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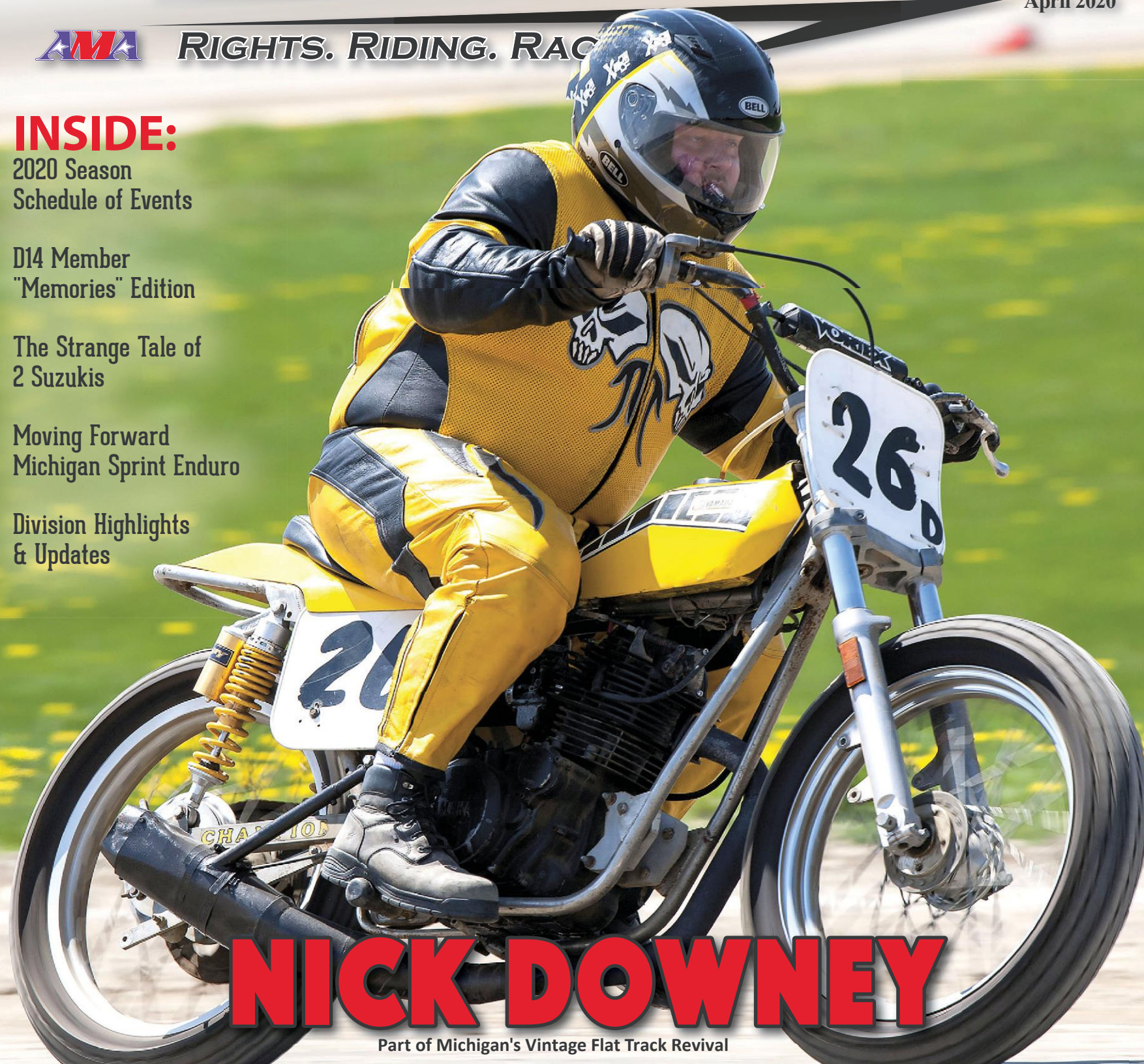
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NICK DOWNEY

Part of Michigan's Vintage Flat Track Revival

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D14 Vintage Flat Track Racing

Story by Robert H. Mackelarouch | Photos by Mike's Moto Foto

Several years ago the vintage flat track scene was flat lined, a handful of class alterations aimed at dividing a small group into smaller groups was nearly a deathblow and chased away many racers who suffered or benefited from the change.

When the looming threat of the removal or combination of all vintage classes came up the organizers, reps and current chairman had to make a bold call, making a 88 prior 401+ and a 90s to 401cc class (see AMA vintage rules for details). The move instantly improved the turnouts and increased competition tenfold.

Many new racers also began to show up and race along with other racers who had hung up their steel shoe, one of these racers was former class champion Brad Kniss who also began to race modern bikes as well.

Several younger racers began to participate in the class including Ethan Kitchen, Katie and Robby Knapp, Trevor Gatlin and Michele Bartz. Many of the older racers like Tom Sparks, welcomed the youth with open arms; something the class needs to continue its growth and propagation.

At the end of the day, the vintage class is currently one of D14's fastest growing and most exciting classes to watch! A race ready motorcycle can be obtained rather inexpensively too! For anyone looking to try flat track racing, the vintage class is no doubt a very fine place to start.



