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DISTRICT 36 MOTORCYCLE SPORTS COMMITTEE, INC.

Referee's Meeting

January 20, 2010

America's Best Value Inn, Vacaville, CA

Meeting called to order at 7:44 p.m. by President Dave Pickett

Roll Call: 12 of 33 Clubs/Promoters in Attendance

Minutes for the November 2009 meeting approved as written with the following correction: Under Cross Country Scoring in the Referee's meeting, Al Fitch was reporting on behalf of Liz Fitch.

Minutes of the December 2009 meeting approved as written with the following corrections: Page 3 under sponsorships – No Cal Motorsports is a tire sponsor. Under Board of Directors meeting – Kraig Traum made the Enduro Steward nomination.

Correspondence:

None

Guests:

Kyra – AMA Congresswoman

Committee Reports:

Sanctioning: Steward Jeff Simpkins reported:

- The Old Crow CC Event originally scheduled for March 6-7, 2010 has been canceled. The Red Neck Roosters MC alternatively has added a 2-day youth event on May 1-2, 2010 at Sand Hill Ranch in Brentwood, CA
- The Oasis HS has been rescheduled from Jan 23-24 to Feb 6-7, 2010 due to the weather.
- The Valley Climbers have requested that the WFO Enduro to given dual points (Enduro and Cross Country) to be held on Nov 14, 2010. There was a lengthy discussion regarding the rules surrounding this request. Jeff Santos of Valley Climbers argued that according to the Operations Manual, a Brand Q Enduro can awards both Enduro and Cross Country Points. The Stewards and Director of Competition presented the reasons why they do not want to grant Cross Country points. Some reasons included: scoring crew required to be at two different locations on the same weekend, some said Enduro and Cross Country are “like” events and WFO and Yuba River CC are the same date, Cross Country adult events must also have Youth CC races and the main issue being the WFO has a 400 rider limit. (FYI: 2009 WFO had 162 riders and Yuba River 2009 had 367 riders.) CC Steward Kraig Traum does not approve granting CC points. After much discussion, Valley Climbers MC withdrew their request to have dual paying points for 2010 with the assumption that a committee will be formed to find a way to make this happen for 2011.

Cross Country: Steward Kraig Traum reported:

- The PCGP hosted by Polka Dots MC at Prairie City OHV Park in Rancho Cordova. Conditions were wet and muddy. Club personnel were great to work with. They had radio communications with course workers to report any issues back to home check/referee which was great. There were 89 “AA/A” riders, 100 “B” riders, 217 “C” riders for a total of 406.
- The next event is the Oasis HS hosted by Cross Country promotions on February 6-7, 2010.
- District 36 will have 5 AMA West Coast Nationals co-sanctioned with our MSR Championship Series. The 5 events are: Picacho Creek HS, Outlaw HS, Pony Soldier HS, Shasta Dam GP and Lilliputian HS.

- I would like to see all clubs/promoters run the same event schedule at each event next year with any course length of 15 miles or less. The riders want consistency in events, same classes, run at same times on same days.

Youth Cross Country: Steward Al Fitch reported:

- The PCGP hosted by Polka Dots MC at Prairie City OHV Park in Rancho Cordova was on January 16, 2010. They had 18 A/B 50s, 24 C 50s, 26 AA/A/B Youth, and 97 C Kids for a total of 165 youth racers.
- Reminder to all Referees: once the 30 minute protest period is over and the results are official, no changes can be made.

AMA Congress: Jerry Fouts reported:

- Fouts thanked the group for voting for Ed Santin and himself into congress again. He also proposed an idea of forming an entity called District 36 Recreation Riding Committee. This would be an entity for people to join who aren't interested in competition riding. They would be contributing to the fight for the right to ride and have a place to call home. A description of the proposed entity is as follows:
 - Would encompass dual sport licensed/unlicensed participants
 - Would include non competition participants
 - Would not require cards at inception
 - Would require LAO funds
 - Would allocate/use those LAO funds for non competition issues
 - Those issues essentially are the same as competition issues
 - Would be a gateway for potential competition members
 - Would encourage those non racer types to get involved in the survival of their sport at a cost they could afford
 - Would inform those "new" participants to organized recreation on how to get involved
 - Would not infringe on already established club events
 - Would be a win/win for everyone

Women: Steward Ray Feldman reported:

- We had one event on February 16-17, 2010 at Prairie City hosted by Polka Dots MC. The conditions were wet and muddy with rain most of the day on Sunday. There were 5 Diva Women, 9 Beginner Women, 1 "A", 4 "B", 6 "C" and 5 "C" Vet, for a total of 30 women.
- I'd like to see the C Women start with the B/C Vet Women and race with the older C age classes.

