



NMTA Newsletter



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A Word From President Johnson

NMTA's new 2010 Board met with the outgoing 2009 Board on Thursday, Feb. 4th at NTS. Many thanks to Steve Orton for making the NTS conference room available. Many more thanks to the 2009 Board for their hard work. You are appreciated.

I proposed to the new Board a set of four goals to serve as guides for our work this year. They are, in priority order: Keep It Safe, Keep It Fun, Keep It Going, and Keep It Growing. When we ponder issues this year, I want these goals to help us make the best decisions we can.

Among the items we discussed are re-issuing the rule book and manual, re-establishing our legal identity as a not-for-profit sporting association, and joining the New Mexico Off-Highway Vehicle Alliance.

I will try to present the Board with a revised rulebook for their correction or approval by the next meeting. We will carefully consider if any rule changes should take effect immediately or wait for the next full season.

The manual is basically our version of by-laws, and must be submitted with

our application to become a 501(c)(3) organization. I apologize in advance to Bobby Nafus, our new Permit Coordinator, for all the work I have laid in his lap. He'll be working closely with Kyle Goon, our new Treasurer, and Chris Porter, our new Secretary, to get our legal and financial house in order. Bobby, you are my hero.

The Board decided, after my presentation, to join the New Mexico Off-Highway Vehicle Alliance. I removed myself from the vote because of my conflict of interest as Past President of NMOHVA. Membership will cost the club \$100 per year, and will entitle NMTA to certain resources NMOHVA can make available when it comes time to protect our access to riding areas in the Santa Fe and Carson National Forests by participating in the NEPA process. Individual NMTA members can also join, and I urge everybody to do so at www.nmohva.org.

The Board also voted to support Eric Tidmore's generous offer to run the Junior class programs for the year. The club will track Junior class points for the season championship and provide event scorecards and medals, and Eric will provide season awards. I intend to help him out, seeing as my kids benefit from his hard work. Thanks very much, Eric!

The Board considered Tony Herald's proposal to offer bicycle trials competition at our two-day events. We are postponing a decision until we can

find out if our insurance and land access permits are affected in any way by having non-motorcyclists competing in what amounts to a separate event. I hope we can make bicycle trials part of our club's activities. It's great cross-training, and NMTA members can always bring their bikes to our events. We just need to make sure it doesn't affect the club negatively before we allow bicycles to ride our sections or have official events.

That's all I have for now. Space permitting, I intend to have a column about the Board's business in each monthly newsletter. There is a lot to accomplish this year, and I want to keep the club membership fully informed.

Make sure you thank Bobby Nafus when you see him. He is the hero of the 2010 NMTA Board.

Chris Johnson

Event Results Round 1 San Ysidro, NM January 31, 2010

Rain. Snow. Mud. Fun. Round 1 of the NMTA season started with a snowstorm blanketing northern New Mexico the Wednesday before the event, making for VERY fun conditions come Sunday. Three days of sunshine melted the snow and made sections and section trails (not to mention the parking lot) more conducive to a mud-bog race than a trials event. 60 tough competitors and myself tackled the conditions and were treated to the mud

bog fun afterward when competitors and spectators left the parking lot in the slimy conditions. The only reported stuck vehicle was TrevDog in the TrialDog Motorsports rig. Bummer.

Thankfully the trialsmasters set the sections in upper pool and amateur canyon away from all the snow/mud fun. A big thanks goes out to the Elsons who moved almost their entire lower trial onto the rocks on the day before the event. Thanks Tim and Jim!

Another big thanks, as always, goes out to the scorers who volunteer their time to help out. Thanks everyone!

61 Participants

Junior B

1	Lane Norcross	3
2	Kace Ice - Johnson	28
	DNS Hannah Butler	

Junior A

1	Ashtyn Hertrich	23
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Beginner

1	Kristi Hopper	18
2	Dillon Dugan	28

Novice

1	Scott Markham	7
2	Grayson Hertrich	10
3	April Evans	13
4	Mike McClannahan	14
5	Taylor Markham	16
6	Micah Hertrich	20
7	Travis Dugan	41

Amateur

1	Jason Burkhart	5
2	Gary Cordes	8
3	Dwight Crapson	9
4	William Brown	11
5	Gavin Hertrich	13
6	Chad Kelly	17
7	Dale Riggs	21
8	Chris Markham	24
9	Terry Norcross	29
	1-?	29
10	Konrad Clark	29
11	Bruce Kerr	44
12	Josh Wiseman	49
13	Garratt Rowland	83

Intermediate

N/C	Lance Butler	0
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1	David Luck	23
2	John H. Brown	25
3	Chris Johnson	28
TM	Jim Elsen	Lower

Sportsman

1	Kyle Goon	8
2	Bobby Nafus	25
3	Stephen Orton	31
4	Steve Clark	32
5	Tim Dugan	37
6	Chris Porter	43
	DNF Bob Mickett	

Semi-Expert

1	Ron Shoemaker	18
2	Al Terreault	19
3	Paul Royce	20
4	James Fastle	29
5	Curtis Kohl	33
6	Greg Arrants	42
7	Greg Goon	49
8	Tim Brown	54
9	Paul Hassler	67
TM	Rachel Hassler	Float

