

7 July 2010

July MVTR Meeting

With the ad-hoc Rocky Weekend Committee running over on time the regular MVTR monthly meeting began late at 20:30. First up was a viewing of part of the New England Classic Charity Trail Ride video (part because the second half of the copy I made did not want to track well). At 20:48 with NO pizza yet in sight (who was supposed to order that) we moved on to the meeting with a Thank You to all involved and a recount of the Classic weekend with some insight toward next year's event.

John our retiring Northern Loop Trail Boss told us that the Speedway is working toward once again being an integral part of Bike Week. Included in that will be an upgrading of the New England Classic (Road Race) and integrating our Charity Trail Ride into the mix once again. We are scheduled to be at NHMS on 10, 11 & 12 June 2011 (you can mark your calendars now!), this means that we will once again be Opening Bike Week and will be sharing the Speedway with the New England Classic Road Race. Other changes will no doubt take place, we may not be quartered in the same parking lot(s), etc. but those who used to enjoy coming up to NH for a whole week of MC related fun will be able to once again

In summation of 2010s event we hosted 550 riders, who raised in excess of \$110,000 to continue the fight to make CF stand for Cure Found! Pilgrim Sands Trail Riders who earmark several of their yearly events toward this goal was again the highest fund raising visiting club, Thank You!

He also stated that outfitting our Course Marshals with orange vests helped them get recognized when they were out at some of the Danger, Slow and Two-Way Traffic locations. We did nonetheless still have a number of complaints from residents on Class 6 roads about SOME riders using excess speed near their homes. Please keep in mind that just because YOU don't live there does not mean that no one does, we need a lot of public cooperation to keep holding this event. As I heard John say at the Riders Meeting You do not want to be the one that screws this up for everyone else!

Jim, Kirk, Dave and Shawn were among the riders who partook in the Tuesday After club ride hosted out of Henniker (Thanks Jim). All said it was a nice day of trail riding including some new sections and that it was followed up with a great BBQ.

Jericho Mountain will be home to the 2010 OHRV weekend on 10 & 11 July 2010. Publicity is reported as being spotty (unless you are a regular Union Leader reader?) in this part of the State. Much of what is planned is centered around 4 wheelers but there is a dual-sport ride from there as well. More information on the weekend [here!](#)

The single track project for the park is still in progress, the first leg had to be approved by 4 different agencies but this is done and clearing IS progressing. It won't be ready by the weekend but it will happen.

Hop-Ev work is continuing, the BT trail is now open with a couple of temporary go-arounds due to the forestry/salvage logging not having been completed. Matt will be heading up a two-day work party there on 17 & 18 July 2010. The big obstacle remaining to having all of the trails open is the resurrection and rehabilitation of the River Loop suspension bridge. The weekend plan is to retrieve the sections from wherever they floated to and get them repositioned on the cables, at that point new guardrails can be constructed. If all goes well, lots of people show up and that work gets completed early there are no doubt a few other spots out there that could use attention. The starting time for each day was unsure at meeting time, a guesstimate of 0900 was offered up subject to revision if needed.

RIDING continues! Tuck told us that once again he has noted that it is better to be lucky than good, at the last enduro his computer died, then his route sheet holder came apart, despite it all with luck and some swag (from the long range shooting world - scientific wild assed guess) (s) he zero'd a check and was able to reach his goal for the season by beating Mike in an event. Enduros will see the Rocktoberfest (with its 60 mph Erzburg section?) and the Mudslinger coming up. Don't forget that the Seacoast Trail Riders are holding the Noble Woods National Enduro next month on the 22nd. In Hare Scrambles there are many trips to CT for the Connecticut State, Salmon Run and Indian Ridge events. The Dual-Sport/Turkey Run crowd can head to Rhode Island for the Thrill n Chill next weekend (17th & 18th).

For more riding opportunity there are the John Day Series and the NECC Series (where Duane (our resident sandbagger according to our President NO not the one in Washington, the one we like!) over all'd the last event.

Several tracks are open for MX practice as well; MX 207, Canaan, MX 101 and the Lodge @ Belmont were mentioned.

The last two Wednesdays have seen between 8 and 15 club members showing up to ride at Hop-Ev. The participants have literally ranged from 6 to 60+, with riding generally getting underway at about 17:00.

Rocky Mountain Weekend is fast approaching! Mark your calendar for 7 & 8 August 2010 so that you don't miss out. Saturday will feature the Junior Enduros Minis, Girls & Big Wheels start @ 0900, the Jrs & Women @12:00 then the Pee Wee 4 & 5 Scrambles go off @14:00 followed by the 1s, 2s & 3s @ 15:30. This will be followed in the evening with videos of events from near and far. Sunday sees the Minis, Girls & Big Wheels head out @ 09:00, The Novices, SS & Women start @11:00 then the Amateurs & Experts leave the line @ 14:00. A core of volunteers is in place but many more are needed, some signed up at the meeting but if you missed that opportunity please contact [The Anthony's](#), [Shawn Levesque](#) or [Tom Levesque](#). There will be a Rocky Work Party held on 31 July & 1 August 2010 to get the last of the trail work finished (hopefully) for the