



Havasuside by Side Trail Association

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President's Message January 1, 2021

Today our Lucky 52 committee lead by the Sunshine ladies, Jan O'Gorman, and Jeannie Chilia, will host the first live drawing of Week 1 winner at approximately 3 pm. This lucky person will win \$500. A big thank you goes out to Jan and Jeannie's committee members: Dana Glass, Mary Costa, and Anna Mortensen for all their work helping in this fund raiser.

The Christmas light ride was a huge success. Everyone enjoyed the night. Congrats to our winners Rick Drake and Mary Costa. Everyone did an outstanding job. People all over town loved seeing all the wonderfully decorated SXS's. I watched them drive by my home and it was amazing to see. I will not miss another year! Adopt a senior brought joy to so many of our elderly in Town. Carmen and Anna Mortensen continue to do an outstanding job of being Santa and Mrs. Claus, along with all their many elf helpers. A big thank you to all who donated, worked, packaged, and delivered!

It is with deep regret that we the Board of Directors and your chair leaders announce the January meeting will be canceled as will all committee meetings for the month. Mohave county is in tough shape with the rapid spread of COVID-19. Our hospital is understaffed and over full at this time with many staff sick. HSXSTA have several members that have contracted COVID-19, and some are still sick. Others have family members fighting for their lives. Prayers and compassion to all effected. Add to that, there is a new more contagious strain of COVID-19 found in England and recently identified in Colorado on a person who did not travel.

Your Ride Chairman, Dave Garrity has talked to the Board and we all reached a decision to not host large, open club rides until this health risk is minimized. Ride leaders may host small, limited club rides to keep everyone safe. Of course, private rides are always up to the individual. Masks and social distancing should be mandatory on these rides, but it is up to each Ride leader. If Scott or I host a ride, anyone exiting their SXS will be required to mask up and keep distance or choose not to ride with us. The weekend at Bouse has been postponed until February. Please wear your name tag or facsimile on all rides. With masks on it is more important to help identify each other.



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The "Cow Bell Award" is awaiting a recipient. Membership overwhelmingly agreed it needs to be given out. If you know of any deserving member on a Club Sanctioned ride that has done something silly, funny, or crazy (no accidents please), notify Dave Garrity Ride Chairman or any Board member. This is a chance to laugh at ourselves and the stories can be heavily embellished with some truth thrown in.

There was quite a bit of dialog at our last meeting on the posting of ride photos from private rides. Those that want it to remain as is state it is helpful to see new places and where you might like to request a club ride leader take you. Private rides can be more intimate, and friendships are formed. In an organization as large as ours is, there will always be friendships that are not inclusive to all. Those that would like to see this changed do not understand why so many lovely pictures on rides are posted but they had no notification to join. If you go on club rides, talk to people, and get to know some. You may then start your own small private rides and form friendships. We offer all these tracks to all members. We are working to add another option. This option could be used to set up your own private ride, post your photos, jokes, puppies etc. This does not mean you cannot post on our HSXSTA page. You will have the choice to post on your private page, our club page, or the new place, all, or none of them. Do what is best for you. So, the policy has been and will remain: If you post photos of private rides on the current HSXSTA Facebook page, you must state "**PRIVATE RIDE**". Further, do not share from your private page to HSXSTA. What happens then is only people you are friends with on your personal page can see your post. All other club member sees "Content Not Available". These posts will be removed immediately. You must make it a new post, not a share so all our members can see.

Remember, membership dues and apparel can be paid through PayPal to: havasusxs@gmail.com. Just add a memo of what you are paying for. When using PayPal, choose friend & family option as we are a nonprofit. That will eliminate fees. You can also mail a check to: HSXSTA, POB 481, LHC, AZ 86405-0481.

**"ALTHOUGH NO ONE CAN GO BACK AND MAKE A BRAND-NEW START,
ANYONE CAN START FROM NOW AND MAKE A BRAND-NEW ENDING."
Happy New Year 2021!**

Respectfully,

Donna Pineau



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Events:

Jan 1 st	3 pm	Lucky 52 \$500 drawing on Facebook
Jan 5 th	9 am	Limited ride – Scott Pierstorff, lead
Jan 8 th	3 pm	Lucky 52 \$100 drawing on Facebook
Jan 15 th	3 pm	Lucky 52 \$100 drawing on Facebook
Jan 22 nd	3 pm	Lucky 52 \$100 drawing on Facebook
Jan 29 th	3 pm	Lucky 52 \$100 drawing on Facebook
Feb 9 th	10 am	Ride Committee Meeting
Feb 10 th	TBD	Special Events Meeting
Feb 11 th	10 am	Board of Directors Meeting
Feb 20 th	2 pm	General Meeting – Paso del Sol (empty lot at the end) (this meeting time and place is subject to change.)

Watch Facebook often for listings of small, limited rides. We are doing the best we can.