



AMRA Competition Committee Meeting

June 28, 2008

Tucson, AZ

Meeting called to order: 9:01 am

In attendance

Club Reps

ATR – Don Hood, Dan Poole

Fast'r – Arden Caulkins, Darrell Eckboom

OCCM – Chuck Ballehr, Doug Eggleston

RSMC – Wes Dykstra, Jeff Vrieling

TRS – Eric Theis, Joe Pizzullo

CTR – Mike Milewski

AMRA Officers

Todd Davis

Geoff Brownell

Vance Kennedy

Don Shields

Kara Hutchinson

Ben Hutchinson

Guest

David Willett

Motion to approve minutes from April: Ben

Second: Mike

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Treasurer's Report

Very little activity. All deposits, good for us! Total account balance around \$6600

LUF – \$3602

General - \$3000

Still some club dues outstanding, RSMC owes + late fee

Incorporation – Clint Brown – TD will see that through, should be done before Monticello. We will have to release funds. About \$250.

Motion to release funds for AMRA Corporation: Don Hood

Second: Mike

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Clint will do the work for free. Talk to our sponsors about getting something for him. Sounds like he could use a knee brace.

Points and Scoring Update

They have been posted, any corrections, etc. Vance has taken care of and updated. Added the worker points this time throughout the year instead of just at the end.

Unofficial 2008 overall points, just something that Vance did just to have and see who is doing well. If it's something we want to implement, we have 2 years history as to how it would work out.

Move-ups: No one that had to or needs to move up. Few in the B class are close, including Micah Chlarson. C class – John Brink, Robert Cochran, Jack Lanley, Matt Mullins, Aaron Kurzawski, Brandon Leslie (all have 4).

If you are close it might behoove you (TD's word) to move at Monticello, you get more points in the B class and you would have to move up for the last two races anyways.

We will post the riders who are close.

Add the wording from the rule book to the front page. Mike will write up a narrative.

AMA Report

New AMA Magazine – what do you think of the new design? It's nice.

Congress – DH is leaning on not going this year, with airline pricing, etc. Frank's not sure if he's going. It's good to go for rule making, it's worth going, but if you don't go you don't miss out on a whole lot. The congress presents rules, etc. and the board finalizes the rules. There really isn't a hard-fast reason that we should be there this year. No big rulings on the doc.

Family memberships will most likely be voted on, approved by Congress, and then nothing will happen again.

Granite Mountain – quick update. It is closed due to Scottsdale dust reasons. Don explains what is going on with that.

The initiative to reform the state trust land department – left OHV out of it on how it gets reorganized. The lands they want to set aside for reserves, is a lot of places we ride. They want GM, MM's, Desert Wells. The environmentalists are saying we want this, and it seems their objective is just to kick us off. If it passes, the SL dept will change. The permit we get won't be available. State trust land doesn't want to deal with OHV. They have a mandate to provide a place for

people to recreate. In it's place, if we want to ride, we have to have a lease or easement for the trails. Riding is one thing, but if this passes, it will be hard to hold races.

The past it got shot down, a lot of it the home builders. They have now been bought off, and are stepping out of the picture. They are not putting any effort to oppose it anymore. If we want to keep access and to have a say, we all need to vote NO. This comes out on the September or November ballot. Advertise on TV, what do we do? Bumper stickers? Email campaigns? DH will get us more info.

It would affect:

Sportsman

Equestrian

Hungers

OHV

Bike shops, etc.

BLM

Forest Service

Motocross Tracks

We need to get everyone on board. Take a proactive approach.

The clubs need to be more involved, since AMRA is made up of clubs. But AMRA should be putting into it as well.

Old Business

AMRA Trailer

We voted to sell it, some clubs have said they want to keep it, we already danced that dance and are selling it. We need to schedule a time to help Mike with pouring the slab and building the

\$500 for concrete for 13x14 slab, Mike will be in charge of labor.

\$750 10x12 shed, they already have one so it would match. Metal from HD.

Dean Adams wants it off his property.

Why aren't we renting a space? Cost. Access hours.

We could take the current trailer, rent an RV spot and park the trailer there, use it as our storage. Instead of selling it.

Motion to table selling the trailer until we get further info about where it's gonna go: Chuck

Second: Jeff

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Stuart was supposed to put together a sponsorship and series promotion committee. It hasn't been done. It would be good to have at least one person from each club representing. Go back to your clubs and get someone to volunteer.

