



MRAN MEETING MINUTES Oct. 9, 2017

By Justin Wray Posted October 17, 2017 In Uncategorized

Meeting brought to order by: Sean McDaniel @ 7:01pm

ROLL

Bushwackers – 2

Coyotees – 0

Darkside – 0

Gamblers – 2

Groundshakers – 2

Jackrabbits – 1

SSTB – 2

SNDR – 1

Wild Bunch – 2

Yucca Chuckers – 0

September meeting minutes approved by: Roy Ulrich

2nd by: Justin Wray

OFFICER REPORT

President: Sean McDaniel –

It has been pretty quiet.

Talked to SNDR and they want keep it going.

Vice President: Justin Wray –

Thank you for being here. Sorry we had to reschedule but with what happen last Sunday we felt it was fitting.

Treasurer: Coach Collins-

Went over the accounts monies.

We paid for our business license

Treasurer Report approved by Justin Wray, 2nd by Dustin Vasquez

Desert Referee: Shaun Rupp – (Kevin Wilson's email)

Working on points, needs some clarifications.

Cards sold

Bushwackers Desert 9/16/17: Big Bike – 2, mini – 2, 1 day – 24, Total – 28

Jackrabbits GP 9/23/17: Big bike – 1, 2nd division – 3, 1 day – 40, total – 44

Total cards to date: Big bike – 274, mini – 59, 2nd Division – 46, Jr women – 9, 1 day – 212, quad – 12, Non comp – 28 Total – 640

We are up from 2016

Grand Prix Referee: Tony Thurlow –

Not present

Web Site – Justin Wray

We have added a poster on the front page of the web site. OHV registration.

Public Relations – Ashley Ross –

Made \$125 selling shirts at the Bushwackers desert race.

\$350 check presented by the OHV group

Asking clubs to send in some pictures when setting up course so we can promote on social media.

Land Use: Bob Adams –

“We can take hold of our future, or slide down the path of disparity”, borrowing a line from President Trump. We’re better by writing our own plans than reacting to plans proposed by others. This is a good time to plan our future because there so much in the works right now, and we have a favorable federal political climate to do it. NOHVCC (National Off Highway Vehicle Council) has stepped up to help us develop planning strategies and write plans. NOHVCC is funded by companies that manufacture OHVs. NOHVCC meetings Nov. 17 in Pahrump and Nov. 20 in Las Vegas.

Let’s get ready now to make the most of those meetings by working together to write a preliminary TMP.

Travel management plans should start with our inventory of sustainable trails.

Putting a plan together takes a team effort.

Jean Adopt an Area I propose a 50 square mile area where we ride and that avoids the most trashed areas. I emailed the map to all. Got 3 responses back. We can proceed faster by email discussions leading to informal consensus, then come to meetings better to prepared for discussions and make binding decisions. Will the plan I proposed work? But the most important question, will you participate? By division of labor most of us will be looking at 1 or 2 play rides a year looking for and picking up trash. We need 6 to 12 team leaders to step up for 1 to 2 months a year to do light paperwork.

Workshops:

The BLM customer service day at Texas Station October 18

th

. RSVP by October 6

The Nevada Outdoor School is holding classes on volunteer management in Las Vegas, October 3, October 16, November 20, December 11, 2017, & January 22, 2018.

The November NOHVCC meetings posted above.

Want more info, ask.

Public Lands Day clean up this Saturday at Overton Trails and Big Dune.

Scoring – Coach –

An important discussion was held on the point system with clarifications to how it works.

Explaining Club Points: by Coach Collins

I will be using Tuffy and Jamen as my examples.

Every active club member earns 10 pts per start and 20 pts per finish. Race 1 Tuffy finished 1st and earned 25 pts plus 10 pts for starting and 20 pts for finishing. $25 + 10 + 20 = 55$ pts. Jamen finished 4th and earned 18pts plus 10 pts for starting and 20 pts for finishing. $18 + 10 + 20 = 48$ pts

Tuffy DNF'd Round 4, so he only earns the 10 pts for starting

Jamen sits out Round 5 as a Groundshaker and earns 30 pts as an active club member.

Tuffy sits out Round 9 as a Bushwackers and earns 30 pts as an active club member.

Jamen has started and finished the eight races earning 240 points. Tuffy has started eight races for 80 pts and finished seven races for 140 for a total of 220 points

Tuffy has 163 points + 220 start & finish + 30 club points = 416 pts Jamen has 148 points + 240 start & finish + 30 club points = 420 points Last race there is a 4 pt difference.

1st 25, 2nd 22, 3rd 20, 4th 18, 5th 16, 6th 15, 7th 14, 8th 13, etc....

Dropped Race – Experts must drop one race, Amateur drops two races and Novices drop three.

