



DISTRICT 36 MOTORCYCLE SPORTS COMMITTEE, INC.

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Annual Sanction Meeting Minutes

September 10, 2022

American Legion Hall
2020 Plymouth Rd.
Stockton, CA 95204
9AM-1PM

- **Meeting Called to Order @ 9:34am** by President Katie Pond
- **Roll Call** (Monique Whitworth)
 - 23 of 27 Clubs/Promoters present
PRESENT: CERA, CCP, E-STREET MX, GHOSTRIDERS MC, HAYWARD MC, LODI MC, MMX, NORCAL MC, NORTH BAY MC, OAKLAND MC, PDMC, RUTS, RICHMOND RAMBLERS MC, SALINAS RAMBLERS MC, STOCKTON MC, TIMEKEEPERS MC, WSRA, WDBRA, GOT, RDR, DIRT DIGGERS, RIDGE RUNNERS, VALLEY CLIMBERS
 - 32 of 67 Committeemen present
- **Reminder:** All 2023 D36 Charter Applications, fees and security deposits must be paid prior to elections for 2023 Board of Directors and receiving meet dates.
- **President's Message... 5 minutes** (Katie Pond)
 - Katie Pond welcomed everyone and introduced herself for those who may not have known who she is.
 - As President, Katie's current goal is to maintain we are at with District 36. She would like to grow but after Covid, we are just trying to bounce back and currently D36 is stable.
 - District 36 is always looking for more volunteers too get involved.
- **Open Nominations for 2023 Board of Directors** (Katie Pond)
 - There are currently 4 open Board of Directors positions available. Jerry Fouts has termed out. Brad Rosbach, Al Fitch and Rachel Douglas are eligible to renominated.
 - Previously nominated are:
 - Jim Whitworth
 - Jeff Katazry
 - Katie Pond
 - Nominated during the meeting are the following:
 - Al Fitch (by Ed Santin)
 - Brad Rosbach, accepted (by Jeremy Carlin)
 - Billy Goodno, accepted (Jeremy Carlin)
 - Devin Osanna, accepted (by John Davis)
 - John Davis, accepted (by Ed Santin)
 - Jeff Irwin, declined (by Charlie Coiner)
 - Rachel Douglas, declined (by Katie Pond)



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- Introduction of candidates
 - The candidates in attendance were given ample time to introduced themselves and express their desire to get more involved within District 36.
- **AMA Congress / Q & A... 5 minutes** (Ed Santin on behalf of Jerry Fouts)
 - Nominations would be opened during the next meeting for those interested to get more involved with AMA Congress.
- **Distribute Ballots** (Monique Whitworth)
 - Each club/promoter in attendance received 2 ballots to vote with the exception of Stockton MC and Ridge Runners who only had one representative present.
- **LAO 2023 and beyond plan 15 minutes** (Don Amador)
 - Don Amador was unable to attend so Katie Pond read his report on his behalf.
 - See attached report.
- **Finalize 2023 Event Schedule/ Announcements... 30 minutes** (Katie Pond)
 - There was a tentative schedule posted, Katie advised all active members to review for accuracy.
 - Jeremy Carlin made motion to award the dates of March 11-12, 2023 to the Polka Dots HS for Bear Mountain HS based on Rule 1.5.4, Sections 1, 3 and 4.
 - There was back and forth discussion regarding Bear Mountain HS and Burrows Ranch HS. Both events have land approval, both events would run rain or shine.
 - Kolby Butcher (Richmond Ramblers) states that we have two awesome events with two great locations, why not add both for our ridership. Katie Pond suggests that maybe rules need to be revisited and perhaps a rule change is in order. Adding both events would put us in direct violation of rules. There was a survey about 4 years ago and one of the biggest response is that our membership did not like back to back weekends and 12-13 events per CC year. The District pulled back by 1 as a compromise to the ridership and clubs/promoters.
 - WDBRA would like to eventually get on the calendar to eventually host a CC event. Selena Young-Padilla (WDBRA) asks how new clubs would go about getting on the schedule if its already filled with events. Jeff Irwin (CCP) suggests getting on the calendar as a non-championship race. Those races, riders could earn advancement points, however, it would be a non-points paying event.
 - Looking at the tentative schedule, there was confusion because November was showing 3 back-to-back weekends, which directly violates a rule of District 36. Katie stated that someone must have moved/changed the calendar because there was originally no triple weekends.
 - Bill McGibbon states that in the Operations Manual, within the Introduction, the BOD can change rules in the best interest of D36.
 - While the above active motion was still on the table, Ed Santin (Dirt Diggers) asked to confirm if Lilliputian was moved one week prior, Katie confirmed that it was.



