January 2022 Michigan's Motorsports RIGHTS. RIDING. RACING NEWS 2022 Ice Race Schedule Miscellaneous Moto Musings Behind the Scenes -The Track Crews PAID ROYAL OAK, MI The Tech Behind the Brand New TMs for 2022 Division News & Updates Big Brothers Big Sisters Indoor Ice Race | FLINT MOTORCYCLE CLUB (Dort Federal Event Center) | December 4, 2021

## VICK MYERS

### wins Flint Motorcycle Club **Indoor Ice Race**

Big Brothers Big Sisters Indoor Ice Race | FLINT MOTORCYCLE CLUB (Dort Federal Event Center) | December 4, 2021

By Kevin Lambert Jr. | Photos courtesy Erin Fay, Madcap Imaging



▲ Myers and O'Boyle celebrate their Victories as a Team



▲ The Kiss that was year's in the making

Nick Myers finally hit pay dirt this year after a nearly half decade run of seconds. Myers had no intent to race this year's event due to work and family obligations, but decided at the last minute to take another shot at what historically would be another second place.

Nick ran into adversity out the gate as he would not be able to run what many feel is the best of equipment to include a motorcycle and a good set of tires. However, Doug O'Boyle, Nick's uncle stepped up to the plate with the #54 Honda; this was not Nick's usual indoor sled but Byran Bigelow had aft stand out Cole Zabala in the saddle for this event and for Nick, a bike is a bike and a race is race. His hat was now in the ring.

Billy Ross was Myers big hurdle that evening; Ross had gone undefeated in heat action making it appear that the 2nd place curse would continue. When the gang all lined up for the main event Myers did what he does best, get out front and Billy Ross was in hot pursuit. The veteran indoor racer took Ross to school making it difficult to pass and things got very aggressive with money and bragging rights on the line. Ross and Myers went lap after lap with Ross attempting to pass high and low, rubbing here and there, but Myers took Doug's advice, ride as fast as ya can to be smooth and hold the bottom and unfortunately for Ross, a late race mistake put him on the ice and handed Myers his first ever win for the event!

The curse of the 2nd place has ended for Nick Myers. The joy on his and Doug O'Boyle's face was obvious, they did their talking on the track, with their own equipment on their own terms and it paid off, not once... but twice that night with a win for Doug in the Rubber Tire class!

Young men and women should take note of how this family does business on and off the track. For years, many have watched Nick almost win and keep coming back, never quitting, and even when what some feel was an inferior hand in the game, he still played and this time he hit jack pot!

Congratulations to Nick and Doug!

\*For several years I had hopes of penning this article for Nick and his family. It was a bummer year after year and seeing 2nd after 2nd... and your friend leaving the event with his head down but knowing he would be back again. Nick, again, congrats to ya bud! This will be one of those stories we tell at the PDMC campfire for years to come!



▲ 54 Myers and 109 Ross pulled away but a late race for Ross nearly sealed victory for Myers

### **JANUARY** 2022



#### **FEBRUARY 2022**

#### **MATERIAL DEADLINES:**

Materials need to be submitted by the following date. Sorry, but late submissions are subject to prevailing space and time restrictions and may, if necessary, be left out of the deadlined publication until the following edition.

#### Advertising & Editorial: **Due JANUARY 20**

#### **SPACE**

Space is reserved in every issue for every division in the District. Please, promote your sport by contributing stories and photos about your events, past and/or upcoming. This is FREE advertising for your division. Take advantage

When submitting a story or photo please ensure to include event dates and locations, and photos MUST include captions. Event results are always nice to include as well.

For detailed information on submission policies for editorial content and advertising, please go to www.D14News.net.

#### **DELIVERY**

The delivery goal of District 14 News is normally around the middle of the month. However, due to varying factors of submissions, printing, and mailing, there is no quarantee the newspaper will reach readers by a specific date in the month. It is recommended and good practice to think at least 1 or 2 months ahead when promoting special events or other time sensitive dates. For example, if your special event is in August, you should consider promoting that event no later than the July edition.

For more info: linda@D14News.net | 586.855.7413

#### PLEASE RECYCLE.

This publication is printed on recycled paper using soy-based inks.



Happy New Year D14 family! Hope your holidays were super special, surrounded by loved ones near and far.

Now it's time for banquets and getting ready for the dirt come spring. Look for the updated 2022 schedule in the February edition along with division rules, classes, etc. The 2022 Board member list is now updated so you can contact the current division leader should you have questions about the upcoming racing season.

Thank you to this month's contributors. As always, you guys and gals ROCK!!

Right now is a PERFECT 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. You can also purchase online at AMA-D14.org or at the races.

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

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

- In order of appearance -Erin Fay / Madcap Imaging, Kevin Lambert Jr, Molly Kidner, Thomas Dunn, Mike Maurer, Steven Beane, and last, but certainly not least Steve Baginski



#### **MAIL TO – MOLLY KIDNER**

13785 Spring Creek Dr SW Fife Lake MI 49633

AMA RIGHTS. RIDING. RACING JANUARY 2022		Bring your copy of this completed form with you to EVERY race until you receive your card!		
\$15 - REGULAR MEMBERSHIP		□ \$15 – CANADIAN MEMBERSHIP		
\$30 - Two (2)-Year MEMBERSHIP		Required if you have Canadian Residence. Must be AMA Member; includes Competition Card. All memberships are non-refundable.  No newspaper subscription.		
\$45 - Three (3)-Year MEMBERSHIP		Please check ALL riding disciplines that apply:		
Must be AMA Member; includes Competition Card and Newspaper Subscription. All memberships are non-refundable.  Please check ALL riding disciplines that apply: RoadATVMX lceHill  Enduro Hare Scramble Flat Track		RoadATVMX lceHill Enduro Hare Scramble Flat Track Sprint Enduro	_	
You must be an AMA Member to join District 14.  PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY and fill out COMPLETELY to receive your paper and membership card.  Name:				
First Address:	Middle Last _Apt.#City:			
State: or Canadian	Province:	Zip: Country:		
If you have a Canadian address, you must choose "Canadian Membership" above!  Phone: (home/ cell) E-mail:				
YOUR APPLICATION WILL NOT BE PROCESSED WITHOUT THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION				
AMA NUMBER:(all 6 digits or temporary number from application) EXPIRATION DATE:				
DISTRICT 14 NUMBER:(all numbers or write NEW/RENEW) DOB:  I understand that this membership is for the right to participate in a District 14 points paying event and I am required to follow the By-laws, policies and procedures of District 14 Club Council as well as the applicable policies of the participating promoter.				
Signature:		Date:		
Attention D14 Members: Your copy of this application may be used to sign-up in AMA/District 14 Events for 60 Days. If you have not received your District 14 Membership card in 30 days, contact District 14 Membership Administration with information as to where you purchased your membership.				
DISTRICT 14 MEMBERSHIP ADMINISTRATION INFO  to find the current contact info, visit us on the web at www.ama-d14.org  For Club/Promoter use only - must have club and event date name for credit - ALL sold applications must be turned into Membership Administration within 14 days of				

Ensure continued delivery of the

## District **14 News**

direct to your home mailbox &

## **SAVE TIME** AT SIGN UP!

Complete this form & send in your membership dues today!

## Important!

Keep a Copy Before Mailing mail to:

#### **MOLLY KIDNER**

13785 Spring Creek Dr SW Fife Lake MI 49633

Don't have your card in 30 days? Call 231-670-5450 to find out where it is.

