



Goldwing Road Riders Association Chapter AZ-G, Green Valley, AZ

Chapter Director Linda Johnson Nov-Dec 2016

Meets 8 AM, second Saturday of the month



Our Tribe

Panoramic photograph by Dick Beier dick.beier@gmail.com

DIRECTORS CORNER

Fall in the Green Valley Barrio has been uncommonly beautiful. The Gecko birthday was great as usual and many thanks to Enid Barnard and the many others who helped. The Cake was beautiful and yummy. All of the add ons were also scrumptious.

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GWRRR for Family, Friends, Knowledge and Safety. And not only is the Region F motto... F for Fun, but it is spreading Nation Wide. (Looks like we like to ride and eat)

Editors Note: Your Director was looking great at the Christmas Party. She appears to have come back after a bad bout of some serious stuff. She has surely benefited from your prayers and love. Do not stop.

EDITORS NOTE: Lake Havasu City was really over the top. We sold out the whole place out and we think they liked us as much as we liked them. Unfortunately we did not have time to try out one of the go fast boats. They sounded awesome and seeing them slide onto the sand to be tied to a nail was impressive. The food at the beachside restaurant was very good and the dinner was excellent. Their infinity pool overlooking the lagoon and paddle boarders was entertaining. Walking over the London Bridge was fun. It sounded like everyone there was looking forward to returning next year with extended stays to enjoy some of the other amenities.





Ride to Globe November 17, 2016

Our lunch ride to Globe started out well. Dennie, Karen, Wally, Linda, Dick and Bill met up with Candy, Kris and I at the Park and Ride location at Ruthrauff. After greeting everyone we jumped onto I-10 heading for the Twin Peaks exit. From there we rode to Tangerine and headed east. We met up with Randy at Tangerine Rd. and Oracle. He joined us and we were on our happy way. Our first butt break was at the convenience store in Winkelman. Shortly after, Steve and Michele arrived.

After everyone had stretched we put our riding gear on and headed north anticipating arrival into Globe within 30 to 40 minutes. Well, that didn't happen. We got stopped at the first of two construction sites waiting for a lead vehicle. While we were waiting we all noticed our flag person was having trouble staying awake and that the construction crew was working no more than 150 feet from us. I think we all thought there was another crew further down the road to cause us to wait for a lead vehicle. We learned approx. 6 miles down the road there wasn't. The construction work we saw as we waited for the lead car was it!

Okay, we are traveling again and I am guessing within another ten miles we ran into the second construction site and again we were stopped to wait for another lead vehicle. This time the lead vehicle was justified. They were removing what were some large rocks on the side of the hill that have had the underoil washed from beneath them from the rains this summer.

Anyway, we arrive in Globe. I have my GPS on and was following the directions to the **NURDBURGER** and yep, I made the wrong turn. Turned 1 block too soon. After we got some directions from some of the local school kids, we arrived at our destination. Lunch was good and the company was even better!

Our ride home was uneventful. We had a wonderful day!

Chuck



Twelve things that a motorcycle can teach ...

1. The only good view of a thunderstorm is in your rear view window.
2. Four wheels might move the body...but two wheels move the soul.
3. I'd rather be riding my motorcycle and thinking about God than sitting in church thinking about my motorcycle.
4. Life may begin at 30...but it doesn't get interesting till about 95..mph.
5. Midnight bugs taste just as bad as noontime bugs.
6. Some times it takes a whole tank of gas before you can think straight.
7. A bike on the road is worth two in the shed.
8. Young riders pick a destination and go...old riders pick a direction & go.
9. When you are riding lead, don't spit.
10. Catching a wasp in your shirt at 75 can double your vocabulary.
11. I've never seen a motorcycle parked outside a psychiatrist's office.
12. Only bikers know why dogs stick their heads out of car windows.

Thanks to Candy Shirley

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Some of you have asked when the other Arizona Chapters meet. Given the day, check their website.

Chapter A, Tucson, Golden Corral, 22nd St., meets the 3rd Saturday of the month

Chapter C, Inactive, met on the 4th

Chapter D, Mesa, 85206 E Southern Av, meets the 2nd

Chapter E, Sierra Vista, State Hwy 92, meets the 1st

Chapter G, Green Valley, St Ignacio Golf on El Son, meets the 2nd

Chapter K, N Tucson, Golden Corral on Thorndale Rd., meets the 4th

Chapter O, Bullhead City, Perkins Rest. Meets the 1st

Chapter P is the 4th, Prescott, Golden Corral, Arizona 69.