Enduro: Steward John Davis reported:

- Presented 2009 attendance number by event for 2009. (These do not include DNS or NS)

Rd 1 Sawmill	A=92 B=62 C=156	Total=310
Rd 2 Polecat	A=65 B=56 C=114	Total=235
Rd 3 Fools Gold	A=41 B=42 C=68	Total=151
Rd 4 Wild Horse	A=32 B=28 C=31	Total= 91
Rd 5 JackHammer	A=52 B=66 C=80	Total=198
Rd 6 49er	A=50 B=52 C=64	Total=166
Rd 7 Cowbell	A=45 B=53 C=88	Total=186
Rd 8 WFO	A= 46 B=45 C=58	Total=149
- Presented statistics of participation:

Total Riders	660	1 race (or more)+ work	68
Competed 1 race	317	Only Worked	30
Competed 2 races	105		
Competed 3 races	49		
Competed 4 races	32		
Competed 5 races	29		
Competed 6 races	20		
Competed 7 races	33		
Competed 8 races	26	51% participation	108

Youth Enduro: Steward Jeff Santos reported:

- No events since the last meeting.

Dirt Track: Randy Kremlacek reported on behalf of Steward Carter Fisher:

- Discussion regarding the standings and advancement points being posted on the District 36 website. The Steward does not want them posted.

Banquet: Chairperson Tanya Elkins reported:

- Attendance was up by 6 people from 2008.

Newsletter: Dave Pickett reported on behalf of Editor Jill Patterson:

- The January 1st Newsletter – Issue #27 is out. Kraig Traum and Dave Pickett have extra copies. Please note pages 2-3 and help get as many of our members signed up for the MSR Rider Contingency program as possible.
- The April 1st Newsletter (Issue #28) has a submission deadline of March 5, 2010. (See page 18 of the January Newsletter)

Director of Competition: Director Jeff Irwin reported:

- The AMA Rulebooks will be available at the end of February.

Membership: Dave Pickett reported on behalf of Jill Patterson:

- Processed 2 new Life Members: Kelly Winkelbauer - #462G and Tyson Johnson – 209T.
- 441 January renewal forms were mailed out.
- 426 membership cards were processed between December 17 and January 19.

Legislative Activist: Ken Heuser reported:

- Nothing to report

LAO: Dave Pickett reported:

- Smog Bill (AB123BS) could affect OHV motorcycles. LAO is watching this bill as it moves through the Assembly.
- Lead issue: The issue regarding lead in mini bikes is moving with new information that Congress reps are trying to clarify language.
- Discussion on Eldorado National Forest concerning legal Intervener status with partners BRC/Cal 4WD/CERA. Additional information to be brought back to the Board of Directors for consideration about the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS).
- Closing of Carnegie SVRA: This issue is getting a lot of positive press. The case is moving forward. The latest close date is now January 26, 2010. The water quality control board has submitted a report which the court has accepted. More information to come....
- Traffic fine increases: BEWARE – the fine for illegally parking in a disabled space has increased to \$976 for the first offense.
- Kraig Traum has raffle tickets for the 2010 LAO motorcycle that will be raffled off at the 2009 Awards Banquet. If anyone has contacts with dealerships in the area that may be having an event where we can display the bike and sell raffle tickets, contact Kraig Traum at d36moose@att.net.

Cross Country Scoring: Liz Fitch reported:

- One event since the last meeting: PCGP on January 16-17, 2010. We sold 131 transponders, reprogrammed 79, sold 66 helmet stickers and had 10 refunds.

Clubs and Riders / Questions and Answer:

- None

Good of the Body

Robert Kendall thanked the District 36 Board for the chaplain recognition.

Robert Kendall requested the use of a D36 EZup for various events held throughout the year beginning in March. Topic referred to the Board meeting.

