



Meet the Members Troyce "Tea" Borgerd

Hi this is "Tea" your September member of the month. Well, where do I begin?



Ok, I'll start with; I was born in Melbourne, Victoria, Australia many moons ago, we'll leave it at that. I have 2 sisters, (one passed away many years ago) 1 brother, 1 son, 4 grand-kids (Rob 20, Benny 16, Kitrena, 16 and Dameon, 11 years) oh and 1 husband, who is the best one I have ever had :)

I began riding motorcycles in the 80's with my son when I lived in the mountains of Rocky Point, Oregon. I started out on dirt bikes and had a blast, I knew I was hooked. We would go on every trail, back road we could find and if there wasn't a trail we made our own, that was in the summer months which were very short; maybe 4 months if lucky. In the winters we rode snowmobiles; just like

the dirt bikes we rode everywhere including across Klamath Lake which was pretty scary at times when you could hear the ice "cracking" under the pressure of the snowmobiles. In the little resort area in which I lived most people got around on dirt bikes, snowmobiles or snowshoes, it was a way of life. My son, his children and my brother (who is a diehard Harley rider) still live there; they will in no way ever leave the beautiful, green mountains of Oregon.

As for myself, I was always considered a "Gypsy" I think I have tried everything (that was legal) from driving limousines, teaching, church secretary, aerobics instructor, raced cars, ski lodge manager, hunter and trapper (sold the hides), hotel manager, bartender, owned my own cake decorating business, customer service rep., presently deputy sheriff and flight attendant, etc., etc. I just couldn't stay in one place for very long, one state, one husband, one job or career.



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Until...I met Dave, my best friend and love of my life. We met when I worked at United Beech Craft, a private and corporate FBO (fixed base operation) we catered to everyone from the President of the United States, to movies stars, and rock bands anyone and everyone who wanted or needed a private and secure place to land their jets. That was without doubt an entertaining job; traveled a lot, met a lot of fascinating people, shook hands with the President (almost got taken down by the secret service for that one).

My hubby, Dave is a deputy sheriff with the San Bernardino Sheriff's Aviation Division. He would fly into United Beechcraft to fuel the helicopter, and I thought "wow" what a nice, cute guy and boy does he look good walking away in his flight suit. Well that went on for about 4 years, found out later he was scared to ask me out. To make a longer story even shorter, he finally asked me out and our first date



was on his 1989 Honda Gold Wing to LAX airport restaurant for dinner. Okay, now I was hooked on him and his bike, we dated for a year and have been happily married for 14 years; I wouldn't trade him for the world but we did trade the bike, many years and many thousands of miles later.

In our travels we have ridden most of the U.S. and Canada, with our little Bush Tec trailer hooked on the back of his bike with all our camping gear. We love to ride to all of the "out of the way places" and stay off the main highway as much as possible. I am also very proud to say that Dave is serving his country with the Army National Guard as a reserve. He is in Alabama training to fly the Black Hawk helicopters and will probably get deployed some time in 2010 to Afghanistan.



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Dave encouraged me to join the Sheriff's dept. I graduated in 1997 and of course Dave was there to see me get my Sheriff's star. I worked at West Valley detention center for a while then to the streets for many years. Now I'm with the Sheriff's Range as a firearms instructor. I then decided I wanted to become a flight attendant, which is something I wanted to do when I was younger but having my son was a priority at the time. I graduated from the American Airlines Academy in Dallas, TX in 2000 and yes, Dave was there to pin my wings on. I was based in San Francisco right out of "Barbie Boot Camp" and then transferred to Los Angeles. After 9/11 American had to redistribute and furlough many of us. I'm based in New York now and have a "crash pad" with 5 other flight attendants, usually there's only one or two of us there at a time. It's a fun job definitely not a 9-5. I hope to get transferred back to San Fran., so I can be home more often. No matter how old I get I'll still be looking for new challenges, whether it's a career or just something new to do.

I have owned various bikes throughout my life dirt bikes and street bikes, the last bike which I still own but sets covered up in the garage is a 1989 Yamaha Venture Royale a beautiful wine berry colored bike. Believe it or not she was too tall for me (I'm 6'1") and too top heavy, but I still rode her even though she spent a few unlucky times on her side. You know the "Oh S__!! "There it goes in slow motion in front of everyone side parking." Then unfortunately I couldn't ride anymore except on the back of Dave's bike because of back problems. Prior to having my back surgery Dave surprised me with a beautiful 2001 Honda Gold Wing Trike, she is a black and chrome beauty. Yeahhhhh!! My riding days were back.

That's when I decided I wanted to ride with an "all female group" in the past it was mostly riding with Dave, all guys and other clubs. I happened to be in Highland Cycle in San Bernardino, where we bought both our bikes and in the riding information rack was "one" flyer from Women in the Wind, well I snatched that up, called and invited myself to the first meeting. What a wonderful, warm hearted, genuine greeting I got from a group of beautiful women the first meeting I attended. Well I knew then I was hooked once again with this group and if I didn't have to work and live in New York part of the time I would be riding every day, every event and helping to make up new, exciting and adventurous rides. I have had so many amazing rides and good times I love each and every one of you ladies, "Thank You" for accepting me as one of your "sisters" and making my life complete and more of an adventure than it has already been.

God bless
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