▲ #53 Gary Downey



▲ Skip Wertz is still going strong



▲ #6 Kevin Lambert Sr at PDMC is a relative new comer to racing in his 60's



▲ #52c Danny Crawford shows a couple of young men the fast way around the track



▲ #26d Nick Downey and his father Gary are big vintage class supporters

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Starting Lines

a few words from the editor

Wow, what a spring it has been. Here we thought we were getting all geared up for the start of our 2020 season, only to be slammed with the calamity of an "unseen scourge" that has held us hostage to the throws of "social distancing" for way too long! I truly hope that everyone is staying safe and taking super good care of themselves. This is a very stressful time for so many people. Please keep an eye on your neighbors... and let's just remember to be a little kinder to each other during this time. None of us has ever experienced this before, and we are all doing our best to weather the storm. XO

Right now, before the season starts (again), is a good time to make sure your memberships are up-to-date. There's a new form below if you're not tech savvy or still prefer mailing it in. STILL only \$15!! You can also purchase online at AMA-D14.org or at the races.

A BIG HUG and THANK YOU to the surplus of contributors this month! WOW! What a bonanza of submissions! I thank you for continuing to give of your time to write about your division.

'Til next time ... take care, stay warm, be well and safe. And as always, enjoy the ride... it all goes by in a blink.

Rox

To this Month's
AH-MAZING CONTRIBUTORS...

THANK YOU

– In order of appearance –

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Enduro ☐ Hare Scramble ☐ Flat Track ☐

Sprint Enduro ☐

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Thank You!

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by Thomas Dunn, District 14 President

A WORD FROM THE PREZ

2020 RACING SEASON AND COVID- 19

By the time this article reaches you, I truly pray that you and all your families are OK and healthy, and I truly hope that our season is under way!

In these days of Doom and Gloom, I'm constantly looking for the Silver Lining! The chance to go ride my motorcycle!

The District HAD planned on racing as usual (following the guidelines placed before us) until some of those rules changed in the State and Country. With the continuing "State of Emergency" and most likely the extension of "Stay at Home" order, District 14 will comply with the order, cancelling all events until such time the orders are lifted. Events hopefully will be rescheduled for latter in the season.

Remember you can still go online and renew your memberships and get your yearly youth competition waiver.

Some of our tracks have opened to members, following the new guidelines. Limiting those in attendance and riding by appointment. But rules and recommendations seem to change daily.

The Governor and Michigan DNR are offering mixed messages on Outdoors and Motorcycling. Please be advised that ALL trail maintenance and spring clean up has been stopped by the DNR even as to date the trails remain open. Ride at your own risk! Please stay tuned for updates at www.ama-d14.org and watch your emails for blasts from the district.

AMA'S STATEMENT REGARDING COVID-19

PICKERINGTON, Ohio — Due to the presence in the United States of COVID-19, an infectious strain of the coronavirus, and governors across the country issuing restrictions on large events and public gatherings, the American Motorcyclist Association strongly encourages AMA-

chartered organizers to comply with all restrictions imposed by federal, state and local authorities affecting all applicable AMA-sanctioned activity.

In addition, the AMA asks all members and other motorcyclists, whether participating in individual or group activity, to follow best practices published by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. CDC-issued guidelines are available here: cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/downloads/workplace-school-and-home-guidance.pdf

The AMA will continue to work with chartered organizers and other partners to monitor the situation and issue further guidance as necessary.

Another good read is AMA President Rob Dingman's Article: americanmotorcyclist.com/a-letter-from-ama-president-and-ceo-rob-dingman/

EVENTS AND ORGANIZERS NEWS

From Erek Kudla, Off Road Racing Manager, AMA would like to offer this advise on your upcoming events.

"With all of the AMA events canceling or rescheduling PLEASE remember to call or email the AMA and let them know! The office generally doesn't troll Facebook or Instagram, to see if you are cancelling (but have found out about most that way) your insurance and sanction will be credited accordingly."

So please make sure you keep everyone is kept abreast of any changes in the dates, program locations etc... to help keep everyone informed and insurances and permits proper.

Stay tuned to ama-d14.org. Sign up for membership and the email services, and follow AMA District 14 Facebook pages to stay on top of all the changes as the become available.

See ya at the races,
Hopefully soon!

Toby at TMC MX

TWIN BAY TRAIL RIDERS FALL CLUB RIDE 2019

Story and photos submitted by Blake Brooks and Justin Ray

Back in September 2019, I was a prospective member of a club known for great tracks over the last few seasons. I knew a couple of the guys that are members and have participated in a couple of their Family Enduro events. Picker Valley was always fun, but at the time I had no idea who it was that put the races on, I just knew they had done a great job and I had a blast! Fast forward to spring 2019, I had been off of a bike for around five years and was excited to get back into riding and eventually compete in a series full time. Problem was, my normal riding buddy (my Uncle Scott) was down and out for basically the season, after having reconstructive knee surgery. I had no one to ride with. I was going out on my own or posting to social media trying to find anyone that would let my slow butt ride with them.

Then one day I got a bite. Justin from Twin Bay Trail Riders (TBTR) messaged me on Facebook after one of my posts. We talked back and forth for a while before settling on riding part of the North Missaukee Trails. The day of that ride I met with Justin, his brother Brad and his dad, TBTR President Toby. We had a blast that day and decided we would try to ride together every weekend after that. Last summer with those guys was excellent! What happened that fall was every bit as exciting. As September came closer, those guys and another member Eric, kept talking about going to the Upper Peninsula for a two day fall ride. I was thinking to myself, what an awesome time that sounds like. I had never ridden in the U.P. before except for doing the Loose Moose once and the Mini Moose twice. Then on one of our weekend rides, Toby asks me, "Blake, how would you like to go with us on our fall ride?"

I looked at Toby, "But I'm not a member?" He says back to me, "You're fine, just come along and hang out."

