



### Lost Dutchman Days Parade

We had a head count of about 30 riders, combination of both GGR and tag-a-longs in the parade.



### An Overview of March's Rides

The Spring Ride and gymkana will be reported in the May newsletter as the event occurred to late in the month to be included in this news letter.

**River Ride (3/7)** - The day was perfect. Seventeen riders met at the upper Salt River parking lot. We crossed the road and took the trail next to the mountain back towards the bridge. At our first stop we spotted a herd of wild horses, including this year's brand new baby. Next, we skirted the river to a wash. After giving the horses a drink, the trail took us north, up the wash and around the mountain. Everything was green and blooming with flowers. Once we reached the top of the mountain, we had a great view of Saguaro Lake to the east and Fountain Hills to the west. The ride finished up by riding under the highway thru a huge culvert and back up to the trailers. Since our President Steve had to work, Deana & Liza stepped up to the plate and brought hot dogs, buns and a grill.

#### GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

MONDAY, MARCH 2<sup>nd</sup>, 7:30 PM

Mammoth Steakhouse & Saloon  
4650 N/ Mammoth Mine Road  
(Goldfield Ghost Town)  
480.982.6402

Parking available at saloon

MEETINGS ARE FIRST MONDAY OF EACH MONTH  
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Everybody else brought something to pass. We all enjoyed lunch and each others company. The talk is, lets come back and do some exploring. For those of you who couldn't make it, you missed a beautiful ride.



The lake from the ridge.



Heading up the trail with the cowboy poet.

**Gentlemen's Ride (3/21)**

The Gentlemen's ride once again was a huge success. Sherrie Woods headed up the planning with her faithful crew of helpers.

The ride started at the Russell's and consisted of 13 riders. Rick and Steve G. were on quads this year. The 2nd stop was at Bull Dog gate.

The Forestry guys seemed entertained until it came time for the girls to pass thru and show I.D. They gave us a free pass this time. Maybe because of all the cleavage that was showing! Tom Woods was head wrangler and the group headed up 1356 to Destiny Trail (which has just been named for it's maiden run) The trail is awesome with winding curves which continue to take you from wash to meadow and amazing scenery of caves and canyons. At the top of the hill, the horses most definitely need to blow out, but what a breath taking view! The 3rd stop was just off the jeep trail where the jello shots put a smile on everyones face. Back to Bull Dog gate the snacks were finished and gifts were passed out to all of the cowboys. The lunch and party ended at the Griffin's where "Best Guy" Awards were handed out and will certainly become an annual tradition. Another famous Sherrie Woods poem was read and fun was had by all. We even had a few new guys who are welcome to join us in the future. Sam Buckingham won 1st place on the poker hand, Clint Frisbie 2nd, and Steve Christopher won with low.

**Special thanks to all of the girls: Sherrie, Cathy, Glenda, Lynn, Dori, Kim, Donna, Sandie, Jenna, and our littlest cowboy Colton.**



Top: Heading "down" the trail.

Middle: Jeep Trail #10.

Left: Riding solo.

Right: The Pres and V-Pres.

*Editor's Note: Monthly meeting notes are not published in their entirety. Every effort is being made to report the monthly activities of the Goldfield Ghost Riders through this newsletter. Any member can request the actual minutes of the meeting by contacting Doreen Donobue, Secretary, at 480.983.3237.*

St. Joseph's Hospital and Medical Center  
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**SUPERSTITION PAINT HORSES**

**10<sup>th</sup> Annual Open House**

APRIL 11<sup>th</sup>, 2009 11:00 - ???

ALL PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT  
**ST. JOE'S PEDIATRIC INTENSIVE CARE UNIT**  
(ALL DONATIONS TAX DEDUCTIBLE)

Lunch served from Noon until gone

Auction (1:30pm)  
Live Bands  
50/50 RAFFLE (3:30pm)

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**3rd Annual Golf Tournament**  
- www.golfdigestplanner.com/9179-3rdannualCameronTinInvitational  
- 8:00 AM Start Time - Prizes awarded at 1:00pm  
- Prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd Places  
- 4 Man Scramble - Shotgun Start  
**Queen Valley Golf Course**  
Call (520) 463-2898 to enter

Directions: I-60 (Superstition Freeway) to mile marker 212. Exit to El Camino Viejo. Follow signs and balloons to 1670 W Scissortail Place (520) 463-2898

#### NEWSLETTER ADVERTISING RATES

**CLASSIFIED** - 1 month - \$5 members / \$10 non-members

**BUSINESS CARD** - 1 month - \$10 members / \$20 non-members

#### QUARTER PAGE

1 month - \$20 members / \$50 non-members

6 month - \$100 members / \$150 non-members

12 month - \$200 members / \$250 non-members

Ad rates are effective January 2009. Ads are payable when submitted. Note: you get one month free with a six month paid contract.

**Easter Egg Hunt:** The City of Apache Junction Parks and Recreation have invited us to participate in their annual Easter Egg hunt on Sat April 11th. If you need more info call Doreen @ 480.983.3237.

#### Request for Stories

Want to get something published in the newsletter? We're looking for articles to include. Contact Chet ([dodgecoo7@hughes.net](mailto:dodgecoo7@hughes.net)) if you have anything.

**Reminder: Membership Dues are to be sent in now.** Yearly dues are \$20 per person. You need not fill out an application if you are a returning member. New members must complete the membership application. Come pick up the applications at one of our monthly meetings or go to our web site and print one off.

## Upcoming 2009 Rides

### MAY '09

- Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> – Catalina's Overnight Ride -- Show up AM Overnight with Potluck
- Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> – Short Ride Goldfields

### JUNE '09

- Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> – Moonlight Ride Signup@8PM
- Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> – Rim Ride Potato Lake Show up AM Overnight with Potluck

### JULY '09

- Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> – Moonlight Ride
- Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> – Pinal Mtn Ride Show up AM Overnight with Potluck

### AUGUST '09

- Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> – Moonlight Ride
- Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> – Pinal Mtn Ride Show up AM Overnight with Potluck

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### April's Rides

The **Top of the World Ride** is on **April 4th**. Show up on Saturday morning or come by Friday night. We're staying overnight Saturday with a potluck so bring the goodies. It will be exploration riding. Really no designated trails. No specific times. Ride at your own leisure. **NO FACILITIES!!!** Bring your own.

Directions: Take US 60 East. Past mile post 236 the road turns left. On the right is the scenic over look. Take the old road through the Scenic over look. follow it for about a mile. The road is **ROUGH!!!!!!** There is lots of parking.

The **Goldfield Short Ride** is on **April 18th 28th**.

Meet at 9:00 am at the lower parking lot of Goldfield Ghost Town. Please, no dogs.

### Goldfield Ghost Riders Jackets

Donna has found jackets online for \$52.50 each. The lettering will be extra. Vicki is checking into the embroidery. Stay tuned for an update and get ready to place your orders.

The **Board of Directors Meeting** was held Monday March 16th. The officers of the board were elected. Donna Piland was re-elected as Chairperson. Jerry Sullivan was re-elected at Vice-Chair. Jim Moyle was elected as Secretary.

### NEWSLETTER PUBLICATION DATES, DEADLINES FOR INFORMATION REQUESTS

The Goldfield Ghost Riders Newsletter is published monthly and distributed at the end of each month. The deadline is the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month for inclusion in the newsletter released at the end of each month. Information pertaining to the Goldfield Ghost Riders, other nonprofit organizations, and member information will be accepted. Please contact Chet Dodge at 520.705.0107 or email to [dodgec007@hughes.net](mailto:dodgec007@hughes.net). Thanks for your help!



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