1 year, 5 year, 10 year plan. It needs to be organized. What do we need from our sponsors? Money, product? Stuart, as the AMRA rep, needs to be proactive and be the head this up.

Motion to each club to send one representative from their club to be a part of the strategic planning committee: Chuck

Second: TD

Discussion about logistics. More looking for a committee to give input, and Stuart would compile the input and run with it. Use those members as a sounding board.

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Todd will call Stu and discuss with him.

We need to get things done between meetings instead of letting the ball drop. We need more accountability in the process. We talk about this stuff every meeting and nothing really gets done.

Add a Pres report and VP report as to what they've done since the last meeting. They should be presented before the minutes are approved at the beginning of each meeting.

We need to put a due date on this stuff. Preliminary meeting by July 15th, final sponsorship statement by August 1st, send to sponsors by August 15th.

Motion to have initial survey results gathered by Stu by July 15th and presented to the AMRA board, make any changes implemented, and has a final report for AMRA by August 1st: DH

Second: Dave

Discussion: none

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We currently have 500 members, race rider average is about 150. In order to be taken seriously by sponsors we need 750-1000 members, 250 riders.

Whiplash is stepping up their game, we need to do the same.

Finisher Rule – it's in the rule book, you must take the checkered flag to be considered a finisher in a Hare Scrambles, and do 51% of the laps done by the winner.

How do you facilitate knowing if someone took the checkered flag? It goes down to your back up sheets. We don't need to get a major discussion, we can visit the issue again in December when we do the Rule Book Changes.

5 minute break

New Business

Officer Elections

We don't have an election process in the rule book.

Elections ensue.

While results are being tallied, discuss 2009 schedule.

Jan – OCMC

Feb 21-22 – RSMC

March – Fast'r (penciled in)

April – ATR

May

June

July

Aug

September

October – TRS

Nov – OCMC

Dec – Fast'r

Back to officer elections....

President: Don Shields

VP: Geoff Brownell

Secretary: Kara Hutchinson

Head Referee: David Willett

Treasurer: Vance Kennedy

All Appointed Positions:

Big Bike Steward – (Andy Stanley) Appointed in Dec, take office Jan 1st – Dec 31st

Mini Bike Steward – Appointed in Dec, take office Jan 1st – Dec 31st

Sponsorship Coordinator – Appointed in Dec, take office Jan 1st – Dec 31st

Media Relations

Website Administrators

Change the rule book so that the AMRA Officer Board (instead of the executive board) get comp'd entries.

Motion to change the wording to officers and appointed positions receive comp'd entries: Geoff

Second: David

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TD will send Kara the wording for the new rules.

The competition committee recommends Andy Stanley for the Big Bike Steward.

The competition committee recommends TD for Mini Bike Steward.

The competition committee recommends Kara for Media Relations and Website Administrator.

Open Discussion

Staggering executive positions instead of complete regime changes every year?

We had voted on it in the past, we staggered Points and Scoring Admin and other appointed positions to January.

Jeff pleads his case, pros and cons and legalities. Something to think about at the December meeting.

Inventory on the trailer – we're short on Moose ribbon and arrows. OCMC may need more to do around the scoring system. We need to order more. Put together a number of what you need and let Stuart know, and he will order more.

Mike goes over the inventory status. We need to waterproof the trailer, Mike will take care of that.

It says Pink Dangers in the rulebook, change in December if we want.

AMA did a conference for training on race courses, etc. Is that something we would be interested in? Art or Jerry may have gone last year. It's mainly about course marking and how to put a race on.

Risk Management class that we are supposed to take every year is online now.

Geoff did his homework about descriptions of position duties for VP and Big Bike Steward. They are guidelines, not necessarily to be placed in the rule book.

Kara will type them up and sticky it as its own topic.

Discussion about CTR. Not sure why they are a member when they don't do much for the organization besides turning in their \$100, since they don't put or help out with events.

We need to amend the rule book to limit who can join, i.e. if Sierra Club wanted to join, according to our rulebook they could, even though their idea of "betterment of off-road activity" is different than the rest of us.

Meeting to have next meeting in Flagstaff, August 23rd

Time and location and ride TBA: Ben

Second: Geoff

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Don says a big thanks to all the current officers. TD gives his farewell speech.

Motion to adjourn meeting: TD

Second: All

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Meeting adjourned 11:27 am