



September 14, 2020 Meeting Minutes  
Sportsman's Cycle

Called to Order by: Roy Ulrich 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>Western Raceway</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Coyotes</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>Jackrabbits</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>Wild Bunch</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Darkside</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>SNDR</b>	<b>1</b>		

Approve Minutes – August minutes approved by Dave Heath and seconded by Kat Ashley @ 6:38 pm.

Officer Reports

- **President – Roy Ulrich:**
  - Last 2 races went off pretty good, think we could have done better with the weather. It was really hot at both. SSTB is probably one of the hottest I've ever been too. Other than that, races went really well. Not a lot of issues that I saw, a couple little issues we will work through those. Both clubs did great putting races on especially with everything going on. I think most everybody enjoyed it.
  - I've had some conversations with guys up north, they really want to have a north versus south again, in the next couple months we will get more info and set up a north versus south in Tonopah next year. They are all on board and if we do north versus south we don't have to do AMA, because north will not do AMA, they absolutely won't. They don't want any part of it. Are we willing to do north versus south, be a fun little race, for bragging rights? Blake had a good idea, a helmet painted for whoever wins it...if we are going to do that everybody needs to show up. Other than that, rest of it is further down that we need to discuss.
  - I talked to J. Amey he doesn't have anything to talk about right now, same with M. Collins he had a meeting in Panaca regarding their race and farmers.
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- **Vice President – Joe Amey:**
  - Not Present
- **Treasurer – Michael Collins:**



- Not Present
- **Desert Referee – Jarrod Wheeler:**
  - I haven't crunched the numbers yet, been pretty busy, definitely next meeting after this coming race, I can give you an update on membership. Everything seems to be going pretty good, made a couple of moves, moved a kid in Lites and Minis. Everything seems to be going pretty good.
  - R. Ulrich - Just to check that is the one with the email that we got that coach forwarded to you?
  - J. Wheeler - I think so, I would have to look.
  - R. Ulrich - we have one that somebody requested a move, wanted to see if it was that one from last week.
  - J. Wheeler - Yep that's the one.
- **Asst. Referee – Greg Ashley:**
  - Nothing right now.
- **Public Relations – Gary Smith:**
  - Talked on Thursday, some different ideas for publicity. Patricia has some good ideas we are going to talk about to roll through it. Might need to see someone to step up with it, overwhelmed with everything going on. May need to think of someone else to take this over.
- **Legislative Officer – Steve Paxton:**
  - Still pretty quiet, real hot as everyone knows. Been in contact with C.R. Gittere. Clark County OHV committee has not been meeting, that's why it's been quiet in what I've been involved in.
  - I've had some interaction with Robert, he sent a message today about grants if anyone wants to start assembling something and put together for a grant and urged should people want to be involved in that arena, knows the time. Deadline is in November. We could put an effort together for a trailhead, or any other ideas from others I am still open to it. Once you get something going it propagates into other things. That's what we've discussed in the past, the next year and next year, etc. I haven't spoken with Ross about the loop trail, he's in Idaho now and I need to get some info from him, since he is residing there and he was getting grant funding and it may fall through, it would be unfortunate, the City of Las Vegas has really benefited if it would come to fruition, up through Pahrump up by Apex around town through Boulder City. I felt that maybe falling apart. Other than that, nothing new, drawing on some activities that are kind of old.



- R. Ulrich – I received this from Bob Adams and I will distribute it to everyone’s presidents.
- G. Ashley - They will pay for tools and equipment as well, so keep that in mind.
- **Scoring – Tori Collins:**
  - **Not Present**
- **Website – Patricia Swolensky:**
  - Will get with Kat when she has a little bit of time to do updates to the website.
  - Am I supposed to add the race report to the website?
    - R. Ulrich - No, that’s just the final report, it will be added to the minutes.
  - I also need a pindrop to add to the Website for [the race location].
    - R. Ulrich – That would be Chris DiPonte or Gene Curry to provide for the turn off the highway, Chris will send over, just a way to get everyone closer.