Expert

N/C	Chuck Sutton	2
1	David Cole	11
2	Rob Hertrich	20
3	Rob O'Neil	28
4	Bruce Bolander	56
5	JB Brown60	
6	Bob Rowland	61
TM	Devin Cannady	Upper

Champ

1	Nathan Hassler	18
2	Eric Tidmore	21
3	Chris Hertrich	64
4	Sam Fastle	77
5	Tyler Nafus	91

Back By Unpopular Demand Tony Herald's Interviews

Chris Porter Interview

Approached at the last banquet, I was told to start the interviews again and that I should start with Chris. I was confused was it Chris J or Chris C. As our new secretary, I felt that we need to know the man who will be writing a most fabulous summary of our trials and tribulations.

Chris has been riding with our club for four years now and now a veteran of our club. Chris is an Iron Man and a solid gold NMTA member. Chris is what you would call a true motor head with a long history in the motorcycle retail business, and owner of 16 bikes. I think Chris has done it all from being involved in road racing, flat-tracking, dual-sporting, and long distance endurance riding throughout the south west. Currently employed at NTS as a Technician, Chris is now enjoying weekend freedom and a lot of time over his 4 stroke Montesa.

When did you start riding motorcycles and then the transition into trial? How long have you been riding on 2 wheels?

I started riding in 1977 at age 11 on a Suzuki TC125 (yes, I still have it). Curtis Kohl dragged me out on a trials bike 5 years ago "just to hone the off-road skills a bit" and got me hooked.

What is your favorite riding area and what type of trial do you like best?

San Ysidro. I loves me hard-rock trials!!

We all have a trial where we rode really well, what was your best ride, where was it, your shining moment of glory?

Second day Roswell 2009. 3-point trial, 22 cleans in a row, first place.

What has been your worse crash or injury form 2 wheels?

Getting run over on my old Suzuki GS1100 by some woman fresh off the plane from Iran (and did not know anything about driving in America) in 1988. Busted ribs and collarbone, dislocated shoulder.

What on earth inspired you to volunteer to be our club secretary? Paul Hassler is a hard act to follow.

I got bribed by outgoing president Lance Butler. I'm still awaiting the payment, though.

Who is your favorite NMTA rider and why?

Rob O'Niell. He has Chuck Sutton smoothness, and his dog brews a very fine ale.

A recent poll in the Trials and Enduro News asked about the future of 4 stokes, what is your take on this?

Kind of a loaded question considering my current trialer, don't you think? Seriously though, if the other trials bike manufacturers can catch up technology-wise to Honda, I think you will see a lot more 4-strokes out there. It is just a matter of time. Look how Motocross has changed in the past what, 7 years or so?

Here are a couple of fun questions:

Which single store would you choose to max out your credit card?

Tough one. Melloy Dodge. Or Hooters.

Tell us about your pets?

None currently.

Favorite drink: Piper Ale.

Favorite restaurant: Steamboat Smokehouse, Steamboat Springs, CO.

Favorite rider: Joey Dunlop. Toni Bou for Trials.

Best TV Channel:

Cannot be printed here.

Any nicknames: Brewtus.

Other hobby besides trials:

Guns, Hotrods & Motorcycles!

Thanks for the interview Chris! See ya on the Loop - ARH

Classified Ads

2008 Sherco 125 \$4500

Bike was ridden by a girl. Bike/Rider National Champ in Western Youth Nationals in B1 class. Bike is well trained. Excellent condition, runs great. Paul Hassler 505-265-5000 or 299-1199

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2007 Beta Rev3 250 \$4297

Excellent condition. ISO good rider.

Paul Hassler 505-265-5000 or 299-1199

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For Sale- 1975 TY80 B.

This magnificent mini-example of the Mick Andrews/Yamaha partnership is offered up for sale. Professionally maintained, expertly ridden, never abused. Local, regional, and national event winner. Period and modern upgrades performed by the finest trials tuners in the industry. No better example of a competition-ready vintage TY exists in North America. Priced according to historic value. Closed bidding rules apply, serious and discreet offers only please. Contact The League of Extraordinary Gentlemen at (505) 36.....On second thought, forget it. We're gonna keep it!

