

## September 2019

Last month, while supporting our Chapter Club Members, the Old Bastards MC – Payson at their annual Running with the Pups fundraiser for the Central Arizona Humane Society, we learned of the tragic death of Robert Frank Welch, better known as "Gnome", Vice-President of Old Bastards MC - Salt River. Gnome was traveling north on Highway 87, just 3 miles south of town, on his way to the fundraiser when a large SUV suddenly crossed the road in front of him. High Country Chapter wishes its sincerest condolences to the OBMC.

Gnome's death was the 3<sup>rd</sup> motorcycle fatality in the previous month in High Country. We really do want you all to come up and see us but, please, be as careful as possible. Remember that you are not the only tourist up here enjoying the scenery. PLEASE, please, please be careful!

On a brighter note, the anemic monsoon season has made for some awesome weekend rides for those of you trying to get away from the heat. Remember you have a permanent invitation to come and see us. If you can make it, drop by the Moose Lodge in Star Valley a little before 10 AM on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month and join us for our monthly Chapter Meeting. We would love to see you.

Our next planned event is the Chili Cook-Off in October. The cook-off winner receives \$200 cash and a cool trophy. The event will be held at our business member, the Tonto Rim Bar & Grill in Star Valley on Oct. 19<sup>th</sup>. FREE Live entertainment by Hans Olson included. Save the date.