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March Birthdays

Bill Ford 79!!!

Wayne 52

Bill Fain 49

Sean 44

Ryan 26

From the Prez

The cross country spring season is half over and the Dots have had some good turnouts and finishes. Can you believe we had 14 riders with the conditions at E-Street? Ryan, Wayne and Mark even made the podium there. Our Ride of the Month for March is another cc at the Phantom in Hollister. I hope the weather tapers off a little like it did for the Old Crow last weekend. And I have a suspicion that another cc will make the ROM in April too – VC?

We're on track for both the enduros this season. Curt has the permit turned in to Ranger Mike for the Family and the flyer approved and off to Jill for the next District Newsletter. The 5-Year proposal has just been turned in to Ranger Ron for the 49er and we'll see what happens next for it.

Hotshoe Mark has the early 1x lead but we're still 4 months away from the mid-season District break and anything can happen between now and December, just ask Cliff!

Finally, see Curt's LAO information about the youth bike ban. It's for real. All the manufacturers have taken all bikes under 85cc off the internet. And you can't even buy parts for these bikes in the shops. The AMA is supposedly working to get the bill modified but for now I hope you guys with 65's and 50's don't break any parts.

See you at the races!

Bret

On the LAO Front by Curt

A major threat to youth motorcycles, banning bikes and accessories 85cc and smaller. Here's some info from the AMA website:

Stop the Ban of Youth Motorcycles and ATVs!

Write your Representatives and the Consumer Product Safety Commission Today!

On August 14th, 2008, Congress passed the Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act of 2008 (CPSIA). Intended to make children's everyday toys safer, the rule governing implementation of the act threatens to end youth off-highway vehicle (OHV) riding entirely.

According to section 101(a) of the enacted legislation, all youth products containing lead must have less than 600 parts per million (ppm) by weight. The Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) has interpreted the law to apply to various components of youth OHVs including the engine, brakes, suspension, battery and other mechanical parts. Even though the lead levels in these parts are small, they are still above the minimum threshold.

2009 1x
Standings
 As of Feb 27th
 (Through E-Street)

| <u>POINTS</u> | <u>Name</u> |
|---------------|-------------|
| 109 | 48x Mark |
| 86 | 17x Chris |
| 66 | 39x Rick |
| 65 | 16x Ryan |
| 63 | 50x Rob |
| 62 | 28x Rich |
| 54 | 42x Wayne |
| 48 | 34x Tom |
| 46 | 10x Bret |
| 44 | 35x Joe |
| 44 | 25x Jim |
| 44 | 31x Cliff |
| 32 | 12x Jim |
| 30 | 27x Ernie |
| 30 | 13x Limey |
| 28 | 14x Bill |
| 28 | 21x Hayden |
| 24 | 20x Dave |
| 20 | 22x Bruce |
| 12 | 26x Mike |
| 10 | 45x Dean |
| 8 | 15x Curt |

An automated letter generator can be found at:
<http://www.amadirectlink.com/legisltn/rapidresponse.asp>

Curt

2009 Meeting Schedule

1st Tuesday of every month, 7:30 pm at Coco's Restaurant at Greenback and Sunrise. (Bench racing starts at 7:00pm)

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|------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| January 6 th 2009 | February 3 rd 2009 | March 3 rd 2009 | April 7 th 2009 |
| May 5 th 2009 | June 2 nd 2009 | July 7 th 2009 | August 4 th 2009 |
| Sept. 8 th 2009 | October 6 th 2009 | Nov. 3 rd 2009 | Dec. 1 st 2009 |

March and April Events

| Date | Event | Location |
|---------|---|-------------------|
| 3/22 | Phantom HS RIDE OF THE MONTH | Hollister SVRA |
| 3/29 | Toulon 2-Step HS | Toulon, NV |
| 4/4 | Crosscut Family Enduro | Cow Mountain OHV |
| 4/5 | Sawmill Enduro | Cow Mountain OHV |
| 4/19 | Outlaw HS | Cow Mountain OHV |
| 4/25-26 | Virginia City GP APRIL RIDE OF THE MONTH? | Virginia City, NV |

February Ride Report

We had a few brave souls make the southern trek to Coalinga to ride Salinas Ramblers "Picacho Creek HS". The Ramblers have a reputation for a tough course and this year was no different based on the message board comments. Rob, Rick and probate Brent toughed out the drive and race this year.

Next up in February was our Ride of the Month event at the E Street HS. We had a good showing for the ROM with 14 Dots racing. Not sure how many pitters braved the weather. I heard reports of tank deep waterholes and ruts well past the footpegs. Cliff posted some great video clips that made me wish I had of been there. Ryan and Wayne went 2-3 in the Vintage Blue Plate while Mark was our other member with a top finish. Keep up those good finishes and you'll be a B rider by the end of the year!

Picacho Creek Results:

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|-------------|------------------|----------|
| Rob Baker | 10 th | A Vet |
| Rick Parker | 11 th | A Senior |
| Brent Lyman | 16 th | B Vet |

E-Street Results:

| | | |
|----------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Ryan Musherush | 2 nd | Vintage Blue Plate |
| Wayne Halozan | 3 rd | Vintage Blue Plate |
| Mark Tustin | 3 rd | C Senior Plus |
| Chris Worth | 7 th | C Vet Plus |
| Rick Parker | 7 th | A Senior |
| Steve DeMartin | 7 th | C Senior Plus |
| Cliff Gormley | 9 th | C Senior Plus |
| Rob Baker | 10 th | A Vet |
| Joe Dowd | 10 th | C Vet |
| Ernie Florez | 13 th | B Senior |
| Hayden Florez | 16 th | B 250 |
| Brent Lyman | 17 th | B Vet |
| Tom Pocus | 18 th | C Open |
| Rich Solis | 20 th | C Vet Plus |