## 2022 District 14 Board of Directors & Division Chairs

#### **PRESIDENT**

Thomas Dunn tdunn976@yahoo.com (517) 896-9757

#### **VICE PRESIDENT**

Steve Beane motoxgiant@yahoo.com (313) 918-8944

## SECRETARY / MEMBERSHIP ADMINISTATOR

Molly Kidner d14secretary@gmail.com (231) 670-5450

#### **TREASURER**

Mark Robinson (248) 514-6299 amad14treasurer@yahoo.com

#### **D14 WEBMASTER**

Dan Stephens d14webmaster@gmail.com

#### **D14 NEWSPAPER**

Linda Roxbury linda@d14news.net

#### LEGISLATIVE DIRECTOR

Rev. Ron Packer d14legislative@gmail.com (269) 548-7348

#### **AMA COMMISSION - OFF ROAD**

John Zwerican (989) 871-3008

#### **AMA COMMISSION - ROAD**

Kaye Johnson amakaye165@gmail.com (810) 610-5665

#### AMA COMMISSION - FLAT TRACK

**TBD** 

#### **RIDER REPS - OFF ROAD**

Adam Alexander ama411@gmail.com (989) 268-1088

Brian Kidner bkidner@fliersinc.com (231) 670-7418

Joe Barnes josephbarnes8248@gmail.com 586-804-4265

#### **ATV MX CHAIRPERSON**

Ryan Day dayryan93@yahoo.com (248) 251-3529

#### **ENDURO CHAIR**

Mike Maurer mikemaurer250@gmail.com (517) 763-9406

#### VICE CHAIR

Jeramy Pelaston jspleaston@gmail.com (937) 459-8005

#### **RIDER REPS**

#### B/A/AA CLASS

Vic Flegel pencilcraft@pencilcraft.com (989) 506-1487

Fred Kraemer fredjkraemer@gmail.com

#### C, 60+ & WOMEN'S CLASSES

Tina Flegel / (989) 875-8186 tina@d14enduro.org

#### SPRINT ENDURO CHAIR

Logan Densmore Idens2792@gmail.com (517) 581-2488

#### SPRINT ENDURO VICE-CHAIR

Shawn Elkins shawn.elkins515@gmail.com 517-240-7030

#### FLAT TRACK/TT CHAIRPERSON

Harmony Bailey d14flattrack@gmail.com (248) 431-8112

#### VICE CHAIR

Teresa Bennett (Gigi) d14flattrack@gmail.com (248) 431-8116

#### RIDER REP

James Elkins je3712@hotmail.com (269) 243-0183

#### HARE SCRAMBLE CHAIR

Zach Keizer d14\_hs\_chair@yahoo.com (616) 916-6713

#### **VICE CHAIR**

Dan Stephens dstep2007@gmail.com (616) 648-3740

#### RIDER REPS

- Doug Zdybek
  dzdybek@yahoo.com
  (419) 367-3868
- Matt Harriis matt@epicpowersports.com 231-944-9032
- Gibby (Allyn) Johnso allynjohnson44@gmail.com 269-953-4298
- Brian Kidner briankidner@aol.com 231-670-7418

#### ATV HARE (XC) SCRAMBLES CHAIR

Christopher Robinson cmrobins2@yahoo.com (989) 615-2007

#### VICE CHAIR

Jason Tripplehorn 3horncyclewerkz@gmail.com 269-455-4028

#### RIDER REP

- Roy Thomas purplehrt1@yahoo.com 989-615-4502
- Matt Hempel jpelfrey63@gmail.com 269-808-0164
- Jay Tompkins jrtompkins14@gmail.com 989-423-3940
- Sara Meyer smeyer450@yahoo.com 734-972-4543

#### **VINTAGE MX**

Steve Baginski bagsmx194@gmail.com (586) 321-5680

#### HILL CLIMB CHAIRPERSON

John Radke radman4790@gmail.com (616) 308-9544

#### VICE CHAIR

David Prins midwestbuilders37@yahoo.com 616-889-9012

#### **TREASURER**

Paula Gesco paulavinnie@yahoo.com (231) 736-6195

#### **POINTS KEEPER**

Brix McFee brixmcfee@yahoo.com (616) 836-8105

#### ICE RACE CHAIRPERSON

Christopher Ice Chris@cdiconstructiongroup.com (989) 205-0487

#### **VICE CHAIR - BIKES**

Kevin Lambert kevinthegoonlambert@gmail.com 248-245-9919

Dew Millhisler bowtech22@gmail.com (989) 205-0443

#### **POINTS KEEPER**

Jessica Ice jessicaice4@gmail.com 989-205-0507

#### **MX CHAIRPERSON**

Kreg Bigelow kregbigelow@yahoo.com (810) 965-8764

#### **POINTS KEEPER**

Terri Sweet d14pointskeeper@gmail.com (517) 719-6264

#### RIDER REP

Adam Alexander 989-268-1088 ama411@gmail.com

James Elkins je3712@gmail.com (269) 243-0183





AMA RIGHTS. RIDING. RACING

## 2022 DIRECTORY CHARTER CLUBS & PROMOTERS

**PLEASE NOTE:** The phone number listed for your organization is the number that was supplied as the primary contact on your application

10 Pines Ranch989.858.1326		
Bent Wheels CC 586.854.1372		
Big Air MX 231.578.3828		
Buildog Riders MC 810.919.9821		
Cadillac MC 231.878.3486		
Dutch Sport Park 296.591.1166		
Goshen Ironhorsemen 574.825.3399		
Grattan MX616.788.9454		
Hill & Gully Riders 708.261.3433		
JBMX Motorsports419.212.0837		
Lansing Motorcycle Club 517.490.8714		
Lucky Thumb M/C 810.404.2895		
MI Off Road Events (M.O.R.E) 517.896.9757		
MI Sprint Enduro 517.581.2488		

Muddobbers MC	765.998.2236	
Ogamaw Sport & Trail	989.745.1422	
Polka Dots M/C	989.545.0048	
Portland Trail Riders	.517.376.1437	
Red Bud MX	296.695.6405	
Riders MC	574.780.4188	
Team CDI Racing	989.205.0487	
Timber Ridge Flyers	.517.256.5163	
Toledo Trail Riders	419.392.7117	
Twin Bay Trail Riders	231.645.0160	
Twisted MX	734.752.1134	
Valley MX	517.881.2830	
Valley Trail Riders 989.879.3365		

#### If your Charter is not listed or designated with an asterisk,

you need to submit a Charter Application and \$25 Charter Fee. If your application is currently pending, your listing will appear once your status has cleared. If you believe this information to be incorrect, please verify your status with the D14 Secretary,

TAYLOR CARPENTER at 517-802-9609

or via email D14Secretary@ama-d14.org. Thank You!

DIFECT ALL D14 MEMBERSHIP, ADDRESS CHANGES, Card replacements, missed newspapers and OTHER MEMBERSHIP RELATED ISSUES TO THE Membership administrator:

#### **MOLLY KIDNER**

D14Membership@gmail.com

13785 Spring Creek Rd Dr SW, Fife Lake MI 49633

231-670-5450



### A WORD FROM THE PREZ

#### 2022

Welcome to 2022. A New Year and a New Season! As with each previous beginnings, this one comes with promises of what might be. A new chance for all of us to reach for our potential! To achieve for new goals! A chance to do whatever we are brave enough to do!

#### The AMA District 14

The District is strong! Our membership continues to grow as more people are looking for activities to do outdoors during these trying times.

With the Annual Sanction meeting over vou will find that we have another fun filled race calendar offering motorcycle and ATV racing available most every weekend throughout the year, starting with our Ice Racing season! With any luck and help from Mother Nature, this season of Ice Racing will be spectacular! Schedules can be found on our website www ama-d14.org, in this paper (February edition) and on multiple social sites.

If back in 1999, when I returned to racing after 15 years, you had of suggested that I would be the head of the State of Michigan's leading Motorcycle Organization, I would have called you crazy. I thank the members of District 14 for having the confidence in me to continue to move our District forward.

We are an organization driven by members, both the individual riders and the clubs and promoters. Without either, we will find that there is no organization.

Our core membership will maintain close to the same if we provide the quality races, tracks, and places to ride that we always have, the bigger question is how to bring in new members.

We need to become salespeople, selling the district to those that would not normally become member. Going out-

side our comfort zones to promote our district and the multiple facets we provide beyond the day-to-day operations involved in racing off road vehicles. We are the leaders!