## Special Reports

- **SSTB Post Race Report –**
  - Kody Livreri – We had 79 big bikes for MRAN, 46 Minis MRAN, overall, we had 307 riders. No injuries, a lot of broke down bikes, needing gas, overall it went well. Pretty good for one of the races getting back. Tried to avoid the first and second week of September. We are getting everything paid out now and we are onto the next one.
- **SNDR Bunch Post Race Report –**
  - Dave Heath - Again our race went off 61 big bikes, 41 minis, 4 blown mini motors, one sick rider. The only complaint, is the pro lines cut out there, there were 8-10 pro lines cut into the track, if a bike is going to make a right turn, they cut off corners, told them trail cams were out on the track, it didn’t seem to stop it. I have been watching MRAN videos and haven’t been able to see who is doing it. Had a talk with BLM the day of the race, I don’t know if she has gone out and looked.
  - R. Ulrich - I have a feeling there will be a little of raking to do. Only way to fix it is, cameras and DNFs. I saw where they cut course, clearly there was the race line and they cut the corners.
  - Don’t have a date for the next race yet.
  - R. Ulrich - Don’t forget about Nelson, when we did the two by two race that was a fun race.
  - D. Heath - The only thing I run into is clubs seem to have their territories.



- R. Ulrich - Here's what I would do, everybody has their territory, next year if they are going to use Mercury then that leaves, Delmar, Nelson, they are not exclusive, we all have a gentlemen's agreement, but if they are not using it that year they are fair game.
- **Bushwackers – Pre Race Report – Chris DiPonte:** We're ready go, getting the course set up, going to be a good weekend. The weather is 40 in the evenings, supposed to cool down and wind blowing a little bit. it's real dusty right now. The high Saturday should be 70 and 15 mph winds, and possible 25% chance of rain on Friday. Loop is 42 miles for big bikes, alt gas at 24 miles, no campfires, propane only. Two laps for AA, Expert, Amateur, 1 lap for Novice. Kids we are doing something different this year, for race 1, 85s we are going to do a 3 lap GP finish, 9.5 miles. Race 2 will be 40 minutes on 1/3 mile, and Race 3, 45 minutes on 2-mile course. Same place as last year, switched it up.
- **Groundshakers – Pre Race Report – Dave Martin:** We are still putting things together, first off having trouble getting a highway crossing. Resubmitted everything to BLM last week, she emailed me back, she said she needed the insurance written in her name not in MRAN or AMA, Coach took care of that. The guy that writes the map had him redo everything for me. I've submitted everything, done everything I can do. If we can't cross the highway it messes things up.  
 The peewees, 50 novices, 50 Am/Exp/65 Nov, those 2 races will be at the Honda trails, no scoring trailer, just a laptop to type scoring in. We haven't made that course yet, it's usually about 1 mile. Race 3 will be the 85 Nov/Ama and Jr. Women and the 65 Experts, and Race 4 will be all Novices, Women and 85 experts. We spoke to women and 85s and they are all for it, they are excited for that, it will be probably be about 35 miles or so, we will have 1 lap, an alt pit. Race 5 [Big Bikes] is close to 45 miles up over canyon with alt pits, hopefully we get the highway crossing.
  - R. Ulrich - Is that all you lack, the highway crossing?
  - D. Martin - I have 2 meetings to attend, to request us racing through town, unfortunately it may be the same thing, pop out and jump back in the creek and back around Rose Park. We got approval to pit around Rose Park, trying to get more roads and alleyways through Caliente. We are adding \$500 to pro purse, \$600 to women's purse, \$50 to 50cc novice, \$50 to overall 50 Exp/Am. Everyone that enters the race gets a shirt, and we went old school with finisher pins. We were out all weekend, the kids race (85 Am) they will do one lap and alt gas, and cutting it down to 1 lap, it's Caliente they will get their money's worth. Big Bikes will be 2 laps for Ama/Exp/Pro. Race 4 is probably 5-8 miles shorter and only 1 lap for them.
  - K. Livreri - Your road crossing, are you in contact with her? Can I assist?