So I agreed to go with them and made the plans. Remember that bum knee Uncle I mentioned before? Good news came around August when his Doctor cleared him to start riding again! I was thrilled. The last time him and I rode together my abilities as a rider, weren't quite there (who am I kidding? They weren't good then either), but now, here I was. Almost a full summer of going out and riding with others and learning on my own. Better yet, he was already a member of TBTR, so that meant he was going to the U.P. as well. The morning of September 14th came. My bike, bags, and gear were ready to go! My Uncle showed up at my house, we got my bike loaded and we were on our way to get another prospective member MJ, and make our way North!

We made our first stop in Mackinaw City to get out, stretch our legs and most importantly, eat breakfast! The plan was to meet the other guys at the trailhead of Sandtown ORV Trail around noon, so we left pretty early that morning. Across the



▲ Sandtown ORV Trailhead



▲ Eric at TMC

Bridge and westward bound we went. The skys were a little gray that morning, but the temperatures were right and from what I remembered seeing last, there wasn't supposed to be any rain.

Finally! After what felt like forever, we made it to the trailhead. As fast as we all could, we got ourselves ready and before I knew it, we were on the trails! The ride started out great and progressively got better the longer we kept riding. Here we were, a group of around twelve (can't do that now) riding the awesomeness that is the U.P. The trails were perfect and seemed barely ridden. Face slappers all over, but that didn't stop us. As many know, a lot of the good trails below the bridge get hammered! Not these ones. Sandtown was the perfect balance between technical and flowing. The ride ended with plenty of smiles and laughs.

After we left Sandtown, we made our way to Newberry MX (Tahquamenon Motorcycle Club). If you haven't ever ridden there, once this lockdown is over, find time to get there. The track was perfectly prepped. Only a cost of \$10 at the BP gas station down the road and you had access. Best part was, we were the only ones there! Myself, Justin, MJ, Eric, and Toby got on



▲ **Back row (L-R) Eric Roberts, MJ Nemec, Scott Brooks, Randy Young, Duane Pleva**
Front row (L-R) Blake Brooks, Justin Ray, Toby Ray



▲ **Back Row (L-R) MJ, Justin, Rick, Eric; Front Row (L-R) Toby, Blake**



▲ **Water hole at Sandtown**



▲ **MJ & Blake**

our bikes while the other guys had a beer and got their phones or cameras out. We spent roughly an hour or so there and then it was to the hotel.

We stayed at Zellar's Village Inn. Not a bad hotel. Very friendly staff and, if it didn't get better than that, there was also a nice little bar at the front of the parking lot. We ate, shared a few stories and drinks, then it was off to bed. We were headed to the North end of the Brevort-Trout Lake trail system.

The next day we were up and at it, meeting down in the lobby for the continental breakfast and off we were. We had also made the astute observation that morning that it was raining. Oh well, we didn't travel all this way, just to call it a day because of some rain. So, we get to the trail, unload and get ready to ride. Eric mentions to us that the trail will get rocky the further we ride in up until a certain point. He also mentions that it was at that point that we would be turning around and doing it all again. I think to myself, no big deal. Should be fun. Well if your definition of fun is riding the most technical stuff you've ever rode, on a bike too big for you (2012 350 XCF), with minimal skills compared to the others, aaaannnnndddd throw some rain in, well then you've got yourself one heck of a day! Honestly I had a blast! Yes, I struggled on the 350 in that technical stuff, but the experience I gained from it was invaluable!

The following TBTR meeting, MJ and I were nothing but thankful to those guys for inviting us along. They had welcomed us into their family of guys who love to ride, but were tight knit and loyal to the core. Once all of the formalities were over in the meeting and new business came up, those guys without a second thought, motioned to have MJ and I added to that family and that motion was followed by a unanimous second by the other members. To add the icing to the cake, not only had MJ and I become probationary members,

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RACING MEMORIES

NOTE FROM THE EDITOR: Scattered throughout the remaining pages of this April edition are memories that were sent in from our D14 racing family as we await the "reopening" of our great State and resume our racing season. Thank you Molly Kidner for putting the word out to the membership base that content was needed. It was a good call, especially since no racing typically means no stories! Thank you to everyone who submitted. If you don't see your submission here, please don't be disappointed – I randomly chose from the ABUNDANCE of submissions I received – so be sure to look for it in subsequent editions of the paper... and REMEMBER, you don't have to wait for a pandemic to submit! You can ALWAYS submit content for inclusion. ☺ If you'd like to submit a photo, a story, etc. to be placed in upcoming editions, please consider including the following: 1) the name of the submitter (sometimes its hard to decipher who you are from your email names!); 2) who took the photo (if you know) and/or wrote the story, so I can give proper credit; 3) a caption for your photos; and 4) the event date; location and promoter. Oh, and BTW, photos from the web are not always the best... if you can submit photos direct from the camera with no file reduction, that would be AWESOME! And, NO, these are not hard cut "rules" for submitting, they are just suggestions to help make the content more meaningful. Thanks again everyone, I hope we're all "gettin' dirty" by the time you receive this newspaper!



▲ My name is Bryce Martinez & I have been racing motocross for 20 years. I'm a weekend D-14 racer that started my own business at the age of 17. 8 years later I'm still growing my business from day one. I provided some photos of items I created that is motocross related. If you are interested we could do a story on my business & offer a discount code in the paper. Let me know what you think. ~ Submitted by Bryce Martinez



▲ Missing their D14 Family – Gavin Canfield, Isaac & Asher Wilson, Sean & James McDonald. ~ Submitted by Brandy Helbling

HARE SCRAMBLES 2019 TRACK OF THE YEAR

Submitted by Matt Bucher

On behalf of our club members and sponsors, we wanted to share once again that we are so grateful for being awarded Track of the Year for the 2019 Harescramble Races. This is a great honor that we are proud of. There are a lot of good clubs that put in a lot of hard work and hold great events. Most do not see how much time and effort that goes into race prep. Much appreciation and love to the racers for your votes! We will be back in 2021 with fresh ground to work with, and the fanatical enthusiasm that you come to expect from the Toledo Trail Riders.



