



January 4, 2021 Meeting Minutes  
Zoom Meeting

Called to Order by: Joe Amey at 6:35 pm

Roll call

MRAN Voting Members Present					
<b>Bushwackers</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>Gamblers</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>SSTB</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Camp Valley Cowboys</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>Groundshakers</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>Wild Bunch</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Coyotes</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>Jackrabbits</b>	<b>1</b>		
<b>Darkside</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>SNDR</b>	<b>2</b>		

Approve Minutes – December minutes approved by Michael Collins @ 6:38 pm, seconded by Dave Martin.

Officer Reports

- **President – Joe Amey:**
  - Excited for the new year, it’s going to be a good year. Keep it simple, have fun, we have 10 desert races, as long as everyone gets permits approved, and 4 night races. Want to stay uniform, have a good time, be engaging with racers, have officers make as many races as we can, make it a good experience for everybody. I was worried about coming today and being in charge of the meeting, I realized I am surrounded by officers and voting members, this is a group effort and I am excited.
  - I have 2 concerns:
    - I had guys from the Mint 400 call they want input from MRAN officers, they want to talk about 2022 race, doing a joint effort between MRAN and Mint 400 so we can do it better for just dirt bikers, they are concerned they let down motorcycle racer. They want to give back to the motorcycle racing community by putting on a great event. It is not just a me effort, once we get through some meetings and discuss some items, it’s something for us to think about. It would be out at Jean, our Gambler’s were looking at 2022 out there, that got shot down this year, we may mix in with them, that’s on the horizon, we’ll discuss it later.
    - Other concern – I saw on the calendar Dave Heath that SNDR has a race in May at Nelson Hills. Was a little worried about it.
      - D. Heath – I can’t get a hold of Jamie at BLM, we may go to Lincoln County.
      - J. Amey – Tortoise season is between March and October in Mojave desert, that was the only thing I was worried about, let me know if I can help. Something to consider.
      - D. Heath – I will reach out to Lisa this week.



- J. Amey – Also, the race course in Pahroc side that Yucca Chuckers is not using, and Bristol Wells that Gambler’s were going to use.
  - M. Collins – Legacy has Alamo to Tonopah race, that would be the weekend for the Nelson Hill Race for SNDR.
- Vice President – Kody Livreri:
  - Excited to be in this position, raced with a lot of you and looked up to a lot of you. Want to help out as much as I can, get to the races early and help clubs out, if anybody needs help, don’t be afraid to call and ask, I love doing this; I’m really looking forward to it. We have a really strong schedule and optimism is high, there will be a lot of desert racing this year.
  - We talked about the Banquet a little bit, nothing much of a report yet, can’t wait to work with all you guys.
- Treasurer – Michael Collins:
  - Sent out a thing, looking for club dues letter, found a contract one.
    - Wildbunch will deliver at Round 1.
    - Looking for \$100 club dues
    - Will get Camp Valley Cowboys on board
  - The only sponsorship check we have received is Local 88.
    - RideAvik has made templates and stickers for #1 riders and MRAN for online early sign ups to thank them.
    - Trailblazers transferred money today to MRAN since we moved to American First CU, just transferred the money.
    - Sponsorships on the flyer, I only saw Dynamic Dirt Suspension. Make sure Dynamic Dirt and Sportsman Cycle is there on the flyer. Sportsman’s has given us a lot of items at cost for our raffle at the banquet last year and throughout. At the races people see that van, if they need help they are there, can we make sure that he is a title sponsor for 2021, he’s done a lot. Every year Gary has made deals with products and got us product and did not do it for profit, and then him being at the races with his box van, he helps a lot, make sure both of them are on there.
      - J. Amey – I agree.
      - Motion to approve Treasurers Report, Dave Heath @ 7:12 pm, seconded.
- Desert Referee – Jarrod Wheeler:
  - Way it looks there’s been quite a bit of online movement for sign ups, like you guys to all push to your clubs to take advantage of that, not only is it saving them \$10 right now, it saves a lot of headache in the process. I plan to race the entire series, the more help I can get to doing MRAN cards, the better it would be for all of us.