- D. Martin - Spent weekend and today and hopefully I got all the correct stuff. Exact same crossing as last, hired search and rescue she said needed NDOT manning road crossings as well.
- K. Livreri - They had it for the SS 300 and not sure if that's something they changed.
- D. Martin - Had NV barricade guy redraw map with crossing.
- D. Heath - I didn't mention we used Alamo volunteer fire dept and they did a great job for us.
- Greg - Are we using 3-2-1 markings? Seems we got away from that.
- R. Ulrich - So you did 3-2-1? Chris, we did 1- 2- 3... it's been a struggle this year, just be sure to let them know that you did it 1-2-3 at the rider's meeting. I believe SNDR did not either.
- D. Heath - No we didn't we did it the old way.
- **Patricia Swolensky Ideas** - Put presentation together to try and maybe help the riders a little bit, in the beginning of the race, there are some flags, it's the color of the biker plate, it's the start line, you will have the flags to separate the classes, and then follow the color, we can separate the categories. *(See Item 1a)*
  - R. Ulrich – So, basically it's the color of their plates and putting the start flags, so her idea is like they do at national they stick up a color, then you head down that road and buy flags to color coordinate, that's for the start line to help people where they have to go.
  - P. Swolensky - I think we need these, because it's very important, we can have between 8 and 10 sponsors we could double the money we are making the sponsors are making. Just help make it look more professional, can put a presentation together to show their sponsors, need help from Gary putting the letter together, we have 5 sponsors over here and 5 sponsors over here and then the banner, we do the arch one time, and then the banners change every year. This would look like that. Pricing for the [inflatable] arch, it's made out of PVC comes with air blower, with logo prints on both sides, and finish in the middle, the production takes 15 days. They gave me two different options for size. They have 5mx4m and with shipping is \$587, the other option 12 ft x 9 ft \$494 including shipping. Unfortunately, it's too small to ship by sea, not sure if 9' high is high enough, that's the smaller size. So, you look at it between \$494 and \$587, so that's something.
  - R. Ulrich - To give you an idea we looked at it 2 years ago and it was \$3800, that's why you get the price break you get because it is coming from China.
  - P. Swolensky - Finish flags for end with flags, ribbons. We have to give to get, the more we advertise for them, the more we get. The finish flags can be sponsors, like you can have a company, can you do my flag with my company information, then it looks like this. Always have a problem when going to the races, we can have a ½ mile flag off the highway, and welcome to MRAN. People [are] always looking for the little signs. You know when you are racing and you are there, sign, saying you have a check point 300 ft



away from you. We can do flags to separate everything, just another idea, it's a last idea, we don't have to do it all. Signs for welcome to MRAN, do you know, would it be nice to know where we have the flags, like where the little kids are to go, a little start flag for kids, or peewees, then the last one, you know how WORCs has a big gorilla, what about a dirt bike, it's \$128 the way it is, I can try and put the MRAN website on it and try and have it as a MRAN Mascot. To make MRAN a little more of a happy place.

- G. Ashley - We need to buy a bigger generator for all of this
  - R. Ulrich - Email me your thoughts
  - K. Ashley - Who will be setting it up, and would be part of scoring to set up?
  - R. Ulrich - The idea is to get more money to give back to the racers to lighten some of their racing, you seen what she has.
- **2021 Race Dates**
    - Groundshakers – April 3 (Easter weekend)
    - Coyotes – July 31
    - SSTB – September 11
    - Darkside – November 13 possibly (Garret/Scott), we have to be November to be in Laughlin, BLM is still not seeing people face to face, have to send in money, etc., Hump and Bump has an activity November 7, and I don't think we can do October.
- **Officer Nominations**
    - We have to get some happening, I will not be able to next year. Next month is October, vote on everything in December, we need to have it discussed and talk to people. I am out and someone will need to pick up Gary's slot.
- **SSTB Rule Change (*See Item 2a*)**
    - M. Collins (not present)
    - R. Ulrich - My question, can they drop a DNF and do they have to race it? My concern is that they would all drop Coyotes race due to the distance and the terrain.
    - M. Collins (Joined at 7:39 pm) - I talked with Jarrod about this, he's not supportive, because he thinks everyone won't come to his race. I am just trying to throw something out, how can we get riders to stay with us. If you raced all the races and you dropped one, you can say hey you can keep your start and finish points. There's always one race that conflicts with somebody's family things and people miss, but the overall high points rider, still would be what their points were for the year. AA only get to drop their club race, for class championship, like 2-stroke if we had 8 races it would be the best of 7 and if somebody missed a race that would be what they dropped. Not that I have somebody that would benefit, I think WORCs drops, or a double point, that makes it tough, I spoke



with Jarrod. I guess let's get the topic going, let's get it out there, let's talk to our club members, and get out in the pits this weekend and see how people feel.