SPECIAL REPORTS

September 16th – Bushwackers post race report – Justin Wray BW president Gene

It was a great turnout and we had no issues. Speed limit radar worked great and people were in general very cooperative.

We had a group of older riders from so cal come up for the day, and the only issue was that they were pitting at their vehicles rather than pit row.

4 recorded injuries.

September 23rd – Jackrabbits post race report – Dave Balvage

Thank you coming out.

133 big bikes, 32 minis

1 injury

Had some new people.

We will be racing quads in 2018

Oct 14th – Wild Bunch Grand Prix pre race report – Mark Mras

Flyer is posted

MX course has changed and used more property

Hope to see you all there

Unfinished Business

2018 tentative race dates

Jan.

6th – Banquet

20th – Gamblers Desert

Feb

10th – Darkside Desert

March

10th – Groundshakers GP

April

7th – Wild Bunch GP

28th – Groundshakers Desert

May

19th – SSTB Desert

June

2nd – Coyotes Desert

9th – Wild Bunch Night

23rd – MRAN Night

July

6th & 7th – Gamblers Night

20th & 21st – Bushwackers Night

Aug

4th – SSTB Night

25th SSTB Desert

Sept.

15th – Bushwackers Desert

22nd – Jackrabbits GP

Oct

27th – Wild Bunch Desert

Nov

10th?/17th? – Darkside Desert

Dec

Rules Submitted and were voted on

Proposed by: Groundshakers

Proposed New Rule:

Riders exceeding the speed limit in the pits will receive the following penalties:

** Note this is on per race basis **

1st infraction – 2 minutes

2nd infraction – 5 minutes

3rd infraction – 10 minutes

4th infraction – disqualification

Purpose of New Rule:

To create a safe environment in the pits

Affected Sections of Rule Book:

Article 5 Section 6 Appendix L

The pitting area must be well marked and safe. It is recommended that the pits be at least 5 feet from the course, of that speed restrictions and no passing rules be used when it is not possible to separate the pits from the racecourse. It is mandatory— subject to disqualification—riders, DO NOT GO BACKWARDS IN THE PITS. The sponsoring club will be responsible for monitoring pit areas and will disqualify violators. Alternate pits that are more than one hundred (100) yards away from the main pit boundaries will not be subject to the above rules unless the sponsoring club deems necessary.

Proposed changes must include the section of the rulebook to which they pertain, and the affect it will have on other rules relative to such change if approved.

Passed

Proposed by: Groundshakers

Proposed New Rule:

When there is a designated race lane and pit lane you must use the pit lane to receive any assistance during the race.

Purpose of New Rule:

To promote safety and keep people off a live race course.

Affected Sections of Rule Book:

Article 5 Section 6 Appendix L

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PASSED

Proposed by: Groundshakers

Proposed New Rule:

Riders not having the required USFS approved spark arrestor will be disqualified from the event.

Purpose of New Rule:

To discourage riders from not using a spark arrestor and lessening the threat of fires.

Affected Sections of Rule Book:

Article 5 Section 19 Appendix G

USFS approved Spark Arrestors will be mandatory on all race vehicles for events held on city, county or public lands. (USFS and BLM). Spark Arrestors ARE NOT mandatory on race vehicles for races of any kind that are held exclusively on private owned lands unless requested by the land owner or the sponsoring club.

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TABLED TILL NOVEMBER

Proposed by: Groundshakers

Proposed New Rule:

AA will start on first banner

Experts will start on second banner

Amateur will start on third banner

Novice will start on fourth banner

Purpose of New Rule:

Clarification as rule doesn't not include the AA class

Affected Sections of Rule Book:

Article 5 Section 20 Appendix B

Experts will start on the first banner, Amateurs on second, and novice on third. Promoting club may have additional starts, but not less than three (3). If the promoting club chooses to have additional starts, (other than mass start by class), the race will be classified as a timed event. Timed events can have live engine starts.

Proposed changes must include the section of the rulebook to which they pertain, and the affect it will have on other rules relative to such change if approved.

PASSED

Proposed by: Groundshakers`

Proposed New Rule:

Any rider/passenger caught not wearing a helmet while vehicle is in motion will be required to report the host clubs president to help with the race clean up for one hour. If this person is a member of the hosting club, they must help with the next scheduled race. `

Purpose of New Rule:

To promote safety

Affected Sections of Rule Book:

Article 5 Section 19 Appendix A

Motorcycle helmets will be worn (protective gear such as shin guards, chest protectors, gloves, are recommended) by both rider and/or passenger anytime the motorcycle is set in motion. Boot (extending above the ankles), goggles, and/or face shield will be worn by all riders.

Proposed changes must include the section of the rulebook to which they pertain, and the affect it will have on other rules relative to such change if approved.