- J. Amey – How long are we keeping the \$30 fee, I thought it was through the 1<sup>st</sup> of the year?
- J. Wheeler – I thought we were doing it up until the banquet date.
- J. Amey – I am good with that. Make sure your club members know to go to the website to get signed up.
  
- **Asst. Referee – Greg Ashley:**
  - Don't have much, just anxious to get started again. Good luck to everyone.
    - Will get with Jarrod on how we're doing MRAN cards.
      - J. Wheeler – Play it by ear, get to first race, cards already purchased will be at first race. M. Collins will have a print out of what's done up until then. Might be busy getting it distributed at the first race.
    - J. Amey – Give all club president's their cards, then they can distribute
  
- **Public Relations – Gary Smith:**
  - Got Smart Local 88, received sponsorship check and sent it to the treasurer, also have a sponsorship from MoTool.
    - J. Amey – On the Gamblers flyer, I should have Local 88, MoTool, Dynamic Dirt, Avik, Sportsman's Cycle, and Race Gas.
  
- **Legislative Officer – Steve Paxton:**
  - It's been quiet with land use issues. I have heard nothing from Clark County, most of you are aware a month ago a race got shut down at Primm for a SNORE race; Clark County came out there.
  - MRAN we do what we are supposed to do and continue to do that, we need to stay out front of all of it and continue to make an effort to do it the right way.
  
- **Scoring – Tori Collins (not present):**
  - M. Collins on behalf of Tori –
    - J. Amey – Did everyone get a chance to look at the entry forms?
    - K. Ashley – Just want to confirm you saw the email with respect to identifying: E=Expert, A=Amateur, N=Novice, on the new forms.
  - Race Gas responded to email and we are set for that.
  - Online sign ups, we have 100 riders signed up for memberships already will go until banquet, averaging 115-140 riders, to have that many already signed up. We have a lot from Utah, online signs ups opened today for Gamblers. I made the entry form, scoring trailer would have a list of things of what's inside, we will get it added to the trailer.
  - I received Kat's email about E, A, N, we can make the box below, have it in there.
  
- **Secretary – Kat Ashley:**



- Please be sure to have your rosters to me by no later than January 20 to ensure that it can be compiled and provided to the referees and scoring before the first race.
  - M. Collins – You can still go on MotoTally and make their updates, and do it for free, doesn't cost anything, pay when they do it. If you have a club member they will be in the system, it's simple and easy, and we'll double check if they were on their roster. If they put they are in your club, we can check the submitted roster.
- Website – Patricia Swolensky:
  - Got the price for the emails, \$1.99 a month/email, year 2 \$5.99/month/email/year from our domain Godaddy.com.
  - Need Kody's picture, send a pic for website.
  - Changed on the website, J. Amey and M. Collins will get emails going forward.
  - Minutes can only update one file at a time, resend October, November, December as one file.
  - Based on schedule, mistake on schedule.
  - Wait for change form before adding to website, M. Collins will provide.
    - J. Amey – Don't add the new flyer tonight, need new sponsors.
  - Need sponsor level for sponsor flags.
    - M. Collins – Has a form for sponsor levels will send it to her in the morning.
    - J. Amey – Which flags?
    - A. Ross – Sponsor is \$500/flag
  - J. Amey – Back to the email thing, if we are the contacts, what's the reason for us to pay for the email?
    - M. Collins – I would like to have one that I made for mranracing.com, do you think we should have one for the MRAN president, keep getting scammer emails. Do we want one email for the president, it's your email on the website?
    - K. Ashley – What if we just created a gmail account for the officer title, like presidentmran@gmail.com?
    - P. Swolensky – Should we take them off the website for all the officers?
    - J. Amey – I don't know that it's an issue at this point. I am fine with mine being up there. How does everyone else feel?
    - M. Collins – If nobody has a problem...
    - J. Amey – Is that something we put up for a vote, or just have it status quo now?
    - M. Collins – I would leave it alone and then like Kat said, I will see if we can make one.
    - D. Swolensky – This is what it cost us to do the host and pay the difference, can this be used toward our sponsorship.
    - M. Collins – Yes, just put it in writing so we have it for tax purposes, if that's okay Joe?
    - P. Swolensky – I will send it tomorrow.
  - J. Amey – I need to put a flyer out, I want to make sure everyone is listed. I need names and logos, he needs a PDF.
  - M. Collins – Will have it before you wake up.