We are leaders! We are leaders in off road competition putting on the highest quality events, bar none! We are leaders in promoting the American Motorcycle Association and are the premier District in the country!

We as a district have become a powerful force and a leader in ORV legislation! We are a leader in environmental and conservation issues of this State's forests. Providing forest restoration, ORV damage restoration, clubs that do trail maintenance, forest, and highway clean

Our clubs/ promoters and riders provide huge economic value to communities and businesses.

We have something to sell!

I ask all the District Board, Divisional Chairs, and the general membership to help produce ideas on how to better promote and market ourselves!

#### **D14 NEWS!**

Our newspaper has been a mainstay of our District for as long as I remember. I originally found out about it in 1978 and for several years submitted racing pictures and then article in 1979. Eventually going to work for then Phil Beane and the Michigan Motorcyclist Magazine. Going around the State doing articles on all our racing.

As we strive to make our customers happy, all members that gave us their working email addresses in their membership forms, will be receiving a brief survey as to the direction of our paper. Please answer the question so that we can better serve you.

**VISIONS** continued on page 8

Who doesn't love race day? The anticipation of heading to the track, the relief of the work weeks past, and the excitement of the upcoming race!! You spend your week going to school and work, doing repairs to your equipment and gathering and packing for the weekend where you get to cut loose with your moto family and go head to head with the best of the best and hopefully bring home a little bling! The excitement, the release, and the thrill is enough for the racers to keep coming back week after week until another season has passed and they find themselves waiting for the snow to melt so they can do it all over again... They live for it. They die for it. It is in their blood!!! These fearless athletes craving the thrill... BUT, let's not forget the ones who make it happen. The hidden figures behind the scene, without whom there would be no event for you to flash your talents at!

Let's give a shout out to the track crew who spend their week making a place for your dreams to come true.

## THE (REW!!!

Composed primarily of volunteers, They are usually the first ones there and the last ones to leave, they spend their week mowing and rolling and packing to make the perfect place for the racers to arrive, fill the space and tear it up, so they can start all over. They keep the track, they pick up the trash, they file the permits and push the paper, they put in countless hours before and after the racers show up, they do the registration and they wave the flags... Without the track crew there would be no race!!

To voluntarily put yourself in a position of authority to help the next generation enjoy something you have so much love for is an amazing thing to be able to do. I know workers who have skipped their own va-

## BEHIND THE SCENES

The Track Crews – A shout out to the ones who make it happen!!

Story and photos by Erin Fay



▲ Twisted MX - Milan, MI



▲ Lucky Thumb Motorcycle Club - Deford, MI



▲ Big Bend Family Campground - Standish, MI



▲ Log Road - Buchanan, MI



▲ Polka Dots Motorcycle Club - Midland, MI



▲ Log Road - Buchanan, MI

cations, their birthdays, even medical concerns because that track and being there for those kids is the most important thing to them. It's their life, what they love, and what they want to pass on! Most of the workers are either family members of riders who are missing their children's race so they can run yours, or past riders who still crave the track, who just want to be involved with what they have loved their whole lives. When you retire as a racer what do you do when you're just not done yet? You pass on your knowledge!! You coach the littles!! You help with the track!!

Now that dirt season is over I would like to take a minute to recognize these people who go out of their way for you all season long and give them thanks, because I'm sure they're already hard at work for you planning out the next season. Shoot them a Thank You card, shake their hand, even just a nod... Thank them for their time that has been devoted to you all year... Let them know they're appreciated this season and that you're looking forward to the next go round. Let them know you see them, and how precious their sacrifice is to you!!

Shout Out to all the Track Crews!! Thanky ou for all you do!!

\*\*Anyone wanting to volunteer, please contact your local track for more info!!\*\*

## ENDURO / FES NEWS

Story by **MIKE MAURER** 

We are preparing for the 2022 enduro season. In December District 14 had the annual sanctioning meeting. After the D14 Board meeting, the enduro division met to discuss rules and the schedule (see below). The enduro leadership team did not change. I will continue as the chairman, Jeremy Pelaston will be the vice chair, Fred Kraemer, Vic and Tina Flegel will continue as the rider reps. We do have a new points keeper – THANK YOU to Amy Pelaston!

We did have one rule change that was proposed by a B 250 rider. His proposal was to remove the displacement classes (200, 250 and Open) in the A and B divisions and replace with a 29 and under class in each (four fewer classes). This format is similar to our C class and other local districts. These classes did not have a lot of riders and some of them were old enough to ride in the other age classes. Erik Kudla from the AMA was in attendance and he supported this change. With more participation the B classes it would support rider advancement quicker. All of the clubs and rider representatives supported this change.

The group also had good discussion about enduro formats – timekeeper and restart – as well as access to land. We shared some ideas and also discussed entry fees. No decisions were made. Entry fees are a decision to be made by the clubs.

#### **2022 ENDURO SCHEDULE**

April 23/24 - Roselawn, IN – FES/D14
June 11 - Matthews, IN – FES
July 30/31 - Bentley, MI – FES/D14
August 13/14 - Moorestown, MI – FES/D14
August 21 - Roselawn, IN – D14
September 10 - Greenville, OH – FES

September 17/18 Marquette, MI – FES/D14/NEPG
October 2 - Matthews, IN – D14/NEPG

October 8 - Fife Lake, MI – FES
November 5/6 - New Paris, IN – FES/D14
November 13 - Greenville, OH – D14

We are also making plans for the banquet on February 12th at the Soaring Eagle Casino in Mt. Pleasant (same location as last year). We are working on organizing sponsors for D14 and Family Enduro series. We already have commitments from Enduro Engineering and College Bike Shop. We have plaques (D14) and trophies (FES) for all award winners. We are planning jackets/hoodies for the top 3 of each class and top 12 in D14 – PLEASE VERIFY SPELLING OF YOUR NAME. If someone who did not qualify would like to order one and pay for it, please contact Fred Kraemer or myself.

The list of banquet award winners is listed below for both District 14 and Family Enduro Series. Congratulations to Marin Ryerson D14 Champion 2021! See you at the banquet!

#### **D14 ENDURO BANQUET AWARD WINNERS**

#### **Top 12**

Martin Ryerson - AA Trevor Williams - AA Ryan Moss - 40+A Jack Vonderworth - AA Matt Glass - 30+A - 250A Adam Harner Logan Densmore - AA Aaron Wegner - AA Blake Ryan - AA Jimmy Prueter - 200A **Eric Briggs** - AA Nicholas Lynn - 30+A

Overall A – Matt Glass
Overall B – Jacob Taylor
Overall C – Brett Krumanaker

#### A 200

Jimmy Prueter\*
Mark Becker

#### <u>A250</u>

Adam Harner\* Kenneth Jay

#### A Open

Dave Drouillard

#### 30+ A

Nicholas Lynn\* Derek Heisler Justin Pawklowski

#### 40+ A

Andrew Archer Jerry Shroeder Shawn Holley Adam Krumanaker John Bontempo

#### 50+ A

Fred Kraemer Brett Dubois Dale Deveau Erick Shafer Mark Hufnagel

#### B 200

Robert Dickey Shawne Collins

**VISIONS** continued from page 5

#### **LEGISLATION**

We are still watching the House Bills 4535 and 4536 "The Snowmobile Bills" that effectively closes Off Road vehicle traffic from December 1 to March 31 each year.

Although it is only stated purpose is to keep wheeled vehicle off "Groomed "Snowmobile trails, the bill is poorly written and inadvertently has the potential of closing access to most of our trail system during these months.

The Bills are in the Natural Resource committee in the Senate. I expect they will be coming back up when the Legislators return to work.

## CYCLE CONSERVATION CLUB OF MICHIGAN

Our Partner in off road motorcycling has announced the retirement of Executive Director Lewis Shuler.

I have had the pleasure of working closely with Lewis for a long time striving for the rights of our users and to keep abreast and be an active part of the States Trail system.

