

April Minutes 2011

Jon Thomas called the meeting to order shortly after 7:00pm. Andy informed the club that a checking account has been set up for Hop/Ev with a \$5,000 balance. Lynn Anthony will maintain the account with Brian Harjula having access to the funds to purchase materials and equipment rental for the park. The state's Grant and Aid program will reimburse all monies used for the upkeep of the park. He also noted the club has a Balance of \$15,500 but cost of putting on the Rocky Mountain Weekend is approximately \$10,000. The proceeds for the Rocky will cover the \$10,000 outlay plus return a profit. The timing between work done at Hop/Ev, State reimbursement and The Rocky is very important. The Classic is a fund raising event for CF and MVTR is reimbursed for expenses only, The Rocky is our lone fundraiser.

Hop/EV; Kevin Boothroyd and John have created a GPS map of Hop-Ev that will be used for maintenance and by local police and fire/rescue departments. Kevin stated that the bridges and the new signage would be added to the map when work at the park begins. Brain does not expect any of the major projects to start before May 23rd. John Mesick and Brain sent our request for new signage to the State. Bill Gegas has been promoted and will no longer be involved at Hop/Ev.

The Classic; Mark Stock, Jeff Barr and Jay Lees reported on their needs for the Classic which include: The need to get pledges in lieu of the registration fee, banquet tickets, check the BBR route with Jeff, riders and general help for Jay and the Kid's Classic. JD Mott and Chip Fredette will begin scouting the northern and southern routes next week; there is still a foot of snow in the woods making it impossible to get out any sooner. Al Tucker reported that Lucien Soucy (loudog72@hotmail.com) would take over the responsibility of coordinating the pre-riders and sweeps for the Classic. Chip has turned in the Rally Permits for review. A section of trail the Classic uses on a class 6 road in Belmont will remain open, a local resident attempted to have the town close it.

J-Day There will be a J-day off-road race held in Chester NH on August 7th. The 2½-mile loop is on a horse farm that Cody Anthony has been employed at for 2 years. Cody was instrumental getting the event principles together. More information about the event is at www.jdayoffroad.com. Andy said if all goes well the owner of a 300-acre parcel that abuts the horse farm may be open to allowing similar events held on his property. Tuck wanted to know if he could do a practice lap. (Maybe that's his secret). Several members reported on The Spring Challenge, most said it the best course in years, it missed the big rock gardens and deep water of previous years. Al Tucker finished 31 out of 151 C riders and first in the Masters Division. Tom's race didn't go quite as well, Tuck is still waiting for him to finish.

Membership; Art said some active members are late in renewing membership and asked that they please send the renewal form in. If the back of the newsletter is highlighted your dues are due.

NHOVA: Tom is now on the Board of Directors. The club is looking for a MVTR member to replace Tom on the board.

There was a discussion regarding promotion points for women in the NETRA H/S series. Scott (bighead85) was not sure if the woman racing counted in the promotion point calculations for C class riders. After much discussion and referring to the NETRA rules it was concluded that the woman's class is the same as the Super Senior and Masters Classes. There are no promotion points awarded in those classes, if a female racer wanted to move up she would have to compete in one of the displacement classes. The specialty classes Women's, Super Senior and Masters should not be counted in the promotion point formula.

Al told the membership a few Seacoast Trail Riders are headed to the Hatfield McCoy riding area in West Virginia. Anybody interested in joining them can contact Peter Anania <http://www.SeacoastTours.net> or ANANIA on NEDB.

Duane Call is starting an off-road racing series The New England Grand Prix with three events scheduled. The races will be a mix of motocross, enduro and cross-country they will be held at MX 101 in Epping NH on May 22, May 29 and June 26. Contact Duane for more information 603-483-5405 or ldgcall@comcast.net.