- B. Monk – On the website, confusing the way the calendar appears, you have all the races all combined, night and desert, can it be separated? Only desert races on top, not night races included.
- P. Swolensky – What about the banquet date on the calendar?
  - J. Amey – I think the banquet is still up in the air, we will talk about it.

### Special Reports

- **Gambler's Pre-Race report**
  - There will be 2 – 42-mile laps for Expert/Amateur, 1 lap for others. It's at Crater Flats, we have our permit in hand. Race 1 – 85s/Jr. Women, it's 8-10 miles long, race 2 and 3 are our 50s – ½ mi to 1 mile will try and shorten for 50 novices. It is long, some whoops and little bit of single track, but mostly 2 track road. Race 4, will be Big Bikes, 42-mile loop. We got some new stuff out there, about 12-14 miles is new course, then some washes that were cleaned out, the big shale hill in back corner we will go down it not up it, we are looking to have a good race out there. Fun, fast, rocky...expect rocks. We got a really fun course, we will be marking/ribboning January 16 weekend. I hope to have flyer out tomorrow. Our club is ready and waiting. Any questions?
    - M. Collins – Is club doing alt gas or people working it?
    - J. Amey – close to couple hundred yards, will be at approx. mile marker 32, come close to pits, and choose to go to alt gas. Running the course backwards from race year and one from a few years ago. Safer entrance into our pits, start will be super-fast, stretches out. Beatty is about 12 miles out from our course, if anyone needs a place to stay.

### Unfinished Business

- **MRAN Banquet –**
  - J. Amey – Not sure how we want to administer our prizes for our riders.
  - M. Collins – Talking with Roy, we want to have one, a lot of people really like the ride day. Lincoln County won't do anything before Governor talks. Lincoln County won't let us use property, we could have got a permit from BLM, which would require insurance etc. We have to do it official. Sam's Town is not booking anything until March 31, so we'll still do it, I would like to hold the awards, hold the jackets, and wait until that day, hopefully it's a free weekend. That's just what I've done talking with Sam's Town, Lincoln County, and BLM.
  - J. Amey – There is a hotel, they have space in Beatty. We could rent a tent at Gambler's race, in afternoon after race. If we had enough people that want to put it together, do it like a ride day, do it on Sunday after race, so we could say ride day on Sunday after race, and do extra insurance for Sunday, I don't know how big of a tent, and logistics. Weather has been weird. Does anyone know anybody in Beatty where we could put it together that race weekend?
  - D. Martin – I know Dave Spicer has a ranch where he has held events there.