TABLED

Proposed by: Groundshakers

Proposed New Rule:

Once a rider has left the pits to continue on their next lap they will not be allowed to return to the pits for assistance and the return to the race.

Purpose of New Rule:

To promote safety and keep from going backwards on the course to fix bikes.

Affected Sections of Rule Book:

Article 5 Section 9 Appendix E

Riders that break down o race course and do not cross the finish line will be scored as a DNF. (example: rider by passed the minimum lap chute and attempts another lap and breaks down, rider receives DNF). MRAN clubs shall not allow any riders in a specified class/division to continue to race after they have completed their designated laps (example: novice riders designated at riders meeting/flyer to finish race after 1 lap, will not be allowed to continue a second lap for any reason).

Proposed changes must include the section of the rulebook to which they pertain, and the affect it will have on other rules relative to such change if approved.

PASSED

Proposed by: Groundshakers

Proposed New Rule:

Remove current point system as it was not written and submitted per the rule book requirements and reinstate the former point system.

Purpose of New Rule:

To implement the rules and return the point system back to what the riders can easily understand.

Affected Sections of Rule Book:

Article 5 Section 24 and Article 5 Section 9

Proposed changes must include the section of the rulebook to which they pertain, and the affect it will have on other rules relative to such change if approved.

PASSED

Proposed by: Groundshakers

Proposed New Rule:

Event flyers must be posted on www.racemran.com (via website administrator) the day after the race that precedes that clubs race.

Purpose of New Rule:

Allow for adequate time for race promotion also it would allow racers to see the flyer at the same time they are logging onto the website to check the points after a race.

Affected Sections of Rule Book:

Article 5 Section 17 Appendix D

Event fliers for the event must be posted on WWW.Racemran.com (via website administrator) at least fourteen (14) days prior to the event. Failure to comply with these rules will result in a fine of seventy-five (\$75.00) plus five (\$5.00) a day for each day that event flyer are late.

Proposed changes must include the section of the rulebook to which they pertain, and the affect it will have on other rules relative to such change if approved.

PASSED

Proposed by: Groundshakers

Proposed New Rule:

On a dead engine start if a rider has their engine running before the banner drop they will be assessed a 5 min penalty.

Purpose of New Rule:

To help eliminate cheating

To bring consistency to MRAN

Affected Sections of Rule Book:

Article 5 Seciton 20 Appendix A or B

Proposed changes must include the section of the rulebook to which they pertain, and the affect it will have on other rules relative to such change if approved.

PASSED

Proposed by: Groundshakers

Proposed New Rule:

The finish line / checkered flag will be placed before the entrance of the scoring chute.

Purpose of New Rule:

Safety for the race officials, scoring officials and spectators.

Affected Sections of Rule Book:

Article 5 Section 6

Proposed changes must include the section of the rulebook to which they pertain, and the affect it will have on other rules relative to such change if approved.

PASSED

Proposed by: Groundshakers

Proposed New Rule:

Remove the Amateur and novice champions and return to having one champion per division.

Purpose of New Rule:

To make scoring simpler and make the cost of trophies less.

Affected Sections of Rule Book:

Could not find in the rule book

Proposed changes must include the section of the rulebook to which they pertain, and the affect it will have on other rules relative to such change if approved.

PASSED

Proposed by: Groundshakers

Proposed New Rule:

Riders caught outside of the 10 feet rule will be assessed a five minute penalty

Purpose of New Rule:

To discourage course cutting and keep riders on the designated course and discourage free riding that could cause future issues with permitting.

Affected Sections of Rule Book:

Article 5 Section 6 Appendix G and H

An open course usually has no defined side marking. Riding within approximately 10 feet of either side of the marked course is allowed unless defined marking exist (i.e. banners at checks, turns, or hazards). Roads keep trail, ETC, within allowed twenty ten feet maybe be used unless specifically prohibited at the riders meeting. Tighter restrictions can be imposed (especially by the landowner) however, the sponsoring club must announce these restrictions at the riders meeting.

A closed course is a course with defined markings on each side (i.e. banners, hay bales, tires, or edges of roads). Where defined marking do not exist, riders must remain within 10 feet of either side of the marked course. Tighter restrictions can be imposed (especially by the landowner) however the sponsoring club must announce these restrictions at the riders meeting.

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DID NOT PASS

Proposed by: Groundshakers

Proposed New Rule:

We are The Motorcycle Racing Association of Nevada founded by Casey Folks in 1968, with the goal of

bettering the sport through participation. We are a Las Vegas based, non-profit organization of volunteers who

share a common interest in promoting safe desert racing in the southern Nevada and out-lying areas. We realize

that rules need to change from time to time and therefore urge all contestants to become involved with MRAN

and its member clubs to discuss are both legislative and administrative for the good of all concerned.