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but my mentor, father figure and Uncle is my sponsor. I was asked by another member to help write an article about our trip to the U.P. last year, but I just couldn't write it without mentioning just how great my experience before that ride was with those guys. I implore anyone within the Grand Traverse area, if you're looking for a group of guys who are laid back, honest, loyal and above all riders, look these guys up. You will not be disappointed in who they are and how they operate. Please everyone, be safe, stay healthy and enjoy the ride!

~ Blake Brooks
Probationary Member
Twin Bay Trail Riders

The last time we took an overnight club trip was back in 2016 and having been three years, it seemed like we were due to spend some time on quality UP single-track. My dad and I carpooled with Rick this time around as we made the three hour drive to Sandtown ORV trail north of Engadine.

Having been on a few club trips in the past and also living in Houghton for a few years, I know it's always a great time to go ride in the UP. Having ridden Sandtown three years ago I knew we were in for some good motorcycle only trail. After we completed the 30 some mile loop with an occasional log in the way, we loaded up, picked a few burrs off ourselves and ate lunch in the truck as we made our way to Newberry.

We had heard rumors that the motocross track wasn't going to be open that weekend due to another event happening. I was hoping that wasn't going to be the case as it's a great track. We stopped in at the gas station to pay and sign the waiver, Eric went and checked to see while we waited. Luckily it was open to ride. I convinced Eric to take his big 300 Berg out on the track but was unable to get him to

do any doubles. He claimed he didn't want to stay overnight at a Luce county hospital. Most of us were ready after an hour or so at the track to head to the hotel and get some food. I was pretty beat after burning over 3 gallons of gas, riding 30 miles of singletrack and a few hard laps at the track.

The next day we headed back east on M-28 towards County Road 123 and then down towards Trout lake. Some of the guys had rode here years ago and mentioned they rode this section back as part of an enduro. I hadn't ridden this section of trail before. We followed Eric (who says Google maps asks him for directions haha) to the unofficial parking lot. I believe it had rained the night before because as we set out I was instantly soaked from the branches and face slappers in the way as I took off first. The rocks we found were a little slimy but were manageable as long as you stayed steady with the throttle and picked a good line to keep your momentum up.

Most of us had our fill of riding for the weekend and decided after an hour or so of riding to turn around and head home. It was a fun weekend to get away from the grind of racing through the summer and to ride with some of the guys.

-Justin Ray
#746 / TBT



▲ MJ on the ride home



▲ Trout Lake rocks



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Julian Michael Carpenter now known as Julian Michael Mansfield 20/20 at the 2019 D14 Banquet with a couple of his racing buddies. Julian is number 625 on both his KTM 2020 and is Yamaha PW50. He took sixth in the state in Trail and 9th in SS50 class. These guys had such a great time at the banquet and just wanted to thank D14 for giving my son the amazing opportunity to follow his dreams and simply amaze his mother everyday with his talent! We have went out to a couple different tracks and rode and are very eager for the season of 2020! Can't wait to kick this coronavirus to the side and get going with our weekend festivities of racing dirt bikes!

~ Submitted by Kelsey Mansfield



RIDER'S FLAT TRACK CORNER

Story by Kevin Lambert Jr

None of us expected that our 2020 season would be blindsided with this pestilence that has left many hospitalized and even worse, dead. No one could be fully ready for something like Covid-19 and as D14 members we need to take all precautions necessary to avoid spreading this virus and doing even more damage.

It is not necessary to have races host events or have mass gatherings, these are extremely unnecessary at this point in time and also a violation of our Governor's current executive order (yeah its a bit over the top in some areas).

Remember, the races will always be there, but you,, myself, and other D14 members may not if we choose not to take proper precautions and push the issue too soon.

When we do eventually get back up and going it is crucial that we support our local facilities and encourage others to do so as well!



Meme by Ben Schilling

▼ Below are some Kidner memories from the 1990's. Brian had raced moto in the 80s then a break. Hare Scrambles were something new! Yes, I've always had bikes in my house. What's wrong with me??? ~ Submitted by Molly Kidner



▲ Very first Hare Scramble. Love that helmet!!



▲ Ahhhh, we were young... and he DID have brown hair!



▲ 250C and Open C Classes – Big Air in Newaygo, MI summer 2019

~ Submitted by Bridget Slade | Photos taken by Alyssa Slade



2020 AMA D14 EVENTS

Be sure to check back next month for possible updates to this schedule as late changes and corrections do occur after the initial posting. Any changes will be noted in RED.

ATV MX

CHAIRPERSON Ryan Day
 ⚡ = MI State Championship Race

MAY

- 23 Dutch SP Bloomingdale
- 24 Dutch SP Bloomingdale
- 30 ⚡ Big Air Newago
- 31 ⚡ Big Air Newago

JULY

- 11 Dutch SP Bloomingdale
- 12 Dutch SP Bloomingdale
- 25 **Nat'l Red Bud MX** **Buchanan**
- 26 **Nat'l Red Bud MX** **Buchanan**

AUGUST

- 08 Dutch MX Bloomingdale
- 09 ⚡ Dutch SP Bloomingdale
- 29 Twisted MX Milan
- 30 ⚡ Twisted MX Milan

SEPTEMBER

- 05 Valley MX Stanton
- 06 Valley MX Stanton
- 07 ⚡ Valley MX Stanton
- 12 Red Bud MX Buchanan
- 13 Red Bud MX Buchanan