- R. Ulrich - I would like to have a drop a race, I'm with Jarrod, a lot of them wouldn't go up to Jarrod's. There has to be a way we can do it, that we can't make it to every race, especially when we know they will miss a race, so it doesn't affect coyotes. If you are a club member you sit out your race and you get 30 points at the end of the year and start and finish points all year long, if you are a non-club member you automatically get dropped a race, but you don't get start/finish points and you don't get the 30 points at the end, so a non-club member, now you have to drop one and you still have to drop another race, is dropping the race for the series.
- Greg - Are we talking for the class championship?
- M. Collins - For 85s or 65s, right now it says non-club members must drop a race, but a club member is making 20 points per race for every race, plus 30 at the end.
- Greg - That was to promote people to join a club.
- M. Collins - See or hear people that miss a race, and I think WB there was a WORCs race this year conflicting, if we really ask people let's see what they say.
- K. Livreri - Why don't we make them pay for the race, and you can only drop a race if you DNF.
- J. Wheeler - I am totally against that, because I would pay it online and then not show up, if it's going to happen, I feel they have to be on the starting line to be able to drop it.
- M. Collins - Jarrod and I sit around at times and we get time to visit, and I throw things at him to bounce stuff off. One, because he's raced recently over me, when I was racing there was 60 guys in your class, he's been not negative to me, but the concern, the guys we're going to Ely, we had to change the rule, you had to go all 3 or 4 laps to get a finish or you got DNF. There were no 50% or one lap finishes, they made it tough for their riders. What can we do to help Bushwackers, SSTB, now SNDR, Groundshakers, and Coyotes with the way this goofy year went, if we just ask to get talking, let's talk.
- D. Martin - I know with WORCs you can throw away two if present or not if you show up to every race to they give you extra points for the 2 if you were there.
- M. Collins - You could still get your start and finish points, then you get 20, but if you DNF you get 5.
- B. Monk (Darkside) - The second part of the season, double points for the second part of the season, then the Bushwackers are sitting out because they have to run their race.
- R. Ulrich - Say like Bushwackers or Jarrod, instead of giving them nothing, giving them the 100s, so for their race they all get 100s, so if the Coyotes, they would get 200 and cover them for their loss?
- M. Collins - But then the Gamblers?



- G. Ashley – Then I'd be a Coyote by next week.
- R. Ulrich – Right!
- M. Collins - Then we are punishing the kids earlier in the year, this is what we need to do, we need to talk about and see how everyone feels, but it comes down to us to make the decision. I might pull it out by next meeting, I am always fighting for the end of the year clubs.
- R. Ulrich - I can tell you, Sam Jones, he has one bad race, he's a perfect example, he would gladly stay if he had one race to throw away.
- G. Smith - We have talked about this way, everyone gets a race thrown away in attendance.
- G. Ashley – Absolutely.
- M. Collins - I don't remember.
- G. Ashley – I think if you are able to throw one away you should attend them all.
- M. Collins - Then next meeting, I make a proposal that every club gets to be the first race of the year.
- G. Ashley – I'd like to see how Jarrod will pull that one off.
- B. Monk - Throw your worst away and you double your best finish.
- M. Collins - Just take a class, take the 65s and try it out and maybe from last year.
- R. Ulrich - So you have to race it.
- B. Monk - No you have to start to throw it away.
- M. Collins - Our goal is to get people to attend, but in the long summer months, I'm always thinking about these little kids, like Ethan so he can just sit there, I'm not trying to cater to people that go to other series...I am trying to keep them in the series
- R. Ulrich - Lets toss it around, if you come up with ideas, email them to everyone on the MRAN list, toss them around. Send ideas to everyone that works by next meeting
- K. Livreri - Should we separate the championship, has to complete half?
- M. Collins - When it's a class that isn't that big, and it's someone that completes 4, for end of the year points you have to do at least half the races.
- D. Martin - Another thing WORCs does, yes you can throw away a race, there or not, there was one that we had to attend. For example, there has to be 2 or 3 that aren't options that aren't allowed to be thrown away.
- M. Collins - Let's say we say that for the 2020 season, all of the sudden it's not in Ely could we change it, and say it's this race now?
- M. Collins - What if we do a north south race and it's in Elko for example?
- G. Ashley - So if you say Jarrod's race is the one that have to attend, what is the race that the Coyotes have to attend, that's another aspect?
- K. Ashley - Then whose tracking all that?





