

April 2020

Hello folks. I would like to introduce myself for your pleasure. I am Mike Rudd, otherwise known as Navy Mike. I am the new Phoenix/Shadow Mountain Vice Coordinator and interim Communications Officer. I am sure, here in the beginning I may make a few mistakes. If I make a mistake and you want clarification, please contact me as soon as possible.

I am opening this report with the information presented by our Legislative Director, Mike Infanzon. Mike using gracious assertiveness, related that we are at a crossroad and we are taking a long trail away from our duties. Mike related some or most of us have been lacking when it comes to supporting, contacting, or calling on our state legislators. I for one am guilty, many of our members are as well. Mike related we should be using the Masterlink, Social Media, and texting as a way of contacting one another as well as our state Legislators. Mike presented 5 bills that on the table.

1. H2005: Civil Traffic Violations: Community Restitution
2. H2060: Autonomous Vehicles: Safety Features: Prohibitions
3. H2285: Motorcycles Operations: Passing Vehicles
4. H2340: Autonomous Vehicles: ADOT Directors' Duties
5. H2442: Highway Safety Fee Repeal

Please take the time to read these bills thoroughly. Once finished, and becomes second nature to your thoughts, bring your thoughts to our next meeting. Let's open them up for discussion. These are Bills being presented to our legislators for votes. They may or may not affect us depending on how personally we feel about them. Please contact your state legislator and chew on their ear for a while, but be reasonable. Mike what you have done and what you are doing is deeply appreciated by me and I know from our members. You get a big Bravo Zulu.

I would also like to mention Chris Beals, our PAC. He has been working hand in hand with Mike Infanzon and our legislators. I believe he as a great addition to our numbers. What better way to get us to sign a petition? Bring the petition to us. As a unit of members, I am sure we appreciate you and want to know more about you as you grow into one of our members. You get a big Bravo Zulu. If you do not know what that means, ask Mike.

Our Membership Coordinator was unable to attend the meeting. We tabled our thoughts as to our membership, until next month.

Our Safety Coordinator, Ernie Lizarraga, presented us with information regarding a hazard of using the Dunlop P42 motorcycle tire. Ernie related since 2006 there has been 22 documented injuries to motorcycle riders as a result of the tire in question. Stay away from the Dunlop P42 tire. Ernie also invited our members to join him and others to Ernie's 'Finish the Ride 10th Anniversary' In honor of the fallen, 'Dayle, Steve, Dan, and Clyde'. The ride will meet at Albertsons 18411 N. Cave Creek Rd on March 21, 2020. Bravo Zulu.

Our Merchandise Coordinator Dee Grady has been shopping, debating, and bargaining to supply use with the items we need and at a best price. Dee is in discussions with Mike Snider, (previous Coordinator), working on obtaining logo pins, appr. 100 with the ABATE Logo, it was also discussed purchasing Gray T-Shirts with the previous logo. Long sleeve and short sleeve. Our Coordinator Nolan Steed related he would like to perhaps obtain Camouflage shirts, and so would I. Dee Bravo Zulu, and I know you know what that means.

We were not served breakfast this meeting. Our Coordinator Nolan Steed related the President of the Italian/American Club would come down on the price to \$10.00 as opposed to \$12.00. We had a very in-depth discussion regarding what we expected for the money we pay. In fact, it was quiet refreshing watching Darla Hampton manipulate the discussion. At any rate, she got what she wanted as well as all the rest of us. We tabled the decision until Nolan can get more specific information regarding what we will receive for our money.

Our Runs Coordinator and Coordinator Nolan Steed related there is a Saint Patrick's Day party at Hooligan's Club House on 14 March 2020, at 1600 hours or 4:00 PM for you civilians. He will have a booth set-up and I am sure he would enjoy a little company from our members. Notify Nolan for location address.

The Moon 100 Mile Run has been cancelled due to scheduling and time.

On the other hand, the Memorial Day 'Freedom Run' Poker Run has been falling into place. We are looking into providing poker chips for that ride. More instructions will be given as we come closer to the event date. Nolan also related he will be attending the 'Ramjet' Customer Appreciation Party on the 22nd of March. Contact Nolan for more details. I am sure he would like the company of our members.

The board meeting will be 04 April 2020. I believe it will begin at 0900 hours, or 9:00 AM for you civilians, at the Italian/American Club.

I didn't get very good notes regarding the AAIC-breakfast & storage, nor the RTS. I am sure Lyn Peterson has them in her notes. You can contact her for that information. Also, Lyn juggled two jobs during our meeting. Our Treasurer was unable to attend so, Lyn did her Secretary job and the job of Treasurer. It was amazing how she performed. Lyn Bravo Zulu. Someone will tell you what that means?

I have a few short notes: We may be having a new Abate of Arizona Chapter opening in Mohave'. I will post more information as I receive it.

The Superstition Abate Chapter is sponsoring a Poker Run on 21 March 2020. To obtain more information go to the Masterlink and look to the Superstition website and contact their Communications Coordinator. Keep in mind the run is the same day as Ernie's Finish the Ride 10th Anniversary. Choose accordingly.

Jerry Davis, Sergeant-at-Arms related he has tickets to the 'Spartan MC 40th Anniversary'. It will be held 19 September 2020. You have time to decide.

We have a new member, from Chicago, IL. We welcome Julian Jaramillo, Sr. We also have a new perspective member, Terri (TR) Barkley. It should be easy enough to wrangle her in. She is Chris Beals' mom.

OK, it's my first mistake. I did not get the name of our male visitor. But you saw him, and I saw him, and everybody saw him so thank you for coming. Maybe we will see you next month.

Sheri won the 50/50. She gave back \$5.00.

One of our members asked what do we do if the Coronavirus is pandemic level at the same time we have Too Broke For Sturgis. That is something that we should all consider. If the outbreak comes to us, and is epidemic level, of course we would have to cancel the event. I do have some information regarding the virus, from my Personal Care Manager, (PCM-doctor). I had an appointment with him on Monday the 9th and we discussed this problem in depth. He related, take the 1918 Influenza Bird Flu for example. It killed nearly 100,000,000 people. Now multiply that by 10. Meaning it has a 3% mortality rate. He related that is extinction level. He also related it's just a matter of time when it will hit us. I asked him how he got all this information. He related he was the key leader of a Triage Team at the VA Hospital and they are actively training for the Coronavirus Pandemic. I asked if the virus is 'contact or air born' and he related 'contact'. I asked him if the virus could infect live stalk or our pets, (cats, dogs, etc.) He related dogs have been infected, but he does not have information about live stalk or any other animal pets.

While I was active in the U.S. Navy, I went through Chemical, Biological, and Radiological Warfare. I understand if this virus is as bad as Biological Warfare such as Anthrax, we may be in real trouble. We truly will be in absolute trouble if Martial Law is imposed and dire straits if I we would be recalled back to Active Duty due to this Pandemic. And that can happen. Next month we must discuss this in depth. I will try to obtain more information about the virus and present the information at our next meeting.

I am finished with the monthly report. I hope my writing has been entertaining and poignant. See you all next month.

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