

# Bikers Soar For Wildlife

Sunday, February 16, 2014... The 9th annual Bikers Soar For Wildlife event to benefit the Adobe Mountain Wildlife Center was a great success thanks to the hundreds of people who rode to support the animals. It didn't hurt that the weather was perfect. Those who have been with us for the past 8 years know there have been rides through torrential rain, sleet, hail, and freezing temperatures. Not this year.

Sadly this was also a memorial ride dedicated to Robert T. Dodds. Mr. Dodds and his family have been Adobe Mountain Wildlife Center supporters for many years volunteering their time and also as major donors. Mr. Dodds passed away after a long illness. We at Adobe will miss him.

We try to change the route each year so we can ride through some different ar-

reas of the valley and enjoy some varied stops. This year we were back at Arrowhead Harley-Davidson for our start, then off for a few easy miles to the Lake Pleasant Visitor's Center. From here the route headed to The Roadrunner in New River; then over to El Encanto Dos on Carefree Hwy. The ride was about 80 miles this year; giving folks more time at the last stop.

We ended the ride at Hogs N Horses where Adobe volunteers and some of our "animal ambassadors" were on hand to say thanks to all who came out to support us. Golden Eagles, hawks, owls, and more were on display for the enjoyment of our riders.

Lunch was served as raffle winners were announced. Then some spirited bidding at our auction, with auctioneer Jim Moore, helped us raise the money we

need to feed and care for the hundreds of animals that come to Adobe each year. Bikers bring big hearts and wallets to these events and there was active participation in both the raffle and the auction.

The volunteers and animals at Adobe are most grateful to everyone who rode with us. This year we hosted nearly 300 participants! If you missed out this year, watch our web site for the dates of upcoming events. [www.azwildlifecenter.net](http://www.azwildlifecenter.net)

The AMWCA is a 501c3 organization. Donations are tax deductible and always welcome. Learn more about this organization by visiting their website at [www.azwildlifecenter.net](http://www.azwildlifecenter.net).

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