- S. Weisheim - What if 100% get to throw one out?
- C. DiPonte - What about a throw away or a miss, but not both?
- R. Ulrich - Our biggest concern is that the Coyotes take the brunt of that.
- M. Collins – Right! I keep yelling at Jarrod, the last 2 years they’ve had amazing races.
- R. Ulrich – I am going there, because half the guys aren’t going, so I got a better chance. Blake can send us that in an email, and Davey [Martin] can you send me what you said?
- M. Collins - Try to make something on paper for this weekend to chit chat and ask the questions, the ones that really chase points, they really out think us, then us making a decision.
  
- **Darrel Swolensky Protest DNF**
  - Darryl Swolensky - I am protesting a DNF at the SSTB race. NHHAs website shows 50+ and 55+ are in the Super Senior class (printout provided from NHHAs site). On the left gray box are NHHAs categories, that’s how it played out with MRAN, they put me in this category as a novice, so I asked the question before the race start, so I said super senior does 1 or 2 loops and coach was over there and coach said 1. So I’m sure Kody Livreri and Jarrod Wheeler heard it, I mentioned how it’s cool to be old. I show up on NHHAs website as one loop if this isn’t accurate then NHHAs needs to remove it from their website.
  - R. Ulrich – Coach or Kody?
  - M. Collins – So, I do remember Darrel asking me, he said super senior in MRAN is 55+, I said one lap, he didn’t ask me where he was it, when the results he finished before the cut off time, so under MRAN, we are unlike any other racer, when we first started the age group in MRAN we only started it at 55+ as Super Senior and they stayed at Novice, two years ago we added Masters and Pioneer. The only reason why Hare and Hound has it on there, they consider anybody 50-59 in the over 50 class, and 50-69 is the masters, and 70 and up is pioneer. So that was the only thing I looked at as scoring, that he came in before the finisher, do I remember that I had the conversation, then I remember him talking to me. He did ask me what super seniors had to complete. I have to go look to find that paper, from the computer aspect, we have a Lites class, we have a 2-stroke class, all the minis we have expert, amateur, novice, they don’t. I have to go change everybody when I bring it over in MotoTally, they come over as expert; Blake probably had the most negative experience as parents and Marc Mras they always put him in the open class when they are racing 2 stroke class, no excuses that’s how the scoring worked. Kody being the race director, SSTB put everything on his shoulders.
  - K. Livreri - It is confusing, NHHAs has Super Senior and 50+, and if you race MRAN and you are in the Super Senior class it is 55+ it’s not laid out. It’s just Super Senior is one lap, I



don't know if it's an error in sign-ups, and I think Mark Tichenor was another 55+ he came in after the time limit and didn't get both loops in. I don't know if Mark got a finish or not.