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- Jeff Irwin (CCP) states that the decision lies with the Sanctioning Steward, as far which club is allowed a 2nd date. Katie Pond states she has no problem making the decision, however, there is still currently an active motion on the table that needs to be addressed first.
- After review of the rulebook, it is concluded that motions during a special meeting cannot be made. Jeremy Carlin's motion is considered invalid, which in turn, the decision to added either Burrows Ranch HS or Bear Mountain HS then becomes the decision of Katie Pond (Sanctioning Steward). Katie compares the two events, attendance, attendance during monthly D36 meetings and club participation with D36.
 - Based on the stats, the Polka Dots are awarded the dates of March 11-12, 2023 for Bear Mountain HS.
- Kolby Butcher then asked if Richmond Ramblers can run on April 1-2, 2023 as a non-points paying event. There is an Enduro scheduled that weekend, however there is no rule that says an Enduro and CC events can't run the same weekend.
 - Burrows Ranch has been placed on the schedule as a non-points paying event, on April 1-2, 2023.
- Ed Santin (Dirt Diggers) again wants to confirm if Lilliputian is being moved from its historical date. Katie confirmed that it will be held October 28th and 29th, 2023. Ed Santin states if Lilliputian stays scheduled on the last weekend of October then the Dirt Diggers would not be having a race. During this time, Ed Santin abruptly left the meeting, disgruntled, while speaking profanities. Ryan Gouldthread (Dirt Diggers) confirmed that the Lilliputian will still run on October 28th and 29th.
- The Enduro Clubs would like more support from the District. Katie states that we are here for the ridership and the numbers show that Cross County typically has the most riders at each event. In an effort to help the Enduros, Redding Dirt Riders graciously move from April 22th-23th to April 29th-30th, 2023. Which in turn, Richmond Ramblers move Burrows Ranch (non-points paying) to April 8th-9th, 2023. All clubs involved are thanked for being team players.
- **BREAK... 15 minutes**
- **Cross Country Announcements... 30 minutes** (Jeremy Carlin/Jimmy Whitworth)
 - Jeremy took a moment to thank our CC Sweepers, Scoring Crew and Committeemen for their hard work they contribute during the season.
 - It is requested that we receive more club involvement.
 - Club and Promoters need to turn in any previous membership books so that they may receive the updated books for the 2023 season.
 - Jeremy Carlin is requesting to change our racing year to January 1st thru December 31st. Bill McGibbon states in order to even consider this, then the fiscal year would need to be changed first. Which means it would require consulting a tax accountant. Tabled for now.
 - All clubs/promoters are requested to send their flyer to Jeremy Carlin FIRST to get approval. Corrections will be made if needed, then will be sent to Bill McGibbon to be posted to the website and social media platforms.
 - Having a great communication plan (radios) for events is helpful.