OCTOBER

- 03 Log Road Bronson
- 04 ⚡ Log Road Bronson
- 10 Dutch SP Bloomingdale
- 11 Dutch SP Bloomingdale
- 17 Twisted MX Milan
- 18 ⚡ Twisted MX Milan

ATV XC

CHAIRPERSON Jason Cottrell
VICE CHAIR Taylor Ellis

MAY

- 17 Valley Trail Riders Bentley

JUNE

- 07 Bent Wheels CC Rose City
- 21 Valley MX Stanton
- 28 Dutch Sport Park Bloomingdale

JULY

- 19 T-Time Acres Mount Pleasant

AUGUST

- 02 Dutch Sport Park Bloomingdale
- 30 T-Time Acres Mount Pleasant

SEPTEMBER

- 19 Griffin Hines Farm Swanton, OH

OCTOBER

- 10 Dutch Sport Park Bloomingdale

ENDURO

CHAIRPERSON Mike Maurer
 (No FES dates provided as of printing)

MAY

- 16 FES Kingsley, MI

JUNE

- 13 FES Matthews, IN
- 27 FES Lawton, MI

JULY

- 25 FES Bentley, MI
- 26 D14 Valley Trail Riders

AUGUST

- 09 D14 Hill & Gully
- 15 FES Moorestown, MI
- 16 D14 Lansing MC
- 30 FES Marquette, MI

SEPTEMBER

- 19 FES Greenville, OH

OCTOBER

- 04 D14 Muddobber
- 17 FES Fife Lake, MI
- 31 FES New Paris, IN

NOVEMBER

- 01 D14 Riders MC
- 08 D14 Treaty City

FLAT TRACK

CHAIRPERSON Teresa Bennett
VICE CHAIR Harmony Bailey

MAY

- 16 ST Polka Dots
- 17 ST (Rain) Polka Dots

JUNE

- 13 ST Lucky Thumb MC
- 14 TT Lucky Thumb MC

JULY

- 10 ST Lucky Thumb MC
- 11 TT Lucky Thumb MC
- 12 (Rain) Lucky Thumb MC
- 25 TT Muskegon MC
- 26 TT Muskegon MC

AUGUST

- 01 ST Lucky Thumb MC
- 02 TT Lucky Thumb MC
- 08 ST Polka Dots MC
- 09 ST (Rain) Polka Dots MC

SEPTEMBER

- 12 **STATE CHAMPIONSHIP**
ST Lucky Thumb MC
- 13 **STATE CHAMPIONSHIP**
TT Lucky Thumb MC
- 19 **STATE CHAMPIONSHIP (RAIN)**
ST Lucky Thumb MC
- 20 **STATE CHAMPIONSHIP (RAIN)**
TT Lucky Thumb MC

HARE SCRAMBLES

CHAIRPERSON Zach Keizers
VICE CHAIR Dan Stephens

MAY

- 17 White Trash Autumn Hills

JUNE

- 07 Bent Wheels CC Rose City
- 21 Valley Trail Riders Bentley

JULY

- 12 Fredneck Ranch ???
- 19 Muskegon MC Muskegon

AUGUST

- 02 Dutch Sport Park Bloomingdale
- 23 Polka Dots MC Midland

SEPTEMBER

- 13 Evergreen Creek ???
- 20 Battle Creek MC Battle Creek

HILL CLIMB

CHAIRPERSON John Radke
VICE CHAIR Eric Briggs

MAY

- 17 Goshen Ironhorseman Goshen, IN

JUNE

- 12 Muskegon MC Bridgeton
- 13 Muskegon MC Bridgeton
- 14 Muskegon MC Bridgeton

AUGUST

- 23 Goshen Ironhorseman Goshen, IN

MOTO CROSS

CHAIRPERSON Kreg Bigelow
 ⚡ = MI State Championship - Max Points
 🏍 = Loretta Lynn Qualifier

MAY

- 02 🏍 Log Road MX Bronson
- 03 🏍 Log Road MX Bronson
- 03 Bulldog Riders Millington
- 10 Portland Trail Riders Portland
- 16 🏍 Red Bud MX Buchanan
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31 Portland TR Portland

JUNE

06 Grattan Raceway Belding
07 Grattan Raceway Belding
07 Polka Dots MC Midland
13 Twisted MX Milan
14 ★ Twisted MX Milan
20 Battle Creek MC Battle Creek
21 ★ Battle Creek MC Battle Creek
27 Big Air MX Newago
28 ★ Big Air MX Newago

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AUGUST

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08 Dutch SP Bloomingdale
09 Big Air MX Newago
09 Dutch SP Bloomingdale
15 Log Road MX Bronson
16 ★ Log Road MX Bronson
23 Battle Creek MC Battle Creek
23 ★ Cadillac MC Cadillac
29 Grattan Raceway Belding
29 Twisted MX Milan
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30 Twisted MX Milan

SEPTEMBER

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12 Red Bud MX Buchanan
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20 ★ Portland TR Portland
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OCTOBER

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11 ★ Dutch SP Bloomingdale
17 Twisted MX Milan
18 Twisted MX Milan
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25 ★ Valley MX Stanton

VINTAGE MX

CHAIRPERSON Steve Baginski
★ = GP Series

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17 ★ Valley TR Bentley

JUNE

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28 Log Road MX Bronson

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ATTENTION IN THE PITS!

ALL Board Members, Division Chairs, Clubs & Promoters....

PLEASE REVIEW YOUR INFORMATION

on each of the following pages to ensure it is accurate!

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Thank You!

