AMA District 11 Meeting Minutes March 31, 2009 at Lancaster, Ohio, Moose Lodge

Vice President Dan Knecht called the meeting to order at 8:09 pm.

The attendance list was circulated. Sixteen members were present:

Joe Collins	Treasurer	Dan Knecht	Vice Pres. VP Off Road Cong
Sibyl Hunter	Hare Scramble	Shay Allent	
Dennis Deeter	Road Congress	Ruth Hughes	Pioneer Hill Climb Chair
Bill Barnes	MX Chair	Bill Kaeppner	BDA, Congressman
Bob Durrstein	Secretary	Conrad Wesselhoeft	Five Brothers Racing
Brad Smith	COCR, Dist Rep	Shawna Rickley	Fast Traxx Promotions LLC
Henry T. Swartz	Reno Raceway	Art Pickelheimer	Dirt Track
Jayne Chrystal	NewsLtr Sales	Mary Hamilton	Road Congress

The Minutes of the February 24, 2009 meeting were read and approved with corrections.

Treasurer's Report: Joe Collins. See Treasurer's sheet. The second quarter is when most members sign up. The audit review committee members are needed to perform the audit before the next meeting. Members are Joe Collins, Dennis Deeter, Mary Hamilton, and Dan Knecht. The audit was scheduled for 7 pm April 14th at Joe's house.

COMMITTEES

Road Riding: Mary Hamilton. Not much activity lately.

Hill Climb: Ruth Hughes. Banquet attended by 100 with a nice menu. All enjoyed.

Moto Cross: Bill. Last Sunday's opener at COCR with 91 for the enduro. Attendance off a bit due to rain and a muddy track. The smaller classed could not make a lap due to the mud.

Hare Scramble: Sibyl Hunter. Wildwood had good attendance. Event operators need to check for District 11 cards. Ken asked about protest time when the rider is in the next class. Rule is ½ hour after results are posted and the rider must be the one protesting although an adult may help. AN email was received about rule where veterans should not be permitted to run as amateurs. Discussion. Use protests if needed. Issue centers on older riders from pro classes running as amateurs in age classes. Old history is available in the January newsletter. Athens had 168 riders and Hocking Valley 190.

GP: April 19 first event at Wildwood. The hour format seems well liked.

Newsletter: Jayne Chrystal. The printer did hold back bulk shipments for 7 days on the current issue to allow mailed copies to be received first.

Website: Bill Barnes The software used I older and does not resize for different viewer screens. He would like to have new software template vs. the Expression now used. About \$80 to \$100 for new software. He is learning the software for COCR on their web site. About 30 hours work to revise District 11 web site after he is caught up elsewhere.

Congress Report: Mary Hamilton. Nothing yet.

ATV: There was a conference of officials in Texas last week. U. S. Congress just closed two million acres. The lead issue has led to protests at the CPSC (Consumer Product Safety Commission) offices. Members are encouraged to have their local leaders and persons write to agencies and Congress. Government officials signed a bill raising the three year ORV (Off Road Vehicle) permits from \$8 to \$31. The funds are to be used to maintain and expand areas. RPT \$ expire in 2010 and efforts to renew are starting.

Dirt Track: Art Pickelheimer reports that there are two races in June. Nationals are being canceled around the country. Greeneville canceled as Eldora is having a big money race on the same night. Mary asked about the status of Scioto Downs. What is the status of the web page about District 11 champions? The existing track races stay independent to avoid District 11 fees.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mary Hamilton was concerned about editing of articles submitted for publication. Discussion. The Newsletter needs articles.

Joe Collins noted that the Newsletter Committee met. An analysis of costs shows a page costs about \$180. Ads are \$200 for a full page which is a loss of about \$30 after costs and commissions. New rates proposed to get costs covered. Discussion about the 50 mile separation in advertising events conflicting with District 11 sanctioned events. MOTION by Dennis Deeter to set the limit at 150 miles. MOTION DIED for lack of a second. MOTION by Joe Collins to set distance to 50 miles. SECOND by Bill Kaeppner. Motion passed by a vote of 6 for and 5 against. MOTION by Joe Collins to set new advertising rates as presented to the meeting. SECOND by Bill Kaeppner. Motion passed by a vote of 6 for and 5 against. The rates are to be in effect for all new orders. The rates and distance rule will be the responsibility of the person selling the advertisement.

MOTION to adjourn by Dennis Deeter. SECOND by Joe Collins. Motion passed by voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 9:57 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Durrstein

C PETITIONS:

Approved: Chris Long Jr.
Denied: Andrew Boner