

ABATE of AZ East Valley Chapter 11/19/23 Meeting Minutes  
Location American Legion Post 138

1. Call to Order
  1. Sergeant at Arms (or designated officer). Meeting call to order time:   10:00am
  2. Pledge of allegiance, moment of silence and remembrance.
  3. ABATE of Arizona, Inc. mission statement: ***We will lobby and educate the government and the general public to promote motorcycling in a safe and positive image. We will endeavor to enlist the cooperation and participation of all organizations and individuals who share a similar interest in preserving our American tradition of FREEDOM. We will involve ourselves in fund raising to achieve our goal.***
2. Welcome guests, current members, and new members to the East Valley Chapter.- Mike's Motorcycle Towing (Shea & Bryna Kline), Steve Singer
3. Reading of previous meeting minutes by Secretary: motion to waive reading of minutes by Betsy; approved
4. Motion to elect the following nominated officers: Motion by Rick Ferguson; Passed
  1. Joe Silk - Chapter Coordinator, Membership Officer, and Communications Officer
  2. Jeff Gorall – Vice Chapter Coordinator
  3. Stacy Montgomery- Secretary and Runs and Events Officer
  4. Jesse Roberts - Treasurer
  5. Damian Paige - Sgt of Arms and Merchandise
  6. Matthew Reemelin - Safety Officer
  7. PAC – Gary Crawford
5. Treasurer's Report: Cliff Prentice  
\$2143.53+\$188 = \$2331.53 (with no bank fees!)
6. Political Action Report -Rick Ferguson  
BiPAC - separating from ABATE, Spoke on Right to Speak
7. Merchandise report – Damian Paige  
New sticker for High School safety program  
Challenge Coin- in works  
Damian has been elected to state merchandise officer.
8. Safety Officer's Report: Matthew Reemelin (Absent)
9. Runs and Events: Stacy Montgomery  
After Thanksgiving Ride - 8am KSU to Jake's Corner

## 10. Membership Report: Joe Silk

**213 : Total Members(last month, 200)**

### Old Business

1. Join the call to action email/mobile list for AZ Free Enterprise club, email [April@azfree.org](mailto:April@azfree.org) with your name and mobile # if you want text calls to action. They will use your email address you sent the email from unless otherwise stated. Let her know you are from [ABATE.AZ](http://ABATE.AZ)
2. Fundraising – Please send in your ideas for fundraising. Our funds go towards sending members to events (Meeting of the Minds), fees, and chapter materials. Ideas? Discuss? Submit your ideas via email to Stacy.
3. Hard Ass Run – need members to join committee – respond to Stacey’s request. The Hard Ass Run is an annual chapter fundraiser. It is also an awesome “hard on your ass” ride!
4. Dobson Lakes Family Chiropractic – will donate a \$15 gift card for each new patient
5. Farm Bureau Insurance – will donate \$25 for each new quotation (don’t have to sign up)
6. If you want to be signed up with the AZ Gov RTS system please advise.

## 11. New Business

1. New business members – Aardvark Notary, Motorcycles and Coffee, and Roosters Country. Need to schedule a presentation of their patches and certificates. New business member: Mike’s Motorcycle Towing and Transport(Shea and Bryna Kline).
2. Motorcycle Awareness Program: – Completed: Skyline(Oct 23<sup>rd</sup>), Mt View(Oct 30<sup>th</sup>), Highland(Nov 6<sup>th</sup>), Mesa(Nov 13<sup>th</sup>), Red Mountain(Oct 2<sup>nd</sup>) – over 500 students were educated about motorcycle awareness. Remaining: Westwood (Nov 20<sup>th</sup>) and Desert Ridge(Nov 27<sup>th</sup>). Thanks to Erin Berry-Schade, Glenn Gussak, Jay Duarte, and Dan Widmar for your contributions and support. The goal is to have certified instructors who can take on a school without the MAP coordinator in attendance. The coordinator will still be in charge of scheduling, course content (This is an ABATE “sanctioned” activity and the course content must be followed), and supplies.
3. Membership booth schedule(need volunteers to help out) –Cycle Gear Mesa – 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month(1700 to 2000). Dec 9 Run to the Guns – ALR Post 2. Please look at every riding group website or facebook site for additional booth opportunities – they must be free of charge(we are a non-profit). Please help schedule membership opportunities to ALR groups or other riding groups.
4. Support Post 138’s Run to the Guns Event on Dec 9<sup>th</sup>. Post 138 provided ABATE a no-cost \$300 sponsorship and a no cost \$50 membership booth. For more details: [www.runtotheguns.org](http://www.runtotheguns.org)

5. Meet and Greet – schedule to once every other week? Where? Get together before Christmas – Taco nite at Joyride? Get with Stacy if you have an idea on the next meet & greet.  
Tuesday after Thanksgiving at Brick & Barley
6. Congratulations to our new state officers: Stacy Montgomery (Events and PAC), Damian Paige (Merchandise), and Gary Crawford (Sargent of Arms).
7. Guest Speaker: Attorney Norman Blakely (cell 602-561-6116)
  - i. living wills
  - ii. Medical POA (can be registered with state)
  - iii. Financial POA
  - iv. Mental health care POA
12. Motion to Adjourn 11:14am