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THE STRANGE TALE OF 2 SUZUKIS

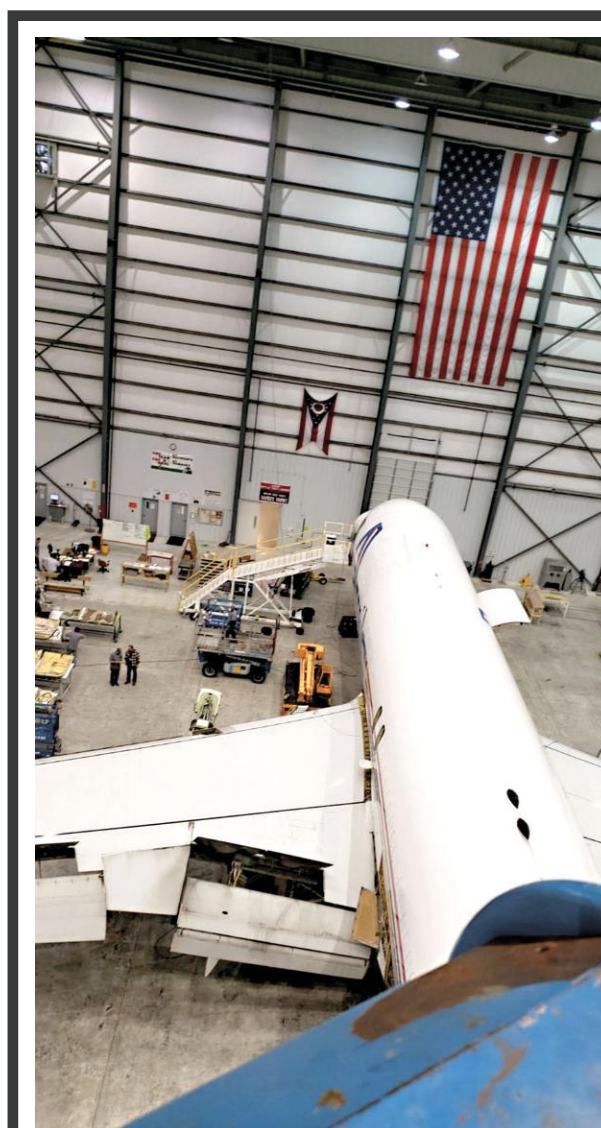
Story and photos by Jeff Doneth

This story involves 3 friends in the D14 vintage series, myself (Jeff Doneth) Ron Durepo and Kevin Stone. I met them both through the vintage series, but Ron and Kevin had been lifelong friends. Now sadly we lost Kevin at a race at Portland in 2016. Later in the season we had a ride day in his honor at Tom and Sandra Lee's home. Tom and his son Tommy were selling off Kevin's parts supply for the Stone family and I asked if there was still any 75 RM125M there. There was the remains of one and I purchased it. I had owned a new one in 1975. Ron had always wanted an RL250 Exacta trials bike and bought the remains of one. By the next spring we had both bikes cleaned up quite nicely. I raced the RM a few times and Ron played around in his yard on the RL, but neither of us were in love with them. That fall my son Al was going to ride a flat track race near Ron's house so we called to see if he wanted to go. When we stopped to pick him up he told me he was thinking of selling the RL as trials just didn't seem to be for him. I also had wanted an RL when they came out so I asked him to give me first refusal if he was going to sell it. Part way through the evening the topic came up again and Ron said "I'll trade you for the RM125M" I thought for a minute and since they were both worth about the same I said I would be willing. By the end of the night it was a done deal.

Now Ron was not supposed to be racing but a few times he told Robin it was just an Honor ride for Kevin and he came out and raced. It was great having him out but part way through 2018 Ron passed away in his sleep. It really hit me hard and going to the track was hard for me. But I had told his son Ryan that if they ever decided to sell the RM I would like first refusal on it. I bought it back in 2019 and raced it 3 times. I think Ron and Kevin had their fun with me as it would suffer a few strange DNFs.

So now here we are in 2020 when the season gets going the RM will be my primary vintage race bike. The RL is my up north play bike. It is easier for me to go to the track because I keep Ron riding with me by having his number on my tank.

As far as these bikes being sold again, that will be my son's problem as I plan to keep them the rest of my life



~ Submitted by
Chris Williams

A decision I had and needed to make when I was 18 was to go to school. In order to keep moving forward with racing I spent 2 years at my now loyal racing sponsor, MIAT College of Technology. And since then years later, off season, I work as a federal aircraft tech.

Here you see a Boeing 767 that under went heavy maintenance.

▼ **Plymouth Blackhawks Harescramble 2019 25-34C** ▶

~Submitted by Jordan Tracey #126

To date this is my favorite course I have ridden. It has the perfect mix of all aspects of riding, from tight and technical to open and fast. Unfortunately on this day I was cut short at 2 hours and 31 minutes, due to a broken kill switch. I would like to thank everyone for everything they do for these event. I can't wait to get back out, I'm looking forward to coming back to the Blackhawk.



~ Submitted by Ken Petrillo

I grew up racing in the great state of MI and raced in District 14 since the 70's. My father raced here, 2 of my brothers and since the 90's 2 of my sons.

I loved each and every track from Baja when Hank ran it than Fred Reynolds. Brighton so close to home and one of my dad's best friends Bob Darden helping him navigate his early days in motocross. Red Bud where I'd sleep in the back of my friends SUV in early April wondering if it ever get warm enough to feel my fingers and toes.

I've met so many great people at the races over the past 45 years. People always ask me why I still ride and risk getting hurt. While I sit on my couch during these very difficult and scary times I often don't have an answer. It's only when the gate drops and you feel the freedom and clarity that only a motocross rider would know does my answer become abundantly clear, at least to me.

I hope we can all enjoy our lives and my thoughts and prayers go to everyone everywhere. See you on the line.