We thank Lewis for all the years of service striving to keep our State the Trail State!

See ya at the races,

THOMAS DUNN

## TO PLACE YOUR AD IN THE D14 NEWS...

Contact
Linda@D14News.net
for more info!

#### **B250**

**Alexander Dings Evan Harrison** 

#### **B** Open

Fletcher Collins Race Vollmar TJ Cousinaw Joseph Stein

#### 30+B

Kyle Clare Jason Francis Kyle Harter **Taylor Leisure** Drew Mullendore

#### 40+ B

Jason Wier Stephen Chapman Ryan Lohman Robert Poppe James Schettek

#### 50+B

Kurt Haveri Mark Adams Richard Bender Shannon Javis Tom Densmore

#### 60+

Bill Fritz Mike Greenman **Doug Amato** Vic Flegel Jeff Kirkwood

#### <29 C

Isaac Dings **Hunter Harter** 

#### 30+ C

**Zach Carnes** Lee Gall **Andrew Curto** Jayson Dings Dan VanKalker

#### 50+ C

Dan Dolan Scott Poquette Tim Blower

#### Women's

Tina Flegel Kelsey Pacholke

## RIGHTS. RIDING. RACING www.AMA-D14.org

#### **2021 FAMILY ENDURO SERIES BANQUET AWARD WINNERS**

**BUDDY** – Heidi Crawford; Stella Francis

VINTAGE – Tim Grow; Mike Miller; Craig Scott

4-6 YO - Emma Carnes; Mack Melton; Cash Melton

7-8 YO - Jackson Long; Charlotte Crowder

9-11 YO – Alijah Gaines; Landon Long; Maximus Buntoon; Carson Wilson; Wyat Ewen; Flynn O'Shaughnaessey; Lucas Bennett; Jacob Harter

12-13 YO - Hunter Harter; Evan Jewett

14-15 YO - Isaac Dings; Spencer Beck; Brook Powers; **Hunter McMiller** 

W 11-15 - Allison Jay; Elizabeth Adams

W 16+ - Susan Fisher; Polly Grow; Amy Pelaston; Kelsey Pacholke; Diane Zettle

16-39 YO - Casey Wilson; Nicholas Javis; Glenn Sipes; **Alexander Dings** 

40-49 YO - Jasynn Dings; Lee Gall; Todd Helsel; Dan Valkalker; Tim Harter; Erik Kostbade; Jared Sutton; Brent Long; Jeff Balla

50-59 YO - Shannon Javis; Richard Bender; David Blackburn; Steve Beane; Steve Kramp

60+ YO - Thomas Murphy; Guy Pierce; Danny Thielen; Terry Flynn; Dave Barclay; Bill Harter

District 14 is planning on sending out surveys for your feedback. We'd like everyone to have the opportunity to participate, but if we don't have your correct email address we can't send you the surveys. Please send it to d14membership@gmail.com!



Genesee County's Newest Motorcycle, ATV, **UTV Parts and Accesories Store** 



**Full Service Department next** door at CC Moto Works













4307 Davison Rd. Burton MI 48509 (810) 820-7370 Parts (810) 820-7017 Service

## REASONS YOU SHOULD USE J A PLANT-BASED CLEANER



#### 1. Safety:

Have you read the label on the back of a commercial cleaner? Warning! Flammable! Do not ingest! Keep out of reach of children! Many chemicals used in household cleaners have not been tested for safety. Household cleaning supplies are one of the top five substance classes accounting for calls to the National Poison Control Center. Many commercial cleaners contain ingredients that are endocrine disrupting chemicals, carcinogens, or neurotoxins. Kids, babies, and pets are even more vulnerable to chemical exposure because they are smaller and cannot get rid of toxins as easily as adults. It is definitely

worth ditching harsh chemicals for a cleaner with plant- and mineralbased ingredients.

#### 2. Air Quality:

Did you know that indoor air is 5-7 times more polluted than outdoor air? Most cleaning products contain Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs), which have been associated with many health problems, including damage to the liver, kidneys, and the central nervous system. They have also been shown to harm our lungs and cause throat irritations and headaches. VOCs are released when products are used and can linger in the air long after we clean. When we

breathe, we inhale the air—as well as whatever is in the air.

#### 3. Environmental Impact:

Harsh chemicals found in cleaners are not only harmful to our bodies, but they also have a major impact on the environment and are huge contributors to environmental pollution. Some conventional cleaning products contain ingredients that are toxic, non-biodegradable, and from non-renewable resources like petroleum, so they harm the Earth's ecosystems. Harsh chemicals may contaminate the water through rivers, streams, and lakes, which affects wildlife, plants, trees,

and us! Plus, there are thousands of chemicals that are in cleaning products that have never been tested for safety.

#### 4. Convenience:

It's much easier to clean with a few products that take care of all your cleaning needs, rather than a having whole arsenal of toxic products under your sink and in your bathrooms. With Thieves® Household Cleaner, you can tackle multiple cleaning jobs in your home without switching products as you clean! It cleans countertops, windows, mirrors, floors, toilets, showers, and pretty much everything else. Plus, you don't have to worry about getting bleach stains on your clothes or accidentally mixing dangerous chemicals together. It's worth a try for the convenience alone.

#### 5. Cost:

The cost of buying cleaners is expensive, especially if you have to buy multiple different cleaners. Thieves Household Cleaner is very cost effective, and it comes in a concentrated form. There are approximately 60 capfuls of the cleaner in a 14.4-ounce bottle. Using the medium degreasing ratio, you can get about 29 16-ounce cleaners. That's less than \$1 a bottle!

Why worry about all the what if's? Be empowered and take charge of your chores by using a cleaner with plant-based ingredients.

These are only five of the many reasons to use a plant-based product.



**FOR MORE INFO OR TO ORDER YOURS:** 

586.855.7413

linda@inkandoils.com InkandOils.com **REFERRAL ID #1356931** 

## THE WHEEL KEEPS TURNING

#### The Technology Behind the Brand New TMs for 2022

Story and photos by Steven Beane

wenty twenty-two is a very quiet year for most manufacturers in the off-road world. Supply chain disruptions, governmental responses to covid-19, and condensed testing schedules conspired to make it largely a year of bold new graphics, with a few notable exceptions. Honda released a CRF250 that mimics its last 450 overhaul, Yamaha took the cover off its first big YZ125 change since 2006, and TM ... well they basically revised their entire lineup. While the alterations are numerous, they can be split largely into three main areas.

#### **Two-Stroke Fuel Injection**

TM introduced its first fuel-injected two strokes in 2019, utilizing a transfer point injection system similar to that found on the Austrian-produced 250s and 300s. In that configuration, fuel was introduced into the transfer ports on both sides of the back of the cylinder, and oil (stored in the right-hand frame rail) was injected just downstream of the throttle body.



▲ The magic now happens entirely on the throttle body

In 2022, TM has eschewed TPI for a more conventional throttle body injection (TBI). While the cylinders still sport the bosses for the older system, fuel is now introduced into the air stream in the throttle body itself, much like it is on the Vertigo trials bikes. We'll have to see what the performance effects are of this change, but they are not lost on the competition as many of the KTM and Husky hard enduro riders were using similar systems this summer. From a packaging perspective the new system is much cleaner in terms of wiring and fuel plumbing, and the potential of damage to the system components from errant exhaust pipe crushing and trail trash is also greatly reduced.

TM continues to offer the 2T MX and EN (enduro) line-ups with a tried-andtrue Keihin carb.



