Jeff's sister) and Cecilia Murch. We enjoyed good conversation! Also we were treated to a flurry of parachutists in the skies above. Wonderful beginning to Valentine's Day. *Submitted by Cecilia Murch*



February Ride Reports

Sunday February 16th Taco Sunday Circle S Saloon Marana, AZ

We had, 10 M/C's s leave Ina and Silverbell on a cool but nice ride to Circle S Saloon. As usual many more Retreads were already there. Altogether we had 30 to enjoy taco's and what ever. Everyone had a good time and after lunch everyone scattered. Many heading home to watch the Daytona 500. *Submitted by Dave and Patti*

Wednesday February 19th Copper Brothel Brewery Sonoita, AZ

We left Rita Rd with 10 motorcycles and one truck. It was a beautiful ride up Rte 83 on a cool clear day. At lunch we had 17 people and the restaurant was set up for us. The food was good, but a little expensive. After lunch some scattered and 9 headed for the Dairy Queen in Vail. Good time was had by all. *Submitted by Dave and Patti*

Thursday February 20th Dwarf Car Museum / Raceway Bar & Grill Maricopa, AZ

Ten Retread's on three bikes, one trike and two Can-Am's boogied up the freeway to a very rural area of Maricopa AZ for a mind boggling visit to the Dwarf Car Museum. If you haven't been here you should add it to your travel plans. To learn more visit their website at <https://www.dwarfcarmuseum.com/> We were able meet and talk with Ernie Adams and his family about his lifelong hobby of hand building these cars. Afterwards we all headed to the Speedway Bar & Grill in Maricopa for a lunch and conversation about the museum. *Submitted by John Hlady*



Tuesday February 25th Hong Kong Kitchen Casa Grande, AZ

18 Retreads on 14 bikes show up at the Speedway at Oracle & Magee. At KSU time no one identified themselves as the leader and we had not discussed it earlier. Since I had the name and address of the restaurant I volunteered to lead. We had a relatively smooth ride up 77 to 79 and then through Coolidge to Casa Grande. A cool day to start that quickly heated up into the 90's after lunch. Good selection of food and everyone got a selection they liked. Members riding included Jack and Jean Scott, Lee and Judy Aitken, Dave Piper and Patti Novotny, Fred and Beth Bohling, John and Leslie Hatzl, John and Ellen McVay, Lee Davis, Mark Reinerio, Marty Jopson, Adele Arakawa, and me and Donna. After lunch Dave Piper led a group to the Dairy Queen in Picacho. *Submitted by Joe Curreri and Lee Davis.*

March Ride Schedule

Day/Date	Wednesday, March 5, 2025	Tuesday, March 11, 2025
Meet Location	Speedway Oracle & Magee	Chevron I-10 & Wilmot
KSU	10:30 AM	9:30 AM
Ride Contact	Cecilia Murch	Cecilia Murch
Contact phone	520-603-3579	520-603-3579
Contact e-mail	TucsonArizonaRep@aol.com	TucsonArizonaRep@aol.com
Destination	DiMarco's Pizzeria And Italian	La Unica Restaurant and Tortilleria
Address	1885 W. American Ave	142 N. Haskell Ave
City	Oracle, Arizona 85623	Wilcox, Arizona 85643-2160
Notes	RSVP to Cecilia Murch	RSVP to Cecilia Murch
Day/Date	Thursday, March 13, 2025	Sunday, March 16th Taco Sunday
Meet Location	Speedway Oracle & Magee	Circle K Ina & Silverbell
KSU	10:00 AM	10:30:00 AM
Ride Contact	Cecilia Murch	Dave Piper
Contact phone	520-603-3579	443-878-5200
Contact e-mail	TucsonArizonaRep@aol.com	piperduke0637@yahoo.com
Destination	Mi Pueblito	Circle S Saloon
Address	706 South Highway 77 Street	16021 W. El Tiro Road
City	Mammoth, Arizona 85618	Marana, AZ 85653
Notes	RSVP to Cecilia Murch	RSVP to Dave Piper
Day/Date	Friday, March 21, 2025	Tuesday, March 25, 2025
Meet Location	Quick Trip (QT) I-19 & Valencia	Speedway Oracle & Magee
KSU	10:00 AM	9:30 AM
Ride Contact	Jim Courtis	Cecilia Murch
Contact phone	443.878.5200	520-603-3579
Contact e-mail	JimCourtis1@gmail.com	TucsonArizonaRep@aol.com
Destination	La Gitana	Riverbottom Grill
Address	17205 West 5th Street	2501 North Highway 79
City	Arivaca, Arizona 85601	Florence, Arizona 85132
Notes	Patio seating too.	Both indoor and outdoor seating
Day/Date	Thursday, March 27, 2025	Sunday, March 30, 2025
Meet Location	Pilot I-10 & Rita Rd.	Circle S Saloon
KSU	10:00 AM	8:00 AM
Ride Contact	Cecilia Murch	Cecilia Murch
Contact phone	520-603-3579	520-603-3579
Contact e-mail	TucsonArizonaRep@aol.com	TucsonArizonaRep@aol.com
Destination	Country House Family Restaurant	Road Clean up
Address	4373 South Highway 92	N. Anway Rd. Marana, AZ
City	Sierra Vista, Arizona 85650	Marana, Arizona

Date Sunday, March 16th Taco Sunday
KSU 10:30 AM
Meet location Circle K Ina & Silverbell
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 Taco special (other food too)



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March Birthdays

Jack Kaufman	Cecilia Murch
Jayne Ronfeldt	Rebecca Hartman
Richard Printz	Henrietta Hennings
Fred Bohling	Lisa Woolard
Liz Rose	Happy St. Patrick's Day



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