- D. Swolensky - That is not the issue, it says MRAN and Super Senior are showing this, maybe it needs to get fixed, it's BS that I will get a DNF, when I see this.
- K. Livreri - You did finish for NHHA, but for MRAN it is different
- M. Collins - If you would have asked how many laps am I doing? Then I would have said 2 if you would have told me your class.
- D. Swolensky - I still go back that's...
- M. Collins – It shows MRAN titles, whenever any other association runs a different name.
- K. Livreri - Maybe the best way to look at it, I run 2-stroke, whatever they place me in, it is, I will run for MRAN as my normal class.
- D. Swolensky – That's why I asked the question and got bad information.
- B. Monk - I know where you are coming from, they did Lites the same way, they put a few in open and a few of them in 250 class or 2 stroke class or something like that, none of the bikes were all the same; they need to have a set spot for our MRAN classes.
- K. Livreri - I see MRAN has a Super Senior class, that's 55+, the flyer and all info did not say 50 + does one lap; as a MRAN racer you are not in a new class.
- M. Collins - We only had 5 in the over 50 class, Roy DNF'd, Curtis Moon raced, Marc Tichenor came back after 30 minutes.
- D. Martin - We had this issue with a novice rider, unfortunate it was wrong/right, given out on computer and verbally, sometimes you just have to make a decision based on the rules.
- M. Collins - The live show by Jacob from NHHA talked about that, then I talked about it on FB, explaining everyone except C women and old dudes to do 1 lap.
- K. Livreri - My only concern if we give you a finish back we must do that for others.
- S. Weisheim - Would the club consider giving him a 1 lap finish? I don't think it's up to us, we as a club members. Doesn't he have to pay a fee to appeal it the right way to go about it?
- R. Ulrich - He does I got this answer finalized today, he is willing to protest and pay they were going to keep it as a DNF>
- S. Weisheim - Could they reconsider it, then so be it. I don't know that we as club members need to make that decision tonight, that it's up to club first, then we go from there.
- R. Ulrich - We've already been through that point, they did DNF him, I had a conversation with Darrel and they didn't agree with it and wrote up a report on what happened, and I believe they discussed it and that is the final decision, my last understanding is that.



- G. Ashley - Were MRAN novice riders required to do 2 loops to finish?
- K. Livreri - They were required to do 2 loops except it's a point to point, easy enough except the heat that day. It was 2 different loops, it was only to come through for gas, we are a point to point.
- K. Ashley – I don't see it on the flyer.
- M. Collins – It's a hare and hound, it doesn't have to specify, you have to do both.
- K. Livreri - We have to look at everyone to give a finish (did he do one lap)?
- M. Collins - Right now you are looking at 1-6 people that did one lap, that would show in Mototally, looking at just them that only did one lap.
- K. Livreri - We have to DNF them and update the results, I think we are sticking to the DNF.
- S. Weisheim - What was the time they had to come back out?
- R. Ulrich - He came back in and didn't go back out because he didn't have to come back in.
- M. Collins - You have to look at Krista and Roy that got hurt or bike problems, the rest finished one lap and chose not to go back out.
- R. Ulrich – I need chime in. I think it's a mistake on both sides, I think it's unfortunate we DNF'd they didn't know and at the same time it screws someone on their points chase. I need all clubs to chime in on their thoughts and give me their opinions.
- B. Monk - My opinion is I don't think it's fair, he had it in his head he was supposed to complete 1 lap not 2 so he finished and thought he was done.
- R. Ulrich – So what do you recommend? I say they get a finish.
- J. Wheeler - I totally see both sides of it, and, yes, I was there. I saw Darrel's reaction to only doing 1 loop, I know he had it set in his mind, he asked the question based on NHHA stuff, if he would have said specifically what class for MRAN that would have changed Coach's answer. I don't really want to screw a guy out of a top 3, especially as hard as he has worked to get to number 2 as a novice. I would say 50% points.
- C. DiPonte - I would have to say the same thing, 50%, it probably should be made clearer to people at sign ups. I would have to say, he finished give him 50%.
- R. Ulrich - keep in mind, whatever we decide here, that's part of an SSTB issue, it affects others, we need to how we address the other people, by both parties, so we don't get somebody else to finish so we need to make sure we have something we stand by.
- G. Ashley – We will we have to scrutinize every finisher on 1 lap, 2 lap, none of it's easy.
- D. Heath - I think if they are all 50+ novice and none completed 2nd lap.
- R. Ulrich - There's only two 50 novices, Darrel, and Mark Tichenor, he signed up as an amateur, but was marked as novice.
- M. Collins - That I don't know. Curtis moon is an expert and Robert Bunker.