Chapter R is the 3rd, Glendale, Old Country Buffet, 17129 N. 79Ave.

Chapter S is the 1st. Scottsdale, Deer Valley Airport, and 702 W. Deer Valley Rd.

Chapter U is the 3rd, Yuma, Daybreaker Café.

Chapter X is the 4th, Casa Grande, Foxtrot Café, Muni Airport.

KAREN'S COLLECTION OF SANTA'S

I thought I would share my story on collecting Santa Claus. It started somewhere back in the late 90's or early 2000's. One day I was in Kohl's department store and decided to purchase a Santa to add to the other decorations in the house. It looked so nice that I decided to add another. But as we all know there were only a few left at the store and they were the same as I just purchased, so I decided to wait until next year to see if there would be any different ones.

Well next year came and Kohl's had some different style Santa's, so I bought another. At the time, our friends Vicki and Ken were also collecting Santa's and this turned into little competition on who was going to outdo the other. The intention was to collect a single Santa every Christmas season but you know sometimes you have to buy more than one, if you want to stay ahead of the competition, just saying.

The collecting has continued here in Arizona. As you see by the pictures, I now have 32 different Santa's. They are all different. Now the challenge has become to where and how to display them every year.

Karen Long





Ride to Chapter “R” Chili Fest

Well GECKOS, if you didn't go with us to CHAPTER R CHILI FEST Saturday November 19th, you missed a great ride and a lot of good tasting chili along with hot dogs and soda. The weather was a little cool, 46 degrees when I left.

Chuck, Steve, Wally, and myself decided to have breakfast Saturday morning before hitting the road. We decided to stop at the IHOP located on Cortaro road. IHOP happen to be very busy that morning but we were in and out within an hour.

As a planned stop before hitting the Phoenix traffic, we stopped at the LOVE'S truck stop and filled up the bikes with gas. I'm sure there are gas stations along the way to RIDE NOW but it's much easier to get off/on to the freeway here. Besides we had a chance to stretch our legs.

Arriving at RIDENOW, the parking lot was full of bikes and automobiles. Chapter R sets up out front of the main doors under the building's overhang. The chili was supplied by the members and I have never seen so much different chili. I tried a couple of MILD ones as I'm not a fan of HOT chili and it tasted really good. As for any door prizes, I don't believe any of us won anything. I know I didn't.

After visiting with friends, it was time to head back to Green Valley and Tucson. Steve suggested that all of us stop at Picacho Peak at the DQ for some refreshments (which I didn't object to) and possibly fill up with gas if needed. Had DQ, then said our goodbyes before hitting the road. It's always a good day when you can ride with your friends.

So, until next time, keep the rubber side down and ride safe.

Dennie Long





The Christmas party was a great success. Many thanks to Enid Barnard for a great gathering. The steaks were excellent, salad was good, fries and deserts were great. A large collection of toys was assembled for the tots, as well. All in all, a fun gathering.

The birthday party in Anamax Park was another super success. The pulled pork from Mama's Hawaiian was delicious. It was a beautiful cake. As well as scrumptious. Wonderful salads and Sides, thanks to all.

At the December meeting it was noted that there were three Can-Am motorcycles present. Where were The Gold Wings? Too Chilly? It appears that we now have five Can-Am trikes in our group. At Wing Ding In Montana it was said that the front wheelers were eating Gold Wing Sales. Come on Honda with that Twin front wheel model, we are all waiting.

Your editor is having a bad time with Windows 10 and Word 365 on a new computer. Thank you for The pictures and articles.

THE COUNTRY STORE:

Anita says that she is ordering and the new shirts are way cool. You can have cotton or wicking Material in long or short sleeves. They were modeled at the last meeting. Give Anita a call.

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Editors note: If you enjoyed Jim Roberts riding article from the heart of a dedicated rider And would like to see and read more lets get those responses in. Cris and Moe

NOW, ask yourself and your co-rider: What single thing do you truly feel and enjoy most about touring by motorcycle. Send your response to us at robertsjamesw@comcast.net and we'll have it included in the next edition of the GWRRA AZ-G Newsletter.