

Coyote Pass Chapter ABATE

First of all, apologies for having not posted a chapter report recently. We are a new chapter and still sorting out roles and responsibilities. We've also had a little turn over of officers already. But it doesn't mean we haven't been busy with motorcycle related actions!

So, since we haven't posted anything the last couple of months, we need to go back a bit. In February, we were invited to a skilled rider demonstration hosted by Officer Kyle Steele, a rider who trains law enforcement motorcyclists. Cones were set up, and chapter members were given an opportunity to participate in difficult, low-speed maneuvers. We learned a LOT!

In April we celebrated our one year anniversary (really doesn't seem that long). We also participated in Route 66 Bike Week, an event sponsored by several businesses from Needles, CA to Seligman, AZ. We supported one of our business members, Saddle Sore Ranch, a biker "resort" and campground. We helped set things up for the big bash, and organized some biker games. Unfortunately, due to the timing of the games, we didn't have enough participants to have games. Later that evening, it got quite busy, and we would have been more successful if we had timed it then. Lesson learned. Nonetheless, we had lots of fun and met a lot of people touring the area. We raffled off a beautiful quilt, donated by a local supporter and raised some much needed funds for our chapter. Route 66 has a huge draw for bikers and we expect this event to be larger next year.

In May, we joined with a local Kingman MC, the Chosen Lunatics for their fund raiser poker run. They are a great family oriented club, and they had our back last year when we held our first event. We were happy to support their's in return.

Then there is Too Broke for Sturgis. Several members joined the festivities at Mormon lake. I myself, helped out members of the Mohave County Chapter at the merchandise booth. Just like last year, the T-shirts were a big hit and sold very quickly.

We also took several rides with the unstructured group, "Brunch Bunch Riders". Most members of our Chapter are also members of the Brunch Bunch. We ride twice a week to various restaurants in the area, we do plenty of riding around northwest Arizona, and a little into California and Nevada.

Next month, we plan to coordinate with a local car club “The Pharoahs”, for a car and bike show. Details will be posted on our Facebook page when they are solidified.

Ride safe, stay cool.

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