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- As a reminder, please make sure your events have the proper medical support (Advanced Life Support/ALS) on location. If there is an interest in volunteering as on-course medical, please reach out to Jimmy Whitworth.
- Elizabeth Lampman reminded everyone of the RUTS sponsorship that is currently available to our youth riders.
- **DOC Announcements... 10 minutes** (Brad Rosbach on behalf of Sean Rhodes)
 - Thank you to all the clubs and promoters for their effort in each and every event.
 - As a reminder, make sure racers are printing legibly on all forms. Make sure clubs and promoters have the current membership books.
 - Please have clubs send a minimal amount of checks to District 36 after an event.
- **2023 Annual Meeting** (Katie Pond)
 - Jeremy Carlin suggests we combine the regular monthly meeting with the annual sanction meeting for 2023. It would be on September 9th, 2023.
 - No active members opposed with the exception of CERA who abstained; motion passed. Roll Call will need to be taken during each meeting.
- **2023 Board of Directors Election Results... 5 minutes** (Monique Whitworth)
 - Note:** 2023 BOD need to attend October and November meetings and will take office in December.
 - The following were named as part of our new 2023-2024 Board of Directors:
 - Jim Whitworth
 - Jeff Katazary
 - John Davis
 - Bill Goodno
- **Discipline Breakout Sessions... 30 minutes**
 - *Dirt Track with Carter Fisher*
 - Carter Fisher was not in attendance, Dirt Track will meet at a later date.
 - *Enduro/Family Enduro with Bruce Hendrickson*
 - There will be a few new enduros on the schedule for 2023.
 - Enduro flyers will need to be sent to Bruce for approval before being posted.
 - *GP with Leon Hannum*
 - The GP series is looking for more venues to host GP's for the 2023 season. If you know of a motocross track who would like to host a GP event, please see Leon.
 - GP flyers will need to be sent to Leon for approval before being posted.
- **Final Q & A... 15 minutes** (Katie Pond)
 - No further questions were received.
- **Meeting Adjourned @ 12:47pm**



Amador District 36 LAO Activities Report Sanctioning Meeting – Sept. 10, 2022

Dear Board and Members,

I apologize in advance for not being there in person to deliver this update due to my wife and I trying to take a short vacation after of busy summer of sheparding our competition bill through the legislature along working other issues. Listed below are some highlights of our work in 2022.

HISTORIC ACCOMPLISHMENT FOR THE D36 LAO PROGRAM – Our legislation, SB 894, passed out of the legislature on Wednesday with HUGE bipartisan support. The bill was approved by a vote of 71-2 in the Assembly and 40-0 in the Senate. Now it is off the Governor Newsom’s office where we await his support. The Governor has until September 30 to act on this bill.

HERE IS WHAT THE BILL WILL DO

SB 894 will create an OHV Competition Sticker registration program for models 2022 and newer to replace the terminated Red Sticker registration program by restoring the registration requirement for all OHVs when operated in competition events on public lands. SB 894 also requires competition OHVs to have a spark arrester as a wildfire prevention measure and a sound compliant muffler to address concerns about competition OHVs’ noise pollution when operated at sanctioned competition events held at OHV areas managed by local, state, and federal agencies.

SB 894 also ensures that law enforcement officers will be able to identify a competition vehicle and its owner via an easy to read “Competition Decal” and a DMV registration. This registration will allow law enforcement to track, trace, and cite riders who illegally use competition OHVs such as those that are trespassing or are stolen.

SB 894 and its proposed registration fee will reinstate monies historically slated for important conservation and law enforcement efforts that were lost with the termination of the Red Sticker program.

The D36 LAO Program wants to give big thanks to Senator Jones (a true legislative champion for our sport) and his staff, our industry partners such as the Motorcycle Industry Council, Motorcycle Dealers Association, KTM/Husky, Kawasaki, and Beta. Also thanks to the many off-road clubs, individual dealers, and conservation groups who supported this bill.

STATUS OF OHV TRUST FUND - the LAO Program remains concerned about the fiscal health of the OHV Trust Fund. The following concerns remain.

- *Over the last 10-15 years, the D36 LAO has communicated its concerns about the ongoing redirection of OHV TF monies from the OHMVR Program and that it has gone on for far too long*
- *Since 2011/12 when AB 95 went into effect over \$100 million in OHV related gas tax has been redirected to the General Fund and it continues today*
- *The OHMVR Program is running an annual deficit of \$15-25 million and the balance in the OHV TF is being drained by this deficit spending*

The LAO Program has meet with Parks several times over the summer regarding our budget and Trust Fund concerns and have made a commitment to give a full report – at the September OHV Commission Meeting next week - on the status of the OHV Trust Fund, the “Reserve” Fund, the annual budget, revenues coming in, OHV funds going to other departments and agencies for non-OHV activities, etc.

***LEGISLATIVE ACTION FOR NEXT YEAR** - To ensure the fiscal health of the OHV Program, the LAO Program will be reviewing the potential for legislation next year that will halt the unnecessary redirection of \$10 million in annual OHV gas tax from the OHV Trust Fund.