▲ Flat across the top

#### **Frame Geometry**

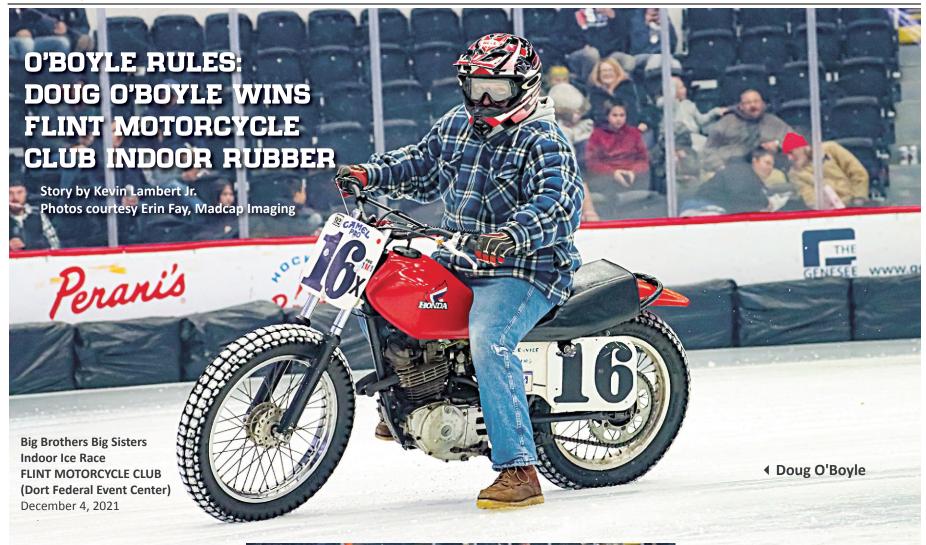
Frame geometry on all models has been altered to make the bikes more responsive to rider inputs in steering, while retaining the ability to charge terrain and obstacles at whatever speed the rider feels comfortable with. That's the marketing speak, and we know for sure the frames have changed, as evidenced by the steering head to perimeter spar welding, and new frame spars and uprights.

#### **Improved Ergonomics and Modernized Bodywork**

TM has completely revised the frames, subframes, and bodywork on the new bikes. The topline of the bikes are much flatter than before, and new sidepanels combined with revised frame uprights make the bikes up to 30mm narrower that previous models. Four-strokes continue to utilize a front mounted airbox and underseat fuel tank, while two strokes retain a more conventional tank/airbox arrangement. TM two-strokes are offered with two fuel capacity options. With the standard 9.5 liter tank, air is drawn in around the fuel cap and channeled to the airbox. With the larger 12 liter tank the profile of the tank remains the same, but engine air is drawn in through the sides of the airbox. New for 2022 is a shared saddle. In the case of fuel (and oil) injected bikes, the oil tank now resides in the airbox.

It won't be long before we have the 2022 TMs in stock – look for a follow up report on whether or not the changes to the bikes live up to the hype generated by the new specs.

TMs are exotic, but that doesn't make them inaccessible. You can see them on-line at afterhourscycle.com or schedule an appointment to climb aboard one at PlusOnePerformance near Milford.



Doug O'Boyle never came to the Big Brothers Big Sisters Flint Motorcycle Club Indoor, but with son Kyle recently falling ill and a handful of riders backing out, the former national number decided to fill his sons vacant seat and all he needed was a helmet and gloves!

Two heat races would determine the main event positions for the racers; heat one pitted GG&R Faktory riders two time national champ Dustin Cook and Dillon Cook a D14 runner up and two time 3n against Barnes Built Trevor Gatlin. Doug O'Boyle filled the 4th spot, Blue Jeans and all.

Heat one began with a Dustin Cook whole shot on the GG&R Starracer, with brother Dillon and Gatlin in tow. The 1n of Cook immediately gapped the field leaving the remaining riders to battle for the front row position in the main. Dustin Cook scored the win, Gatlin second, Dillon Cook 3rd and Doug O'Boyle 4th.

Heat Two had three Barnes Built team members the Ice with fan favorite and past event winner Cory



▲ Dustin Cook 1n



▲ Sparks and Cory D also blew their chances at rubber tire glory. Sparks had been looking hot all night until the Mystery Machine attempted a bump pass that took both men off the podium.

D. 2019 event winner Joe Barnes and Pat Sparks. Pat Sparks kicked things off with a bang, looking in great shape physically and on the motorcycle Sparks has made major improvements to his riding and it showed immediately as Cory D and Barnes Struggled some to keep up with sparks pace. Cory D managed to make up some ground to get in Sparks back pocket and make a late race pass for the heat win putting Sparks in 2nd and Barnes in third.

The main event had Dustin Cook as the poll sitter putting down the fastest laps of the Cory D as 2nd pick. The rest of the front row had Gatlin, Dillon Cook and Barnes rounding the field with O'Boyle and Sparks on the back row. Controversy began as Barnes argued with staff about Dil-Ion Cooks front row position and after some commotion Cook was asked to take his place on the 2nd row with O'Boyle and Sparks. The green light flashed and Dustin Cook began to pull away immediately gaping the field by nearly a straightaway with

Doug O'Boyle coming off the back row into second. Cook had what most believed won the race... however an over zealous right hand got Cook in trouble as he took the GG&R Starracer wide open into one and took an ice sample giving O'Boyle the lead.

Sparks was looking strong and smelled blood in the water with a win within sight if he could get around O'Boyle but teammate Cory D felt the same way and worlds collided in turn three with an aggressive pass attempt that put both men down and in a tangle; this was very unfortunate for Sparks as he was having a fantastic night up to this point.

The crash had moved Trevor Gatlin and Barnes onto the podium but the Crafty O'Boyle would deny both Men the honor of the checkers. In a last ditch attempt Barnes tried to make an outside move at the line but the Veteran O'Boyle took away the real estate and walked away with the win, blue jeans and all.



▲ Dustin Cook had the event nearly wrapped up until he thought he was on a studded bike and sampled the bails ended his chance at rubber tire glory



**◆ Pat Sparks** 4s looking lean and mean! Pat looked poised to take the dub home in heat #2.

The O'Boyle victory ended Barnes Built indoor supremacy and once again denied rival team GG&R from an indoor victory. However, the event accomplished a few more important things, putting rubber tire racing on the map and helping Big Brothers and Big Sisters do the good work in the Flint area! Hats off to FMC for a job well done!

**▶** FMC Sergeant at Arms Scott Purdy, is a dedicated club member who puts in the work to make sure the BBBS event continues to be the premiere indoor Ice event in Michigan. Make sure to thank Scott for his dedication and hard work and inquire about FMC membership.







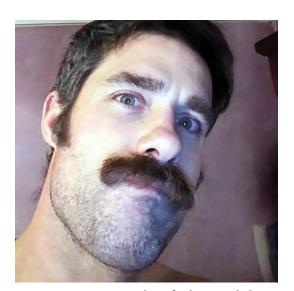
▲ Fan favorite #72 Cory D

Story and photos by Kevin Lambert Jr.

Recently I took on an interesting build, Tom Lewis of Findlay Ohio gave me a good condition 73 Yamaha RT1 360! Any free motorcycle is good but...Tom had one stipulation, make her a rubber bike and that he be able to race it at select events in D14

I went to work asap, removing all leftover dirt and grime and Bodywork. Many Rubber builds can be financed with the sale of parts off a stock bike and within a day or so on the Book, I had nearly a G to invest into the build.

Going full on hack and wack' I took the ol' Chicago Electric cut off wheel to town on unneeded tabs and hardware as well as a subframe hoop. Once I removed all this uselessness, I drove over to Tin Shack Cycle to have Shawn bend up a subframe whoop I was gonna bird poop weld onto the frame... and yes, it was bird poop... after a box of jackrod and a few hours on a grinder, I knew what would make this build pop... and cover my snot shot weld/grind job... a can of silver metallic paint; and I did the whole frame too!



▲ As Ice Race Vice chairman, it is my goal to propagate and grow the Ice Division as well as sell the art of rubber tire racing to the masses!



The bike was a nice shade of Purple when it came into Goon Glass & Rubber World Headquarters.

The paint on the frame was not enough and I decided the pipe, motor and new body work needed that too. So...out came the 99c black and the bike looked good as new. Bodywork was simple, primer, white then clear, put a few stickers on... BAM! This baby looks like a 1970s novice bike!

