

Flaming Knights MC ~ Fully Loaded Party

The Flaming Knights MC ~ Castle 33 hosted their 2nd annual Fully Loaded Party on January 11-12, 2013. Activities included a Meet & Greet on Friday. Saturday featured a trip to a shooting range, a picnic, and a dance at night. There was something for everyone.

The Flaming Knights MC is a national organization – with chapters (Castles) in nearly every state. Arizona is fortunate to have 2 Castles. The following quote was found on Castle 8's website:

“The Flaming Knights Motorcycle Club was started in the garage of Leroy Bolden aka King Dragon, in New Haven, CT, April 27, 1968. The name FLAMING KNIGHTS came from the way the fellows were promiscuous with the ladies, so since they thought they were hot, it was suggested by their ladies that they call themselves FLAMING KNIGHTS.

Since the beginning we have been a traveling club. We like to ride...alot...

We hold no bias on color, gender, or brand of bike.

Our mission is to become the largest traveling motorcycle club in the world. We ride to promote togetherness, unity, family, and for the fun of it.”

The Flaming Knights MC is another

new (to me) club that I encountered during 2012. It wasn't until this year that I had a chance to attend one of their big events. Though I had another event to attend on Saturday, I wanted to stop by and collect some FK33 love. Since I love Meet & Greets – that's what I attended.

Traditionally, the 'Meet and Greet' is a special time for members to meet other members and to reconnect with old friends. I love the warm welcomes everyone receives when they greet sisters and brothers from other chapters (in this case, Castles) from all across the nation. Though I knew many faces from attending other community events – I'm still an outsider; thus I felt very fortunate to be walking amongst these bikers at such a special time. The Meet & Greet is a truly wonderful part of the over-all event.

Most of the Meet & Greets I've been to in the past featured regular club members playing their favorite play lists, but Castle 33 brought in some professional DJs. D and Private were the DJs and spun some amazing tunes. I was Wowed by their equipment: State-of-the-Art, with computers, digital turn-tables, a 19in flat screen, and 2 bigger flat screen TVs on stands. The DJs featured a DVD that had FK33 emblazoned across the TV screens. All that, plus the strobe lights and DJ “D”

on microphone; I was like WOW! People were dancing – it was way cool.

Another neat thing was all the delicious foods that would be available during the weekend, as The Ladies of Sublime SC (Social Club) would be cooking up some soul food delights. I was in love at 1st bite. \$5 bought you heaven on a plate. One of the Ladies told me what all they were cooking on Saturday, but my taste buds zeroed in on fried chicken, greens, and cornbread –YUM!

And yet another really cool deal FK33 does - is reward MCs and patch-holders with their event pricing. The Prez & VP are FREE with 1 Guest. Vested members are \$10 and Non-vested are \$15. Pre-event costs are \$5 cheaper. Or you can buy a \$35 armband/ticket. That armband gives you all you can drink Vodka & Jack and a free plate of food at the picnic or at dinner and entrance to all the events. I know some of the other clubs do this type of price deal, too. I think all the clubs should do this.

To sum it up – I want to Thank “Lost”, Castle 33's President, for his hospitality. I had a wonderful time.

Until our paths cross or our shadows meet, I wish you well.

Enjoy Life, I am

Lady Jewells