▲ **Lukas Perry #72 (85 Class) – Red Bud MX July 3, 2019**

~ Submitted by James Perry

ENDURO / FES NEWS

by **MIKEMAURER**
2020 Enduro/FES Chairman

The start of the season for the Family Enduro series has been delayed by the COVID 19 virus. The April event in Roselawn and the May event in Kingsley have been postponed for later in the riding season. Here are the scheduled events and postponements (dates have also been added to the main schedule in the newspaper):

Roselawn, IN - postponed
Kingsley, MI - postponed
June 13th - Matthews, IN
June 27th - Lawton, MI
July 25th - Bentley, MI
August 15th - Moorestown, MI
August 29th - Marquette, MI
September 19th - Greenville, OH
October 10th - Fife Lake, MI
October 31st - New Paris, IN

The first event of the D14 endure series has also been delayed by the Rose-lawn postponement. The next scheduled D14 enduro event is planned for July 26th in Bentley. Our lives should be back to "normal" (whatever that may be) by late July.

Stay strong! Stay save! See you on the trail.

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AminoWise also contains a Recovery Blend. This blend contains wolfberry powder and antioxidant ingredients to support recovery after a hard work out. The polyphenols, zinc, and vitamin E work synergistically to protect the muscles from fatigue and damage induced by exercise. Specifically, they work to reduce the release of lactic acid!

Lastly, AminoWise provides a Hydration Mineral Blend. These mineral ions are in the exact ratio lost in sweat to keep you more hydrated, which in turn helps you recover faster. This blend replenishes important minerals lost during exercise, such as sodium citrate, potassium citrate, calcium citrate, and magnesium citrate.

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SUBMITTED BY JON MAY



◀ Ed Swindel and his wife who is one of the most bad ass campfire cooks I have ever met. Ed lives rides and loves Michigan he always makes it out to the adaptive events to show his love and support for adaptive motocross. He says every time I see him "I'm more of a woods guy" he steps out of his wheel house and races a motocross race and kills it out there every time! I think deep down inside he's really a closet motocrosser! The big saying with all the adaptive riders is "Adapt and over come" and everyone of the riders do that as they come off of the track after the race with the biggest smile you have ever seen regardless weather they were battling to be on the Podium or the last one off the track.



▲ This last picture was taken at extremity games a few years ago an adaptive race on Memorial day weekend. I don't know if Baja Acres is a D 14 track or not. The woman who took the picture drove up from Ohio to shoot pictures that weekend to support our beloved sport of motocross. Her name is Nanette Bailey if you use the pic if you could show her some love and give her the photo credit that would be awesome. Stay strong D-14 see you when this is all over for some riding/racing!



▲ This picture was taken Memorial Day weekend this was a raffle item that Was donated to raise money for the adaptive class purse. This rider got Doug Henry to sign his new bike stand. Coming from the east coast to support/chase rider I always run into awesome people from around the country that support and participate in motocross. Thanks for the memories and can't wait to make it out to a D14 event again !



► Chasin Mason #415
ready to hit the dirt and start the D14 season!
~ submitted by Erick Roberts



MOVING FORWARD WITH MICHIGAN SPRINT ENDUROS

Submitted by Logan Densmore

▲ Vonderwerth

I first off want to take the time to reach out to our racing family to let them know that you are all in our thoughts to have all of you safe. We hope that in this time of the Pandemic that you are staying safe and staying sane. We hope that you have had any assistance needed for you and your families to get through this tough time. And we hope that through all of this you were able to have a Happy Easter.

I want to take the time to let you know where we are standing as far as a 2020 Michigan Sprint Enduro Season is concerned. As many of you know the ISDE of Italy this year has been postponed until 2021. We will not be hosting a 2020 ISDE Qualifier, but have hopes that talking with the AMA we will return to that schedule in 2021. That will not cancel the 2020 2-Day race at Battle Creek Motorcycle Club, but rather postpone until October 17th and 18th. Rounds 1 & 2 that were previously scheduled for May 2-3 have now been moved to be Rounds 7 & 8 on October 17th and 18th. All other rounds at this time are planned to be ran on the scheduled dates. Starting with Ogemaw Track and Trail in Rose City, that will now host Round 1 of the 2020 Season. We have been working cautiously and safely, while practicing social distancing to lay out Ogemaw as well as Log Road to be the first couple of rounds of the year.

Ogemaw Track and Trail is new to the Michigan Sprint Enduro Schedule for 2020 on May 31st. MSE as well as Ogemaw Track and Trail owners are very excited to host a Sprint Enduro on such a unique property to Michigan. Technical Hills, deep sand, and rocks are plentiful at the Ogemaw property. With over 125 acres, Ogemaw has phenomenal



▲ BCMC Flyer Photo

property to host a Sprint Enduro on. Having two motocross tracks to utilize, miles of single track and other trails will provide an awesome terrain for the opening round. Ogemaw Track and Trail is a full time campground, as well as a riding facility. There will be camp sites available with full hookup for the nights before the race. They ask that anyone planning to camp with an rv/ travel trailer that you please make a reservation for you campsite by phone (989)685-2999. It will be first come first serve. Due to parking restrictions, all campers must make a reservation. Tent camping will be available as well. Ogemaw Track and Trail will be available for open riding on the motocross track on Saturday May 30th as well. So come early and get a little riding in the day before the race.

