

# A.B.A.T.E. of Arizona

## Southern Arizona Chapter Monthly Meeting Minutes



**Meeting Date:** January 20, 2024

**Site:** Northwest Tucson Moose Lodge  
**Site Address:** 2660 W Ruthrauff Rd., Tucson, AZ 85705

**Presiding Officer:** Jeremy Krauss

**Officers Attending:**

Coordinator: Jeremy Krauss	Present
Vice-Coordinator: Anissa “Dragonfly” Huntington	Present
Secretary: Monica Byrne	Present
Treasurer: Monica Byrne	Present
Membership: Jim Butsback	Present
Sgt at Arms: Rob Rogers	Present
Safety: Darron Huntington	Present
P.A.C.: William Cleveland	Present
Runs/Events: George Moses	Not Present
Communication: Judi Miller	Present
Merchandise: Vacant	Not Present
B.O.D. Rep: Anissa “Dragonfly” Huntington	Present

**Meeting Call to Order @ 10:00 am**

Followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

**Reading of the Mission Statement:** We are a political organization. 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. Read by Anissa Huntington

**Reading of the Minutes by Secretary:**

Motion made by Robert Welton and seconded Darron Huntington to waive reading and accept as presented was approved.

**Coordinator's Comments:** Participate in the Lobby Day coming up next week.

**Vice-Coordinator's Comments:** Nothing at this time

**Treasurer's Report:**

There is \$ 5,536.20 Combined In-Chapter and Held by the State. There were \$ 0 in expenses last month and the chapter raised \$ 0 from 50/50. Motion was made by Darron Huntington and seconded by Lonnie Rice to accept the report, which was approved.

**Safety:** Pay attention to road conditions as they change daily. Now we have cold & rainy days & then it's sunny. Always check your tires before riding. Watch out for drivers!!

**Membership Report:** 79 Active Members, 191 Inactive Members. Cindy has finally got the Membership number on the automated system & spreadsheets to match with the help of Woody. Yesterday Mike Infanzon, myself & Cliff our State Treasury went to Globe and we officially started the New Globe Chapter. We had the meeting & elected Officers & have Officers in place. V-Twin collective we got the new business membership & patches, we can get together to present that to them.

**Merchandise:** Nothing at this time

**P.A.C.:** Next week is officers training & Lobby Day on Monday. Those who are going to the training can get information regarding the Lobby Day at the meeting. Kongs Law the bill has been read on the floor then it can go to committee & has not been read yet. I know there are 12 bills that are being watched right now about ABATE & Transportation, but none of our bills have been read yet. Make sure you set up with the request to speak system.

PAC Funds donations sheets were prepared by Monica for all that make donations need your name, address, & amount donated.

**Runs/Events:**

**February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2024 "Moonshine",** Shirley Moore-Bizub, past President of ABATE of Arizona, passed away at the end of December. There will be a celebration of life for Moonshine on Saturday the 24th of February at 2:00 at 2741 Hunt Ave., Kingman AZ at the Desert Road Riders clubhouse. Everyone who knew Moonshine is invited to attend.

I-40 Westbound, exit E. ANDY DEVINE AVE. and go right. Take the first right onto AIRWAY AVE. Take next right onto N. DIAMOND ST. Take next right onto KENWOOD AVE. and follow it under I-40 (turns into EASTERN ST.) Go two blocks and make a right on TATUM AVE., then left on WASHINGTON ST. and right onto HUNT AVE. You're there!

Google doesn't show the 2741 address on their maps, but using Google maps address "2742 Hunt Ave., Kingman, AZ 86401" will get directions.

FMI: Gary "G" Vick (360) 349-8113

**March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Fraternal Order of Eagles Motorcycle Swap Meet**, 1530 N. Stone Ave., Tucson, AZ from 7am-12:00pm. Buy, Sell or Trade, All Brands Welcome including Car Parts, Vendors Wanted Paved Spaces 10x10 \$20, 10x20 \$30 Text to reserve your spot Mary @ 520-300-1496. Kitchen & Bar Open

**April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Share the Road & Riding for the Long Haul Fundraiser at Marriott Phoenix Chandler 1600 South Price Rd. Chandler, AZ 85286 from 5:30pm to 9:30pm.** For more information on Sponsorship or Tickets go to: [www.AMSAF/org/RFTLH](http://www.AMSAF/org/RFTLH) Table Sponsor (table 8) \$1,500 Individual Tickets \$150. Door Prizes, Live & Silent Auctions, & Mega Raffles.

**May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Annual Chapter Fundraiser Fisher House Run**, Northwest Tucson Moose Lodge 2660 W Ruthrauff Rd., Tucson, AZ 85705. \$10.00 a person. Vendors, 50/50, Raffle Prizes. Registration starts at 11:00am, kickstands up at 12:00pm.