I carefully installed the bodywork and made sure to pad it well, as I made all of it! When the bodywork was in place, I decided the Color Yellow would be part of the color schemes for grips and the pad. A&A fork guards rounded the build and than a new set of the winningest non studded ice racing tires ever were installed on this brute!

After installing new fuel line and filters it was time to start her up and let her breath some, completely smoking out my shop in the process!

Will she work? That is TBD so make sure to make it out to a D14 Ice Race this winter and check out the rubber class! It is fun, affordable and as you just read even I can make something that wins a race!



## RIGHTS. RIDING. RACING



## **2022 STATE CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES:**

01/09 - Owosso Motorsports Park

01/16 - Valley Trail Riders MC

01/23 - Team CDI Racing @ Leisure Lake Family Campground

01/30 - Valley Trail Riders MC

02/06 - Owosso Motorsports Park

02/20 - Team CDI Racing @ Leisure Lake Family Campground

02/27 - Make-Up Weekend (TBD)

## AMA ICE RACE GRANO NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Location: Valley Trail Riders MC

2 Days of Racing: February 12 & 13th

Bikes, Sidecars & ATV's

Kold Kutter Pro-Am Cash Shootouts

Rubber Tire Solo Open Cash Shootout

Promoted By:



For More Details Visit: www.D14ICE.com







## THE ALL INCLUSIVE CBD STARTER BUNDLE

MUSCLE RUB / FLAVORED DROPS / ROLL-ON

- REGULAR & EXTRA STRENGTH FORMULAS -



SAFE | PURE | EFFECTIVE | ZERO THC!

PLEASE USE REFERRAL ID #1356931 / LINDA ROXBURY

FOR MORE INFO OR TO ORDER YOURS>>

586.855.7413 InkandOils.com

# Miscellaneous

#### JANUARY 2022 – by Steven Beane

- If it seems like a minute since there's been a new Miscellaneous Moto Musings, it's because it has been. The fall is a busy time with lots of things requiring attention; those things are done, so let's get back to it.
- You would have had to have been under a rock to miss out on the fact that Dylan Ferrandis took the 450MX title as a rookie on his Star Racing Yamaha. If memory serves correct, that's the first time since Grant Langston that the big blue machine has captured the premier outdoor title.
- Joining Ferrandis at Star next year will be none other than Eli Tomac, a champion many times over in his own right. Jason Anderson has taken Tomac's spot at Kawasaki, leaving an extra big hole at Husqvarna as Zach Osbourne announced his retirement due to recurring back issues.
- Speaking of Husqvarna, that's what there racing teams in ROW (the 'rest of the world') will be identified as in 2022, as the newly-acquired Rockstar brand (bought by Pepsi) pulls back sponsorship dollars. USA based moto, off-road, and flattrack teams retain the Rockstar support.
- · Various shifts in corporate KTM's MXGP effort see Jorge Prado moving to GasGas, Tony Cairoli retiring, and Jeffery Herlings becoming the only 'factory' KTM 450 pilot.
- How important is the US market to TM? Important enough that we secured the first three containers of production for the 2022 season, but from that point on we're back in the mix with the other importers. Current orders are already up over 40% from last year.
- Marc Marquez is on the mend, but not quickly enough to regain the MotoGP title in 2021. This year Fabio Quartararo guided his Yamaha to victory, while Suzuki-mounted 2020 champion Joan Mir took third behind Francesco Bagnaia on a Ducati. Along with Jack Miller on the factory team and Johann Marco on the Pramac squad, Ducati took three of the top five spots.

- Brandy Richards was just named AMA Motorcyclist of the year, in no small part because she won Every. Single. Test. in the women's class at the ISDE. Sure the always strong Australian team couldn't travel and compete this year, but you can only race who lines up at the start.
- Even though December has been largely warm and clear, we did encounter some snow on the Evart trail on our annual First Ride After Deer Season (FRADS). The trail was generally wet but not muddy, but at times we were relying on deer tracks to show us the way. The snow cover did it's best to conceal the logs and rocks Evart is known for, but with only one tip-over on the day (not mine) we'll call it a success. Sorry if you couldn't make it - let's try again next year!
- I've said this before and I'll keep saying it - I really wish I had started riding trials much earlier in life. Everything I've learned on 'the bike with no seat' has made me a better off-road rider. Slippery rocks, roots, and logs that would have freaked me out even five years ago have moved from being intimidating to a welcome challenge.
- The annual sanctioning meeting for District 14 was held recently in Bay City. There's a great schedule of competition events planned for 2022, including two National Enduros and a full complement of hillclimb, flattrack, hare scrambles, and moto events. AMA rep Erik Kudla was at the meeting, and said the AMA is also looking at organizing rally-raid type events going forward!
- Many thanks to Taylor Carpenter for her work as District Secretary over the last couple of years, and congratulations to Molly Kidner as she assumes those responsibilities going forward.
- Have you seen the photos of the cargo ships clogging the ocean off the California coast? Somewhere out there are more of our Beta XTrainers and the first of the 2022 TMs, although going forward Beta will be entering the US through the east coast ports, as is already the case

with our Vertigo trials bikes.

- Speaking of trials bikes and the men (and women) who ride them, if you've got some time check out the XTrials indoor series. While only two rounds in 2021 due to covid-related restrictions. it demonstrates the shear talent and capability of what can be done on two wheels in an easy to watch format.
- SuperEnduro Europe's version of EnduroX – got underway and it's safe to say that Billy Bolt is now the man to beat both indoors and out. The Husqvarna rider went three-for-three in moto wins at the first event in Poland way back at the start of December. Amazingly, the series will follow in the footsteps of the Miss World pageant and hold its next event in Israel on January 20, albeit Jerusalem not Eilat.
- January is fast approaching, and that can only mean one of two things - either Anaheim 1 (back on the schedule as the supercross opener) or the Dakar Rally! Lots of ink will be spilled on both ... can Barcia repeat yet again as seasonopener-winner, will Tomac be a threat on the Yamaha, can Ferrandis bring his outdoor speed to the stadiums, will Webb, Musquin, and Plessinger crush it on the brand-new KTMs, can Roczen recover from his second-half melt-down last year ... to how will Americans Skyler Howes (Husgvarna), former winner and last-year's runner up Ricky Brabec (HRC Honda) and Andrew Short (Yamaha) fare in the desert of Saudi Arabia, is the new Sherco 450 rally bike a match for the new KTM, will Kevin Benavides' defection from Honda to KTM affect his chances at repeating as champion ... so many storylines to follow.
- Congratulations to Shayna Texter for making the big step up to the Factory Indian Racing team. Texter, the winningest rider in the American Flat Track singles class, will make her debut on the FTR750 at the Volusia Half Mile in Bar-

berville, Florida on March 10th.

- It may seem like months away, but now is the time to be preparing for the start of the 2022 season. Get those fresh bearings installed, repack your silencer, freshen up the suspension, spoon on some new tires because the National Enduro series start about six weeks from
- Not long after the Sumter National I'll be travelling to Southern California to race a WORCS race at Glen Helen alongside the TM importer, and then will have a chance to meet the TM factory rep and share some ideas for future products.
- · Speaking of new products, Triumph just threw their hat into the ring in the small-to-midsize adventure bike class with the introduction of the Tiger Sport 660. Without having ridden one, all I can say is that I'm a sucker for a three-cylinder engine in any motorcycle.
- · Don't look now, and pray it doesn't happen here, but in less than 3 months since announcing the 'decree', Italy has restricted the travel on any road, path, or trail less than 8.2 feet wide to maintenance vehicles only. Motorcycles and even bicycles are banned, with riders subject to heavy fines for non-compliance. Odd given the fact that Italy hosted the ISDE only three months ago, and the fact that there are over 117,000 off-roaders in the country, as well as numerous manufacturers including Ducati, Beta, and TM.
- To end on a happy note here's to a great year of riding in 2021, and hope for a better one yet in 2022. Merry Christmas, God bless, and I look forward to seeing you on the track or in the woods sometime soon.