- D. Heath - Award 50+ novice their points, we are only talking about that one class.
- G. Curry - I agree with Dave Heath what he's saying. If we are dealing with just the one class, then I agree with Dave, you say finish all that was in that class as a novice.
- D. Martin - My opinion, and comment first, this has happened in the past, Aaron Moorehead, they fought it fought it, still got a DNF, they didn't try to ask in the beginning. You've been racing 50 novice all year, should know the difference between Super Senior and over 50, it's a tough call, nothing against SSTB and nothing against Darrel always for the sport and everyone finishing, but should know what class you are racing in and stick with SSTB decision.
- G. Darr – I say we issue 50% they were very vague, I had issues, I did online and had issues.
- S. Paxton - I agree with Dave Heath, the reason being, I experienced confusion with the C rider class that NHHA uses. I go up there and there's always confusion, then afterwards we participants, we kind of have an assumption on how it will work, everything is focused on NHHA. They don't know how to explain it properly they look at it, even as a novice, in '14, fact still remains, you are still competing hard, you did the one lap or 2 laps, you earned it. That's how it should be looked upon, go back and score all them that way, he had an understanding of whatever info that was given him therefore he earned it.
- D. Vasquez - Will this affect all the other classes? Are the results going off one loop?
- G. Ashley - You have couple experts that finished 1 lap and got full finish points
- K. Livreri - That will be amended Greg. It will affect a lot of people actually; it's a point to point.
- G. Smith - All I see is Darrel and Mark Tichenor. We only have 1 novice, Darrel, Mark Tichenor is an amateur.
- M. Collins - My concern is scoring, not as SSTB, will we have to contact everyone? I know that by knowing times, we are giving them all a finish now.
- R. Ulrich - My thought would be no, just 50 class because of the communication issue, because you didn't have a conversation with anyone else regarding what class they finished.
- G. Ashley - Then why did those other people only do 1 lap?
- M. Collins - The ones that have a 1 lap finish, Cory Ayers, he raced over 50, for MRAN he ran 55+. I just took away his second lap, and Megan, those were after the cut off.
- D. Martin - It is not 2 loops.
- D. Vasquez - Just keep it in the 50 class and award him his points.
- G. Ashley - I'm confused right now, there's been so many different avenues.
- R. Ulrich - As of right now, we have 5 people saying give him a finish, 3 saying give him 50%, and 1 DNF and Gary still has to chime in for the Jackrabbits.



- S. Weisheim - In my opinion, I still say the club makes the final decision. The key take away I see from this side, that we as a group, clarifying, to cut out ambiguity so it doesn't occur again, it doesn't affect one person, it's like opening Pandora's box. What I feel we should do may not be congruent, still up to the club.
- R. Ulrich - They DNF'd him, coach said he was DNF'd. Spoke to SSTB race director, he made a second final decision, sent it to the club. He gave me another one this afternoon and, yes, they are sticking to it, we are not meeting in person, that's why we are discussing it now.
- S. Weisheim - If I was in their boots I would probably make the same decision, due to heat and age of rider, and make a special consideration, and just for the 50 class, if we do it we are going to get everyone else, why not me...and we will be back having more discussion.
- G. Ashley - Were there any Masters?
- K. Livreri – We had 3 Super Seniors and at least one Master.
- G. Ashley - I see this is a point to point race, doing 1 lap is really doing the entire thing. I don't see anywhere on the flyer, because really 1 lap is the entire thing. The confusion between coach and whoever I wasn't involved in any of that. I don't think he should be awarded full points, this affects a lot of people, I would lean toward 50% points, because it was half the race. We will have to look at all of them and that's my thought. Would have to make a determination based on each rider that participated.
- G. Smith - This is the stuff that won't bring people back. It should have been handled different on both ends, and you're told that you will do one lap, and no one asks are you quitting. I think you should get a full finish, just because there isn't anyone else in the class, it doesn't take a win away, he did 100% of what he was directed.
- M. Collins – I just remember this wasn't his first National Hare and Hound, which is the reason I asked the question this year.
- K. Livreri - Did you sign up on the MRAN or National Hare and Hound website online? I would be willing to give finish to 50+, however, whatever we do to you have to do for all.
- M. Collins - Out of the 5, Robert Bunker got a finish, Mark Tichenor got a finish, and Curtis Moon is an A class rider.
- K. Livreri - If the real issue is the Super Senior, then Super Senior and NHHA has no Expert or Amateur we have to give all 50+ across the line the same treatment. If he was he a first-time racer I could be more sympathetic, I know there was confusion, he didn't directly say this is my class, how many loops do I do.
- R. Ulrich - I see both sides, he got a Super Senior finish, but I would never have asked that, and I get how you answered it, then you tell them one loop, half the race, etc.