**May 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024 MRF - 15th Annual Michael "BOZ" Kerr Bikers Inside the Beltway**  
The 15th Annual Michael "Boz" Kerr Bikers Inside the Beltway is the ONLY National Motorcycle Lobby Day held in our nation's capital. Motorcyclists from around the country ride to Washington D.C., to help educate Members of Congress regarding the issues facing motorcyclists today. This event will be held Monday, May 20th and Tuesday, May 21st, 2024. All online registration and attendance confirmation need to be completed by May 15, 2024. MAKE YOUR CONGRESSONAL APPOINTMENTS NOW! ALL ROOMS NEED TO BE BOOKED BY APRIL 22, 2024. ROOMS ARE LIMITED

SCHEDULE Monday, May 20th

MRF Board Meeting @ Embassy Suites - start 8am Lobbying Prep. Session @ Embassy Suites 6-8 pm

Tuesday, May 21<sup>st</sup> Lobby Day @ Congressional Offices (KSU: TBD) Post Debrief Session @ Embassy Suites 6-8pm

HOTEL EMBASSY SUITES 1900 Diagonal Rd Alexandria, VA 22314 703-684-5900

Reservation Code: MRF

\$260 Base Rate Rooms Are Limited!

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<https://motorcycleridersfoundation.wildapricot.org/...>

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<https://mrf.org/join-the-mrf/>

**Communications:** Nothing really to report but I have been sending reminders of upcoming meetings.

**Board:** I forgot about the board meeting 2 weeks ago but also I had to work. Biggest thing is they want to get the budgets done every chapter is required to send in budgets. There are issues with a couple of chapters & ours was received. They starting this new project we got a real problem with doing membership they want to do a state wide membership drive. They are going to look for people to be on the committee.

### **Old Business:**

We will be doing mandatory training/briefing session will be on January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024 in Phoenix, during the State Officer Training. All the officers when we have the training it would be good for all to attend.

We have decided to have our annual Chapter Fundraiser Fisher House Run & Meeting on the same day May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Prices will be \$10.00 a person. We will have our meeting at Northwest Tucson Moose Lodge 2660 W Ruthrauff Rd., Tucson, AZ 85705 at 10:00am then Registration for run at 11:00am, kickstands up at 12:00pm. William will work on Logo for flyer created & approved for printing, so we can start getting them out & distributed. We are looking for a volunteer committee for the run & if you are interested in being on the committee, please let Anissa Huntington know & she will have Judi put it out in an email. We need 5 people to volunteer on the committee. 1 will handle route, 1 to handle vendors, 1 to get volunteers for each stop, 1 to handle setup at final stop, 1 to get advertising, we need to get T-shirts or patches for the run to give to all that attend our run. Anissa will get with Husband & Wife for more give away stuff. Motion was made & approved for May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

Chapter Raffle Fundraiser what & when we want to start that and what we want to raffle off. We will discuss that at next meeting.

William Cleveland wants to have a Memorial Ride in Honor of JD Dare on April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024, as it would 1 year since we lost him. We can meet some where kickstands up stop & have either breakfast or lunch. Motion was made & approved by all in attendance.

### **New Business:**

Fisher House Run, Anissa got us flyers 500 of them take them pass them out. I got them done within a week & it did not cost us anything got the Husband & Wife Law team again she got them done. Still need 4 Volunteers for the committee, Run Route – Darron Huntington, 1 to handle & setup vendors, 1 taking care of the beads, Final Stop setup will be done by Monica Byrne, we need a PR person to get advertising (Radio stations, to other events to get the word out) We are also looking to get T-shirts done to give out but we also sponsors & put their name on the t-shirts. We will put the Fisher House Run on the front of shirts & sponsors on the back. If we can get 25 sponsors at \$100 each that's \$2,500 and order 200 shirts you are going to still have way more than we need to purchase the shirts & still be able to give Fisher House an additional donation. Anissa will talk to the Husband & Wife Team about getting swag/grab bags done like last year. So we will need help to stuffing bags. We discussed about doing Patches or Run Pins the pins would cost more than Patches. Anissa will speak to Gator about getting wristbands for the run. We also need Raffle Prizes donated for the run. Once the committee is complete we will be having a meeting on the run.

Chapter Raffle Fundraiser do we want to do another gun or something else for our Fundraiser? Jim got the raffle tickets last around 500 tickets. Darron Huntington made a motion & was seconded & accepted. Let us know what type of gun and what not. William suggested we think about what we want to auction & table it at the next meeting such as 1 yr. membership of ABATE or entrance to To Broke for Sturgis.

Jim wants to start a monthly ride or breakfast ride on a Saturday or Sunday since most people work during the week. Not on our Meeting day. This will be an opportunity to get out as ABATE Members & do something more every month. Looking at maybe the 2<sup>nd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> weekend of the month. Jim will pick a date & let Judy know so she can send it out.

Motorcycle Awareness Month in May would like to do something. There are several events going on in May but we should do something.

**Membership Drawing:**

A total of \$ 72.00 was in the pot. Monica Abraham, name was pulled. The amount will rollover to next month because he/she was not at the meeting. Next Month will be \$ 83.00.

**50/50 Pot:** The winner was Jim Butsback for the amount \$ 15.00.

**Motion to Adjourn:**

Was made by Darron Huntington Seconded by Rob Rogers to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 11:00 am.

**Next Meeting:**

February 17th, 2024 at 10:00 am at Northwest Tucson Moose Lodge 2660 W Ruthrauff Rd., Tucson, AZ 85705

Jeremy Krauss  
Coordinator

Monica Byrne  
Secretary