XTrainers, EVOs, Vertigos and TMs all classify as great after Christmas gifts. Or we could set you up with the suspension service and new Rekluse clutch you've been wanting, or ... whatever it is, check us out at afterhourscycle.com





▲ Kier Krassa having more fun on Sunday as his bike made it more than one turn, unlike Saturday



▲ Jeff Doneth decided to stop and say hi as he wrapped up the 65+ GP Championship

e finished up our season at Valley Trail riders in Bentley with a two day event. Both races were part of the Allpro Off-road GP series with a great track layout. Our plans worked perfectly with us being able to run counterclockwise on Saturday and clockwise on Sunday. Each day the racers got plenty of track time as lap times were over three minutes long for the fastest racers. The crew worked hard to groom after the races Saturday to give an even better track on Sunday. The start was on old school grass start with a flag on the ground. Everyone had a great time and we even got in a pit bike race on Sunday. It was a great fun race to end a fantastic season of Vintage MX!

The weekend got started with the Innovation class as Colin Cook grabbed the holeshot. Al Doneth was quick to make the pass for the lead and check out. Colin then had a good battle with Nik Michael for most of the race. Nik made the pass with two laps to go and had to keep charging. Colin tried to run the outside with two corners to go and lost some time. Nik barely held on for second with Colin in third. Gene Huntoon held fourth for quite awhile holding off Tom Lee II and Brody Bahlau. Brody was



▲ Brody Bahlau leads Al Doneth and Gene Huntoon early in the pit bike race

making the most passes as he made his way into fourth with Joe Mapes following him in fifth. Gene dropped back to sixth as Tommy lost a few spots. Blake Argue took over seventh and ended up falling with only a few turns to go. Luckily he had enough of a gap back to Tommy and held on for seventh with Tommy in eighth. Shaun Nestor put in some good laps and pulled away from Eli Hovorka as

most of the race but his bigger Maico got the better of him as he slipped to fourth. Tom Lee looked smooth all day as he rounded out the top five. The Historic racers were up next with Ken Argue leading the way. Blake Argue was out in the lead by the middle of lap one and pulling away. Ken was into a battle with Luke Mapes on a quickly repaired bike after the Evo moto. Luke did have some

they rounded out the top ten. The next class was a little light with the 65/70+

and Schoolboy racers making up a total of five racers. Jeff Doneth was fastest out of the gate grabbing the holeshot. John Korte took the 70+ and overall lead a few turns later and motored away for the win. Gary Sirovey was quickly into second and tried to keep John in sight.

He finished out in second as Jeff took the 65+ race win. Don Weir made an appearance and tried to race but his knee

was still not up to the challenge. Alexis

Argue was the lone schoolboy racer and

had some good battles once again with the bigger bikes. Evolution was up next as Ross Kershner tried to throw it away in turn one. He recovered and took the holeshot but Joe and Luke Mapes both made a pass to drop him to third. Ross latched on to the leaders and eventually made the pass for the lead on lap two. He had Joe hounding him for the rest of the 25 minutes but held on for the win. Joe was only a turn or two behind as they pulled away from the pack. William Hawkins was underpowered on the long start but his lighter bike proved to be a plus as he came across in third. Shaun Nestor was running in the top three for



▲ Ken Argue was having a blast all weekend long



▲ Gene Huntoon had the corners dialed on his 125cc



▲ Joe Sangster roosting his way to a fifth as he looked at home on his big bore Honda

controversy as he missed the start and jumped in by his pits and cut some of the track. Luke did make his way into the lead and take the win. So during the race we timed him for the portion of track he missed and he won by almost double that time. We also consulted with Blake, who came across in second, and he was in agreement to give Luke the win and him in second. Ken Held on to round out the podium. Alexis Argue and Jeff Doneth continued their battle early but



▲ Connor Goulet couldn't miss a race this close to his house after his long injury break

Alexis was able to put some distance on him to take fourth. Jeff crossed in fifth as Michael Sangster took sixth. The Transition class was off last with a great few lap battle between Colin Cook and Nik Michael. Colin had to work to pull away but would take the win. Nik settled in for second as Gerardie Bartys came from outside the top five to round out the podium. Gene Huntoon felt right at home with the woods riding and long moto to finish a very close fourth. The Sangster brothers were next as Sean and Jeffrey were stuck together for most of the 25+ minutes. Sean had the edge and held on for fifth with Jeffrey in sixth. Rich Isza had a great start and did some battling inside the top five but slipped back seventh as he held off Eli Hovorka in eighth.

Sunday was a little warmer and better overall conditions. We switched up the order and let the Transition racers go off first. Ross Kershner grabbed the holeshot but then turned left in turn two like we did on Saturday. Unfortunately for Sunday, since we reversed the track, he was supposed to turn right. And even worse is the fact that he took George Souliotis with him. They quickly realized their mistake and were back in the right direction but near the back of the pack. Nik Michael took over the lead with his third place start and never looked back. Gerardie took advantage and ran second for quite some time before George made his way back to the front. George made his way into second as Gerardie held for a top three. Ross made his way back up to fourth and battled a little with Lance Shelton. Lance was able to

VTR continued on page 20



▲ Joe Mapes (6) leads Evolution over eventual winner Nik Michael (8) on a borrowed bike



▲ Al Doneth was on the gas all weekend taking three class wins in as many classes



▲ Stephen Phillips tried his best to bump his rival down a spot but missed it by one position



▲ George Souliotis had to show up Sunday to hold onto his Transition 125cc Championship as he took second



Nik Michael was on the gas with two seconds on Saturday and two wins on Sunday

**VTR** continued from page 19

pull away and take fourth as Rich Isza and Gene Huntoon fought early for the top five. Gene held on to the spot as Rich fell back to seventh near the end of the race. Connor Goulet made his return after a mid season injury. He rode well and had fun to take sixth. Ross had his fun and didn't want to interfere with the racers fighting for points and settled into eighth just ahead of Barry Sims in ninth. The Historic class was next with Luke

Mapes leading the way. He rode uncontested to take another race win. Blake Argue was in pursuit but knew he didn't have to push as he had the Championship locked up. He settled for second as Ken was just out having fun chasing his kids around as he rounded out the podium. The race was on for fourth as Stephen Phillips held it early. If he could gain a few extra points over his rival Jeff, he would pass him in the series points. It was close and then Alexis Argue made

the pass on Jeff and was going to be enough for Stephen. But Alexis never gave up also made the pass on Stephen which flipped the spot back to Jeff. Alexis would go on to fourth as Stephen finished in fifth. Jeff crossed in sixth with a sigh of relief as he stayed one place ahead of Stephen in the points race. Michael Sangster was out again and looking good but did hit the ground in yet another race. He was fine and got going again and was in contention for the most

improved rider over last year as he took seventh. Evolution was out next as Joe Mapes took the holeshot. Him and Nik Michael, on a borrowed CR480, had a great few lap battle. Nik would make the pass and pull away with Joe settling for second. Luke Mapes was back to back and finished in a solid third on the same bike he just rode in Historic. Joe Sangster, William Hawkins and Shaun Nestor were in a three way fight for the top five. Shaun made the pass with a few laps to go and held on for fourth with Joe rounding out the top five. William rode great on his YZ100 to take sixth in the long moto format against mostly open cc machines. Jay Ottenwess had to work his way from a slow start to the rear wheel of Tom Lee. He then kept the charge up and made the pass on the last lap to take seventh with Tom in eighth. Keir Krassa and Victor Grahn had a great race as they were wheel to wheel for the entire 26mins of track time. Keir was ahead for most of the race but on the last lap, Victor made the move to get into ninth as Keir finished out the top ten. We did a last minute change and combined the last three classes into one. That put some racers back to back but with only two total in the 65+ and SB classes it only made sense. The Innovation racers were first to the stripe with Chris Williams leading the way. He was late to the track and missed his race so he jumped in just to get some seat time. He was removed from the results but he