EDUCATION OF NEW LEGISLATORS in 2023 - There will be an historic number of new legislators coming to Sacramento after the fall election. This massive sea change is due to a large number of current legislators being termed out. The LAO Program has asked the OHV Division to partner with us in a joint effort to educate (both in-person and in the field) new legislators and their staff about the OHV program and its many positive and pro-active tenets including conservation, restoration, LE, and safety. Field trips for legislators/staff to local SVRAs such as Prairie City SVRA have proven highly effective in helping them understand and appreciate the value of our program.

REOPENING CLEAR CREEK - The LAO met with the BLM District Manager to get an update on the BLM’s effort to reopen CC via administrative action that was discussed in our May 2022 meeting. The BLM stated they have hired a new Field Manager and will be announcing that soon. The LAO will meet with the BLM leads once that position goes public later this month or in early October.

REVIEWING SITES IN NORTH STATE FOR NEW SVRA - Since January 2022, the LAO has facilitated a field trips between CA State Parks and real estate professionals in the following counties, Butte, Glenn, Tehama, Shasta, and Siskiyou on to review potential sites for a new SVRA – or a hybrid state/fed riding

area - that would host both permitted events and casual use. The initial property review has been submitted to the Parks Property Team for review.

ROGUE/ILLEGAL SxS USE AT OHV AREAS – The LAO attending a State Parks interagency SxS safety conference on August 23 at McClellan AFB to review – and seek solutions to - illegal and rogue activity by certain SxS groups and the growing number of accidents between dirt bikes and SxSs. This is one of the LAO's top priorities in 2022 and beyond.

UPDATE ON CLOSED/OPEN COURSE EVENTS AT SVRAs – The OHV Division has created interim guidelines for local and federal law enforcement to adopt an “educational approach” to the 2022+ model year registration mess created when our competition bill did not pass last year using a recent guideline issued by State Parks. So far this has been working...

THE LAO WOULD LIKE THE DISTRICT TO CONSIDER NEW “TRAIL BIKE” CLASS - Several trends are emerging within our industry and I believe that the group consider the current and evolving conditions that affect our riders and our organization. We are all aware that costs of attending races have significantly increased and the current economic trends have the families spending more as the cost of living and inflation have increased.

The global supply chain disruptions for the vehicle manufacturers are limiting production capabilities and costs are increasing at the manufacturing and shipping levels.

The motorcycle manufacturers are under increasing pressure to produce (globally) more emission compliant vehicles. Pressures also exist related to the North American importation and sales of non-emission compliant vehicles, specifically motorcycles. In California we have experienced the regulatory pressures that are impacting pure racing vehicles and we have also experienced increased costs of the vehicles and limited supply.

It is probable that some California registration solution will be found, however in the long term it is suggested that a plan to accommodate the evolving emission compliant vehicles within the sporting regulations be considered.

From a technical standpoint, the motorcycles that are currently available are substantially different performance levels where the power and weight differences exclude many vehicles from being considered by riders for participation in the District 36 events.

It is understood that racing is intended for racing vehicles, however as the industry evolves, it is suggested that recognizing the more affordable to purchase and to maintain (and emission compliant) vehicles [including electric motorcycles] could help the District grow and maintain participants by encouraging the entry level “Trail Bike” riders to participate and to be scored separately.

This suggestion has the additional benefit related to safety for the youth and for riders who have not developed the skill, strength or desire to ride a full competition motorcycle.

The Trail Bike classes are a viable consideration and it is my opinion that this aspect could encourage more NEW people to compete in events.

As an example, at Glen Helen Gary Jones promotes Scrambles events. He started this to have a motorcycle racing opportunity for old bikes and riders to race and have fun. They added a pit bike class for bikes up to 230cc. This increased the entries by double and has brought many new people out to ride.

It is my hope that your committee will consider adding a Trail Bike class or classes to our competition events as appropriate.

STREAMLINING THE SVRA EVENT PERMITTING PROCESS - The LAO continues its work with Parks to stress the important of streamlining the competition event process and to make the process consistent throughout the SVRA system. The LAO is optimistic that Parks will accomplish this important task.

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