This committee will accept for consideration all suggestions and/or comments deemed helpful.

Address all

correspondence to MRAN attn. Competition Sub-Committee.

Our Intent and purpose is not to compete with other cycle organization's, but to help organize and cooperate

with clubs to create the best event possible.

BETTER THE SPORT- PARTICIPATE!

Purpose of New Rule:

Designed to clarify and distinguish what MRAN is and what its goals are now for the future.

Affected Sections of Rule Book:

Article 1 Section 0

PASSED

Proposed by: Groundshakers

Proposed New Rule:

The failure of a rider to pass through ALL checkpoints within the race course will be disqualified.

Purpose of New Rule:

To establish consistency in the rules and remove the club discretion that could be construed as favoritism.

Affected Sections of Rule Book:

Article 5 Section 9 Appendix H

The failure to pass through all checkpoints along the course will subject that entry to penalties of up to and including disqualification at the discretion of the sponsoring club.

PASSED

15. Proposed by: Groundshakers

Proposed New Rule:

Riders may not receive outside help from anyone other than a Race Official or a registered race participant who has not finished their race.

This includes retrievals of inoperable race vehicles.

Purpose of New Rule:

To promote safety and keep everyone off a live race course aside from registered race participants and race officials.

Affected Sections of Rule Book:

Article 5 Section 1 Appendix C

No one except registered participants and race officials shall ride on a course until the

completion of the event. Race officials shall yield to all race traffic, except for an emergency. Race officials shall remove or cover all competition numbers on their motorcycle to distinguish them as a race official.

Passed

Rules change submitted by Bob Adams

Proposed by: Robert Adams

Proposed New Rule: AGENDA POSTING DEADLINE. Please read text from Rule Book below. RED is proposed deleted language. BLUE is proposed language additions/changes.

From Article 2, Section 2.

PRESIDENT:

Oversee day to day operations of MRAN Business.

Monthly Meeting Agendas; organize and run the Monthly MRAN Meetings.

2a. Meeting agendas must be posted on the MRAN website a minimum of 5 days before the next meeting, i.e., posted by 7pm the Wednesday before a 7pm meeting next Monday. To be worked out; could President post directly to website -v- timeline for handoff to Web Administrator.

2b. No action can be taken on items not on the posted agenda, or on any items if the agenda is not posted before the deadline.

Call special meetings if needed. Etc

Cast Tie breaker vote. (See rule book).

Collect list at the beginning of the season of all Clubs' voting members (2) and alternates (2).

Conduct MRAN Business with Public Entities and Private Business's. Maintain these relations.

Assist Card-Holding Members/Member clubs with any problem that may occur during the race season.

Coordinate with other racing organizations to prevent scheduling conflicts and promote joint ventures if possible.

Represent MRAN at Official Land Use Meetings

RC, Agenda Posting Deadline 170925

Represent MRAN Clubs regarding permit issues at the BLM office in the Clubs absence.

Organize Year End Awards Banquet.

Promote teamwork and maintain sportsmanship with their fellow officers by working together

Lead by example while in the public of MRAN Clubs, Members and Riders to promote sportsmanship throughout.

Purpose of New Rule: Representative government works only when citizens know what's being decided before it's decided. MRAN's Competition Committee is MRAN's representative government. Posting agendas Wednesday evening gives all members time to download and read before the rush out the door Friday. By meeting information being distributed well before the meeting, committee members come to the meeting prepared for discussions.

Affected Sections of Rule Book: Art. 2, Sec. 2., 2017 MRAN Rule Book V2

Proposed changes must include the section of the rulebook to which they pertain, and the affect it will have on other rules

relative to such change if approved.

PASSED

Rule Change submitted by Dustin Vasquez

Proposed by: Dustin Vasquez

Proposed New Rule: Night Race Series only, the length of races be determined by length of time rather than number of laps completed by the leader

Purpose of New Rule: When using number of laps completed by the leader as finish of race, the finish may occur with time remaining to complete another lap(s).

Affected Sections of Rule Book Art. 6, RACE SETUP/LOGISTICS, PARAGRAPH 3

Proposed changes must include the section of the rulebook to which they pertain, and the affect it will have on other rules relative to such change if approved.

DID NOT PASS

New Business

For Novembers meeting clubs please bring 2017 Sportsman of the Year Nominees & 2018 MRAN Officer Nominees.

Motion to Adjourn the October 2017 MRAN Meeting by: Sean McDaniel

2nd by: Steve Paxton @10:28pm

Next MRAN Meeting on October 2, 2017 @ 7:00pm

Sierra Gold, 6515 S. Jones Blvd., Las Vegas, Nevada 89118.

Upstairs in meeting room.