- J. Amey – Follow up with him and see if we can do that.
  - M. Collins – The only reason we can't at this time, is that we can't gather more than 25 people, that's why Lincoln said stop, it's statewide.
  - J. Amey – Should we keep it on hold, or do something at the first race?
  - M. Collins – I don't prefer Sundays, we have a lot of families that cannot attend Sunday.
  - K. Livreri – It doesn't seem right to hold the trophies after the first race of the year.
  - M. Collins – If we held it after the race, I won't score the race, because I want to make sure the banquet runs smoothly.
  - J. Amey – Another option is we bring them to the races, hand out and tell them thanks and then do a big banquet at end of 2021?
  - D. Martin – Maybe we could still get a small tent and backdrop, nice pics, have them file in one family at a time, and do it throughout.
  - M. Collins – To talk about the financial part of the banquet, the cost of the banquet is the trophies, the cost of Sam's Town is what members pay by food price.
  - K. Livreri – I like Dave's idea, you get a photo with trophy and same background, I don't know what the option would be...hold off? I wouldn't want to wait for the trophy, if we hand half out now what's the point of having a MRAN banquet ride 2 months from now?
  - J. Amey – M. Collins what do you think?
  - G. Ashley – We need to give it to them now, while we can.
  - K. Livreri – Make a video on social media.
  - J. Amey – Do we have enough time to get that to happen or do we try to do it at the Jackrabbit race in Ute?
  - B. Monk – I think we should do it at Jackrabbits.
  - K. Ashley – I think if we do it then, it gives us more time to ensure we can get a backdrop from Metroprint and rental for a tent will be easier to secure with it being closer to Vegas.
  - K. Livreri – I think you're right Kat.
  - J. Amey – I know we had podium boxes, but I can put them together if needed.
  - B. Monk – I think they are in the Jackrabbits trailer.
  - J. Amey – Mill it around, at Gamblers race let's talk about it, email between officers and if we have to vote on it, otherwise it kinda feels like that's what we do.
  - D. Martin – nothing is going to be perfect, it's been a crazy year, but we want to make sure we give them recognition.
- 2021 Officer Shirts –
    - J. Amey – my idea was to have a shirt that just says MRAN officer and your name rather than title or year that way if we stay put and don't move around we keep same shirt/jacket, I know some don't have one. Let's put together something. Where did we get those Jackets from? If I give you sizes right now you can do it?
      - M. Collins – Sure, we can.



- P. Swolensky – Cost for banners/arches, etc.
  - Will get with Marc at Metroprint to get pricing this week.
- P. Swolensky – Cost to update officer email addresses on website – see above
- MRAN trailer – M. Collins - Bringing it Friday.

### Open Discussion

- AMA
  - J. Amey – Because AMA sent out a letter telling us we cannot have devices glued or adhered to our helmets. A lot of riders are talking about it. Do, we,;? keep it status quo or disconnect from AMA?
    - M. Collins – Reached out to Erek Kudla with AMA Deputy Director of Racing regarding helmet modifications, have not received a response.
    - J. Amey – Any other comments?
    - D. Tanguay – I hate to see us lose someone because of no GoPros or AMA.
    - A. Ross – I think it's going to hurt the night series more than anything.
    - J. Wheeler – That's exactly what I was going to say, safety wise, i.e. having lights on their helmet.
    - J. Amey – Is this an AMA deal or insurance deal?
    - M. Collins – Erek Kudla gave me the safety committee contact with AMA for this. I will email insurance cost for a race less AMA.
    - J. Amey – So, do we discuss leaving AMA?
    - M. Collins – I do think we get some riders from other areas, knowing that we have an AMA race.
    - D. Tanguay – I hate to lose entries because we left AMA, the helmet manufacturers don't like any type of modifications.
    - J. Wheeler – It is a struggle for people to pay the extra AMA card, look at MRANN and USRA, they are not AMA and they have pretty good turnouts. We need to know exactly what AMA is going to do.
    - J. Amey – Let's let Coach send the email and make a decision.
    - J. Wheeler – Make it clear at the Gambler's race, and let riders know it needs to be followed until we can get this straightened out.
    - M. Collins – Can we meet next Monday for 30 minutes as a competition committee?
    - J. Amey – Send the email, we'll get the response from the email and then decide if we have to have a meeting.
    - M. Collins – I don't think we should wait until after the race, we need to know before.
    - J. Amey – Send off the email, get your reply back, then shoot an email out to competition committee for meeting next week.



- Garrett Darr – Question, [our clubs has} an over 30 amateur, does he get to run a #1 plate this year (Jason Kennedy)?
  - J. Amey – Wherever he finished, you run the number you earn for the overall division.
  - M. Collins – He gets to run #4V for 2021, or he sticks with his number.

### Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by M. Collins @ 8:33 pm, seconded by Blake Monk.

Next MRAN meeting will be held on Monday February 1, 2021 @ 6:30 pm via Zoom Meeting. Subject to change.