had a great battle with Al Doneth for a few laps. Al would eventually be credited with the win after Chris was DQ'd. Gene Huntoon started in the top three but fell back a few spots after the fighting Brody Bahlau and Joe Mapes made their way through. Another lap went by and it was Lance Shelton up in the two spot as Joe still had a slight edge over Brody. Bryan Hoeldtke made his return and made it into the top five just ahead of Gene. Lance had enough of a gap to cruise to second but it was Brody never giving up to make the last lap pass to take over third. Joe slid back to fourth as Bryan rounded out the top five. Gene settled for sixth after a great start as Blake Argue was just off his usual pace to take seventh. Shaun Nestor and Tom Lee II went back and forth early but it was Shaun with the edge in eighth. Tommy took ninth as Ken Argue finished out the top ten. Derek Michael figure out his bike problems from Saturday to actually finish the race on Sunday in eleventh. Jeff Doneth and Alexis Argue took off last to have their own battle as they won both of their classes. The most fun race of the weekend was the pit bike race. It was held last and was only four laps long. Blake Argue grabbed the holeshot and led for the first two laps with Al Doneth fighting to get around Brody Bahlau. Al finally made the pass and then later in the lap, Blake made a mistake and went off in to the woods. That's all the gap Al needed to go on and take the race win. Brody took advantage of Blake's mishap and took over second.



onto his top fiv



▲ Brody Bahlau took top Innovation 125cc honors both days and making the podium on Sunday



Bryan Hoeldtke (26) made an appearance and roosted Lane Shelton (097) early in Innovation



▲ Gerardie Bartys led for a little on Sunday before slipping to third in Transition on Sunday





**BUY OR RENEW YOUR DISTRICT 14 MEMBERSHIP ONLINE** HERE!





▲ Derek Michael rode well but minor brainfarts slowed his pace in the pit bike race

**VTR** continued from page 21

Nik Michael came from a horrible start to make his way into third by the end of the race. Gene Huntoon ran with the leaders early but could only manage a fourth. Joe Sangster was running in the top five until a tip over mid race allowed Steve Austin to take over the spot. He would rebound and get going to hold onto sixth as Blake reentered the track to take seventh. Luke Mapes was also running inside the top five for the first two laps and then threw a chain half way through lap three. He got it back on and finished in eighth a little ahead of Stephen Phillips. Gerardie Bartys put his small bike through the ringer as he finished out the top ten. Derek Michael struggled as he tried riding around with the choke on and then shut his gas off. He crossed in eleventh as Michael Sangster crossed in twelfth to earn his own trophy in this fun race.

That does it for the season and I want to thank everyone for making this another great season. Overall we had the best numbers to date and they only seem to be growing. Next year marks our 30 Year Anniversary as a series and we will be doing some special things. The 2022 schedule has been posted so please mark those dates down so we can have an even better season next year.

**RESULTS: VALLEY TRAIL GP SATUR-**DAY 9/16/21 - Historic: 1. M. Sutherland (Hon); 2. B. Argue (Hon); 3. M. Mason (Suz); 4. C. Sutherland (Hon); 5. A. Argue (Yam); 6. S. Phillips (Hod); 7. K. Argue (Yam) Schoolboy: 1. A. Argue (Yam) Evolution: 1. R. Kershner (Hon); 2. J. Mapes (Kaw); 3. W. Hawkins (Yam); 4. S. Nestor



▲ Jeffrey Sangster made the jump to a 250cc for his last race of the season and looked good

(Mai); 5. T. Lee (Ktm); 6. J. Ottenwess (Yam); 7. J. Johnson (Suz ) Innovation: 1. A. Doneth (Hon); 2. N. Michael (Hon); 3. C. Cook (Hon); 4. B. Bahlau (Kaw); 5. J. Mapes (Kaw); 6. G. Huntoon (Kaw); 7. B. Argue (Hon); 8. T. Lee II (Suz); 9. S. Nestor (Hon); 10. E. Hovorka (Hon); 11. K. Argue (Hon); 12. J. Hovorka (Hon) Transition: 1. C. Cook (Yam); 2. N. Michael (Hon); 3. G. Bartys (Kaw); 4. G. Huntoon (Kaw); 5. S.



▲ Ross Kershner had to fight for the moto win on Saturday to lock up the championship early



▲ Blake Argue locked up the championship with a second place finish on Saturday



▲ Colin Cook had a battle on his hands in both of his classes as he won Transition on Saturda

Sangster (Hon); 6. J. Sangster (Hon); 7. R. Isza (Hon); 8. E. Hovorka (Yam) 65+: 1. J. Doneth (Suz) 70+: 1. J. Korte (Hon); 2. G. Sirovey (Ktm)

RESULTS: VALLEY TRAIL SUNDAY **9/17/21** - **Historic**: 1. L. Mapes (Suz); 2. B. Argue (Hon); 3. K. Argue (Yam); 4. A. Argue (Yam); 5. S. Phillips (Hod); 6. J. Doneth (Suz); 7. M. Sangster (Hon) Schoolboy: 1. A. Argue (Yam) Evolution: 1. N. Michael (Hon); 2. J. Mapes (Kaw); 3. L. Mapes (Suz); 4. S. Nestor (Mai); 5. J. Sangster (Hon); 6. W. Hawkins (Yam); 7. J. Ottenwess (Yam); 8. T. Lee (Ktm); 9. V. Grahn (Yam); 10. K. Krassa (Yam) Innovation: 1. A. Doneth (Hon); 2. L. Shelton (Yam); 3. B. Bahlau (Kaw); 4. J. Mapes (Kaw); 5. B. Hoeldtke (Kaw); 6. G. Huntoon (Kaw); 7. B. Argue (Hon); 8. S. Nestor (Hon); 9. T. Lee II (Suz); 10. K. Argue (Hon); 11. D. Michael (Hon) Transition: 1. N. Michael (Hon); 2. G. Souliotis (Hon); 3. G. Bartys (Kaw); 4. L. Shelton (Yam); 5. G. Huntoon (Kaw); 6. C. Goulet (Hon); 7. R. Isza (Hon); 8. R. Kershner (Hon); 9. B. Sims (Kaw) 65+: 1. J. Doneth (Suz) Pit Bike: 1. A. Doneth (Hon); 2. B. Bahlau (Suz); 3. N. Michael (Hon); 4. G. Huntoon (Hon); 5. S. Austin (Yam); 6. J. Sangster (Hon); 7. B. Argue (Hon); 8. L. Mapes (Hon); 9. S. Phillips (Hon); 10. G. Bartys (Ssr); 11. D. Michael (Hon); 12. M. Sangster (Hon)



▲ William Hawkins had a tough weekend working nights and racing his underpowered 100cc but looked great



▲ Tom Lee finding traction on the old style grass track



PARTS, APPAREL & ACCESSORIES

when you Purchase Any Vehicle or Trailer (excludes BRP products)















5 min. from I-94/ Blue Water Bridge! 2203 Wadhams Rd • KIMBALL • 810.989.9050









2022 KTM 500 **EXC-F** 



2022 KTM 300 XC-W TPI ERZBERGRODEO











**2022 KAWASAKI KX 450 SR** 







2021 KTM 890



2021 KTM 390



**2021 KTM 390 DUKE** 



**SAVE \$751** 









**2021 KAWASAKI NINJA ZX-6R** 



**2022 HONDA** CRF50F



**2022 HONDA** GROM







**HONDA PIONEER 700 DELUXE** 

Advertised pricing excludes applicable taxes title and licensing, dealer set up, destination, reconditioning and are subject to change without notice. Pricing may exclude any added parts, accessories or installation unless otherwise noted. Sale prices include all applicable offers. Not all options listed available on pre-owned models. Contact dealer for details WHILE SUPPLIES LAST / SEE SALES PERSON FOR DETAILS