Log Road in Bronson, MI will play as Round 2 of the 2020 Michigan Sprint Enduro Season. This event will take place on June 14th. Last year we had a huge turnout for their first Sprint Enduro. We took as much feedback as we could from all sorts of riders from that event. Almost all of our answers were, "that place was so awesome, the track was so much fun. It was just a little short for me." We have listened to that and have already taken action to get the riders more! As the course is roughly laid out now, we have added slightly more than an extra mile. We are utilizing a couple areas of the property we did not go last year. We have taken steps to ensure the back woods section will not be lost this year also. This venue will have a true mix of everything. We will have motocross, grass track, flowy trails, and tight single track. Now with the adult program starting earlier this year, we will have the ability to run 5 tests on each vs the 4 tests on each if need be as well. Look for Log Road to be an excellent and rider favorite again this year. It will be one you will not want to miss for sure.

Moving forward the rest of the season. We will be looking at Dutch Sport Park on June 28th for Round 3, Muskegon Motorcycle Club on August 9th for Round 4, Drumlin Hills MX on August 30th for Round 5, Valley Trail Riders on September 27th for Round 6, and Battle Creek Motorcycle Club on October 17th and 18th (2-Day) to finish off the season.

We will return to racing, and we will have a great season of races in 2020. For now we stay safe, stay sane, and pray for everyone affected by this pandemic. I can't wait to see my racing family again.



▲ Frankini



▲ Paul Kelley



▲ ISDE Top 3 Qualifiers at Battle Creek Motorcycle Club

RUBBER TIRE REVOLUTION:

The Big Four

Story and photos submitted by William H. Muckenthaller

With the increasing popularity of non-studded ice racing it is no surprise that there have been a handful of big players that have contributed to the game. Building turn key machines for sale, making tires, loaning out bikes for new guys or even starting a team, these four factions are considered the heavy hitters of rubber tire racing.

The O'Boyle clan (yes Nick & Colten are in this group)

A legend was once told that every O'Boyle ever born fell out of the womb and onto a motorcycle with enough natural talent to win the A class. Beating any of the O'Boyles on a motorcycle is an impressive feat and a benchmark for many young racers. Natural and honed talent meets head on with well running and well prepared motorcycles. While some balked at Honda's, 500's and knight frames the O'Boyle family worked hard to sharpen their skills racing hand built machines with proven track records of victory and national titles! It is rumored that the O'Boyles were actually the first group to try Shinko 255 series tires. The O'Boyles also make killer tires!

Robert (Bob) Knapp

BK44 / Knapp Racing

Knapp has admitted openly to bashing the rubber class long ago. Years later Knapp gave the class a rough try, winning his first ride out at the White Lake inn. Kevin Lambert jr. began making tires and Knapp decided to give them a try. liking the change, Knapp and Lambert began to work together testing out various tires with a few failures and success. Knapp decided to take control of his own program by constructing the most well thought out tire unit around utilizing the motor and functions of a Bridgeport mill to do his tires. The result is a safer tractionizer, a very well done tire and a lot less wear and tear on your back. Knapp also constructs turn key machines and helps others to do so, Lambert and JJ Sams were both assisted by Knapp for their first builds. As a racer, Knapp has won several events, taken 2nd overall in two different series and always a threat for a win at any race.



▲ Three Generations of the Legendary O'Boyle family

Joe and Marty Barnes

Barnes Built / Barnes Racing Garage

Marty Barnes has been around rubber racing and motorcycles for ages. The retired municipality employee also got his son Joe involved as well, making the sport a family affair. Anchor Bay was a proving ground for the Barnes Built bikes and when the rubber tire bike dark age hit the Barnes' seemed to be the only group that survived the the

BIG FOUR continued on page 22



▲ Bob Knapp and Robby Knapp



▲ Joe Barnes talks sponsorship opportunities with Henry Wiles

THE MEMBERSHIP MINUTE

Molly Kidner, D14 Membership Coordinator

New revised 2020 D14 Membership forms were distributed at the D14 Annual Meeting in December. Clubs/Promoters: Contact Taylor Carpenter at d14secretary@gmail.com if more forms are needed.

D14 Membership is required for all riders participating in D14 events receiving points. ALL MICHIGAN RIDERS MUST HAVE A CURRENT MEMBERSHIP – no exceptions. Out-of-state riders attending a one-time D14 event may be exempt and will not receive points.

Memberships can be purchased/renewed online with immediate confirmation at www.ama-d14.org, on paper forms at any D14 event, or by mailing the membership form cut from the D14 Paper.

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TIDBITS

from Taylor

by Taylor Carpenter, D14 Secretary

Hello all! Only a few things this time.

Until further notice I will only be available by email or mail (USPS, UPS, Fedx, etc.)

I am only missing two charters for all of the race schedules, I’m happy with that improved progress from this time last year! Thank you clubs and charters for getting those in.

Annual report was submitted in mid February. I worked with the information I had after several requests.

Any update for schedules please contact your clubs and chairs before the board!!!

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bad times and continued the traditions while bringing in a few new people and tricks along the way. The Barnes Built group can provide turn key bikes and tires as well as advice and pointers for racers of all ages and skill levels. Barnes Built biggest accomplishment is their successful win streak at indoor ice races.

Kevin Lambert Jr

Goon Glass & Rubber / GG&R Faktory race team

The most polarizing individual in this group is Lambert. After a season of studded racing Lambert analyzed his fiscal losses and decided that he would give rubber tire racing a go. Acquiring a machine and receiving help and encouragement from former national champ Mike Williams, Lambert was able to get on the track; shortly there after he began making tires and other essential items for racing. A small feud began with the Barnes Built team and this most likely helped to spurn both groups along improving the sport in one way or the other, Lambert's racing and building skills continued to improve due to collaboration with friend Bob Knapp and other racers; Lambert's willingness to try new things and experiment has helped to put many newer racers out front and on the box.

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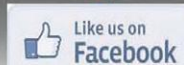


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