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2008 Beta Rev3 270

Very few hours, extremely clean. Well cared for. Ridden by a littler old man in lower class just a few times. Mike A Salasar, 26 Lake Shore Dr NE,

Allbuquerque, NM 87112, e-mail: slzmrk @ hotmail.com, Phone 505-291-8143

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2009 Econo Gas Gas 280 \$4500 obo

8 Months old Devin Cannady

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2010 Schedule

Round	Date 2010	Event Type	Venue
0	01-23	Banquet	Courtyard by Marriott
1	01-31	NMTA Trial	NMTA San Ysidro, NM
2	03-07	NMTA Trial	NMTA San Ysidro, NM
3	04-11	NMTA Trial	NMTA San Ysidro, NM
	05-01&02	National	NATC National , Rnds 1 & 2 Tishomingo, OK
4 & 5	05-15&16	NMTA Trial	NMTA San Ysidro, NM
6 & 7	06-05,06	NMTA Trial	NMTA Sipapu, NM
	06-19,20	National	NATC National , Rnds 3 & 4 Exeter, RI
	06-27,28	National	NATC National , Rnds 5 & 6 Cayuta, NY
	07-03 to 05	Youth East	Youth Nat'ls East , Rnds 1, 2, 3 TTC, TN
	07-06 to 09	Teen Camp	Invitational Teen Camp TTC, Sequatchie, TN
	07-17,18,19	Youth West	Youth Nat'ls West , Rnds 1, 2, 3 LasVegas, NM
	07-24 & 25	National	NATC National , Rounds 7 & 8 Cotopaxi, CO
	07-31, 08-1	National	NATC National , Rounds 9 & 10 Donner, CA
8 & 9	08-07,08	NMTA Trial	NMTA Las Vegas, NM
10&11	09-04, 05	NMTA Trial	NMTA Las Vegas, NM
12&13	10-02,03	NMTA Trial	NMTA Lake Fork Canyon, NM
14&15	11-06, 07	NMTA Trial	NMTA Roswell, NM
16	12-05	NMTA Trial	NMTA San Ysidro, NM

Team

New Mexico

NMTA 2010 Event Number 2

Trialsmasters:
Lance Butler
Steve Orton
Tim Dugan

Sunday, March 7, 2010

San Ysidro, NM (see map)

First Riders Out at 9:00

(Yeah...we know it already happened!)



Sign-up: 8:00 ⌚ (yes, a.m.) **Bring your AMA card and Spark Arrester.**

First Rider Out: 9:00 ⌚ (yes, still a.m.)

Fees: One-Day Events Juniors Free, Under 18 \$15.00, All Others \$25.00

Requirements: Approved Helmets, Spark Arresters, AMA Membership (Bring card)

Map to San Ysidro



Directions to San Ysidro:

From Albuquerque take I-25 North to Bernalillo. Then take Hwy 550 west to San Ysidro. Stay on 550 approximately 2 miles past San Ysidro. Exit north just past the paved rest area. Bring your AMA card and Spark Arrester.

NEW MEXICO TRIALS ASSOCIATION		
LOCATION	TRIALS MASTER	
SPORTSMAN	DAY 1	PLACE
BOB WICKET	DNS	
BOBBY WAFIS	25	2 nd
STEPHEN DEW	31	3 rd
RYLE GOOD	6	1 st
IRA DUNN	37	
STEVE CLARK	32	
CHRIS FORTEK	43	
SEMI-EXPERT		
GREG AERANTS	42	
JAMES EASTLE	29	
CURTIS KOHL	33	
AL FERRELLI	19	2 nd
GREG GOOD	49	
PAUL ROYCE	20	3 rd
IRA SHOFERNEK	18	1 st
PAUL WISLER	67	
TIM BROWN	54	
EXPERT		
BRUCE BALANDEE	56	
DANIEL COLE	11	1 st
EDD HEITICH	20	2 nd
ST. BROWN	60	
BOB O'NEILL	28	3 rd
BOB EDWARDS	61	
CHUCK SUTTOR	2	NC
CHAMP		
CHRIS HEITICH	64	3 rd
ERIC TIDWELL	21	2 nd
TYLER MADUS	91	
GAM EASTLE	77	
ANTHONY WISLER	18	1 st

Lower San Ysidro 1-2010

NEW MEXICO TRIALS ASSOCIATION		
LOCATION	TRIALS MASTER	
JUNIORS	DAY 1	PLACE
HANNAH BAKER	DNS	8 hrs
ASHLYN HEITICH	23	1 st
KALE ZUP-SUNHAM	28	2 nd
KAME NORCROSS	3	1 st
INTERMEDIATE		
JAM H. BROWN	25	2 nd
CHRIS JOHNSON	23	2 nd
LAKE SHAFER	0	NC
DAVID LUCK	25	1 st
BEGINNERS		
DILLON DUNN	28	2 nd
KRISTI HOFFER	16	1 st
NOVICE		
TAYLOR HEITICH	16	
LOTT AKERMAN	7	1 st
AMATEUR		
WILLIAM BROWN	11	
KOBBY CLARK	29	
GARY COOPER	8	2 nd
DAVID CAMPBELL	9	3 rd
BRUCE KEAR	44	
DALE ROGERS	21	
TRAVIS BURKHART	5	1 st
CHRIS KEAR	17	
GREGG ELLIOTT	83	
TERRY HARRISON	24	
GAVIN HEITICH	19	
ST. WISEMAN	49	
CHRIS AKERMAN	24	

Upper San Ysidro 1-2010



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