- K. Livreri - I am sympathetic, one thing I guarantee you we will make this more detailed in the future.
- R. Ulrich - Everyone does everything on their part to make sure it all goes off without a hitch. We are trying to do what's right, that's why I am asking everyone for their opinion, I don't know the final answer.
- K. Livreri - Tally your votes up, I would recommend 50% points just to the 50+ class.
- M. Collins - Mark Tichenor, yes, is an amateur, it jumped him from novice from year before, he was novice in NHHAs system. Curtis Moon did not finish a loop, Roy did not finish, the only person we are worrying about is Darrel, because Mark was an amateur, it will be of no affect. Robert Bunker, Curtis Moon and Roy Ulrich and then Tichenor that's our 4th rider and Darrel is our 5th rider in over 50 class. It will just affect the final points if that makes sense, it will only affect points standings for the year.
- R. Ulrich - So what you are saying DQ him because it affects me, just kidding.
- M. Collins - Bunker is at 429, Darrel's at 245 and Roy's at 228 and we have Cort Smith we haven't seen, it's really Robert, Darrel and Roy who will be affected by whatever decision we make.
- R. Ulrich - So it affects Darrel and any other novices that come along.
- M. Collins - Sean Yoder, James Hulligan that's it, there's three people, which have only done one, Darrel's done all the races this year.
- R. Ulrich – So, I have 6 people say finish him, 4 say 50% and 1 DNF, and Kody made the proposal 50% that's the way I would lean because I don't want to override a club.
- D. Swolensky - I didn't think this was that much of a big deal to be honest with you. First of all get that stuff off their website, whatever you decide, that's your gig.
- K. Livreri - It is confusing, we try to do better with this NHHa and MRAN joint race, unfortunately that's the price we pay for getting two organizations together.
- R. Ulrich – This is out of my realm, we'll ask, but now that SSTB has made their change, what is the rest of club's decisions, go with SSTB or do we do a vote to overwrite it?
- D. Martin – We will back whatever the club does, we have to remember as an organization, it's not fair if anyone looks back, or we have a new guy that happens to next year, do this. I hate DNFs, I get it, being the devil's advocate or whatever, there are past and future consequences.
- R. Ulrich – I 110% agree, I am the President, but I don't make the decisions, the clubs make the decision, I just need what the clubs decide.
- B. Monk - Let the club make that decision.
- J. Wheeler - We've all put our feelings out about what happened, hope it will help in the future, we know where we need to work on stuff, I agree 100% it should fall with the club.



- D. Martin - It is gut wrenching as club President to make these types of decisions.
- C. DiPonte - I will agree with the club.
- D. Heath - Still standing with first decision, it's not anybody's fault, it's not on him.
- Garrett – I am with the club.
- G. Curry – I am with the club, our original decision.
- S. Paxton - Original decision.
- D. Martin - Went with the DNF.
- G. Ashley – I am with the club, this may go bonkers in the future
- Roy – The club wins out; if the club wants 50% points then Darrel gets 50% points for his race at SSTB.

### Unfinished Business

- C. DiPonte - Just real quick, the MRAN trailer, do we have to bring it up here [for our race], do we have to go get it?
  - M. Collins – The MRAN trailer is in Pioche and I can run it up there, Wednesday or Thursday morning or whenever.
- S. Weisheim - What will be sent out from Patricia? Maybe we can focus on kids, to bring in younger, like 65s or something, we could do gift certificates etc. and/or through sponsorships to help with that, everybody thinks about it.
- R. Ulrich - That's' the idea of the sponsorship, we have a new 65 coming up nervous and has never raced, and dad wanted to know if he could follow, etc. Dad is excited, guys if we can give him something extra to boost him and keep him coming back. We were talking about how we ask all parent to go on the course and help the riders and how parents are more than welcome to help every kid get up. He said it sounds like something more like a family. Some of this sponsorship money we could give to kids like this to get more out there.
- D. Martin - We give a gift to every little kid that finishes, and we are working with Gary on that.

### Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Blake Monk @ 9:10 pm, seconded by Dave Martin.

Next MRAN meeting will be held on Monday October 12, 2020, 6:30 pm via Zoom Meeting. Subject to change.