Randy Kremlacek announced an event on February 27 at the Solano County Fairgrounds McCormack Hall in Vallejo 10:00 – 4:00 PM. Bench Race 2010 at San Francisco Motorcycle Club which sponsors Dirt Track youth racers. Please RSVP.

Meeting adjourned at 9:26 PM

***Board Meeting
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Meeting called to order at 9:45 PM. by President Dave Pickett

Roll Call: 7 of 9 members in Attendance. Missing members: Bill Zakareckis and Ralph Lee.

Correspondence:

Dave Pickett received a note from Jill Patterson with a reminder that Committeemen must sign the release before cards can be distributed.

Guests:

Kyra, AMA Congresswoman

Committee Reports:

Treasurer: The quarterly accounting report was distributed to BOD for review.

Banquet: Tanya Elkins reported the following:

Final numbers are unavailable at this time. Tanya thanked all of people that helped organize and make the Banquet happen.

Kraig Traum moved to reserve the San Joaquin County Fairgrounds for the 2010 Awards Banquet to be held January 8, 2011. Vote: 7-0 in favor. Motion passed.

Website: Jeff Irwin reported the following:

Webmaster Jim Matheson wants to transition out of the position.

Cross Country Scoring: Liz Fitch reported the following:

Distributed profit and loss statement to Board members for review.

The battery for one of the scoring laptops no longer holds a charge. Request for purchase of a replacement battery from LaptopBatteryDepot.com. **Jeff Irwin moved to replace the damaged battery. Vote: 6-0 in favor. Motion passed.**

Bill McGibbon moved to accept the Scoring Agreement Addendum No. 1 as written. Vote: 6-0 in favor, Al Fitch abstains. Motion passed.

Old Business:

Pam Santin resigned from the Secretary position.

Jeff Irwin moved to appoint Liz Fitch to the position of Secretary. Vote: 5-0 in favor, Al Fitch abstains. Motion passed.

Discussion regarding business conducted via email. Motions made by email must be responded to timely. Please respond with a yes, no, abstain or request for discussion. The initiator should move the process along.

Review of committeemen list. Jeff Irwin proposed an idea to establish the following process for motions via email:

BOD makes a motion, 72 hour window for discussion, initiator modifies his motion and/or calls for the vote, and BOD has 48 hours to respond with his vote.

Ed Santin moved to allow the Secretary to distribute meeting minutes via email rather than US Mail. Vote: 7-0 in favor. Motion passed.

Ed Santin moved to compensate new Secretary at the 2nd tier rate. Vote: 7-0 in favor. Motion passed.

New Business:

Kyra: Presented a proposal regarding a Clear Creek Comments Project. The purpose of the project is to train people to effectively write comments for lawsuits against OHV. The training class is scheduled for February 6, 2010. The workshop is open to all motorcyclists.

Kyra requested a letter of recommendation from District 36 BOD regarding establishing the D36 Recreational Riding Committee to be submitted to AMA. The BOD requested that Kyra write the letter and submit to Dave Pickett. Dave will present to the BOD prior to signing.

Discussion regarding the lawsuit between BRC and El Dorado National Forest. Dave Pickett added District 36 to the lawsuit as an Intervener on the side of the Forest. Jeff Irwin asked many questions about why we would want to side with the Forest as they continue to close riding trails. Dave Pickett will bring back additional information to the next meeting.

Al Fitch moved to remove Rob Baker as a committeeman and add Devin Osanna and Elizabeth Johnson to the Youth Cross Country Committee. Vote: 7-0 in favor. Motion passed.

Kraig Traum moved to purchase a new EZup to be used for the LAO raffle ticket sales to come from the LAO fund. Vote: 6-0 in favor, Dave Pickett abstained. Motion passed.

Kraig Traum advised that Duane and Sharon Scott want to write full page articles to be printed in Cycle News for all of the Cross Country adult events and be compensated per event by District 36. **Kraig Traum moved to compensate Duane and Sharon Scott in exchange for their written articles for both youth and adult cross country events in the spring series. The articles must be printed in Cycle News and must meet all deadlines in order to be paid. Vote: 7-0 in favor. Motion passed.**

Meeting adjourned at 11:59 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Liz Fitch

Secretary