



MVTR NEWS

January Issue

2002

Next Meetings:

January 2nd, 2002 &
February 6th, 2002

Where:

Freedom Cycle.
Concord, NH

Time:

7:00P.M. - 9:00P.M.
Bench Racing & Pizza
6:00P.M. - 7:00P.M.
(Pizza 6:45)

Membership Dues:

MVTR dues are \$15.00
a year for an individual.

Family dues are \$25.00
(parents and children
under 18).

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submitting information
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for one month. You
will need to resubmit
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want it to run again.

**NOTICE: The next
newsletter will be a
combined February
and March issue.**

Test Your Skills At The January Meeting

Club challenge: Think you can change a tire fast??? Show us your skills against the clock, and the rest of the club, Fastest time wins the pot!!

Also: The wrist buster,

test your forearm strength, not as easy as you think!

Join Bob Landry in Carburetion 101, learn the basics of jetting your bikes carburetor, with emphasis on the new generation

carbs on 4-strokes. Also check with Bob for his next winter riding date. Or anyone interested can call him @ 603-434-3701. He will also be trying Winter Night Riding.

EPA To Adopt California Streetbike Emission Standards

AMA Press Release

PICKERINGTON, Ohio — New road motorcycles sold nationwide will be required to meet strict emissions standards set by the state of California beginning in 2006 under rules being proposed by the federal Environmental Protection Agency, the American Motorcyclist Association (AMA) reports.

While the EPA hasn't released its final proposal for public comment, a draft proposal obtained by the AMA shows the EPA wants to adopt a two-tier standard already approved in California on a delayed basis.

The first tier of California standards will go into effect in 2004, with the second tier scheduled for 2008. The federal EPA is proposing to adopt the same standards but on a

two-year delay, meaning tier one would take effect in 2006 and tier two in 2010.

Road motorcycles built before the 2006 model year would be unaffected by the new regulations and would remain legal to ride.

If adopted, the new federal emissions regulations are expected to result in an increased use of fuel injection and catalytic converters on new motor-

cycles.

Some current motorcycles sold nationwide already meet California's strict 2008 standard. Honda's 2002 Gold Wing, for example, meets the California standard with the use of an emissions control system that includes fuel injection and a three-way exhaust catalyzer to reduce emissions of hydrocarbons, nitrogen oxides and carbon monoxide. Continued on page 2

MVTR 2002 NETRA EVENTS

The MVTR has a full schedule for the 2002 season. The Classic Charity ride is scheduled for June 8th & 9th. A Hare Scramble is scheduled for July 28th. location to be de-

termined. Also on October 13th an Enduro in the Rocky Mt area. Rumor has it that a second Hare Scramble may also be added to the schedule at the end of the season.

EPA Emission Standards Cont.

Besides tightening existing standards for street motorcycles, the EPA had suggested that the new rules might include requirements for specific components on motorcycles to meet the regulations, as well as stricter "anti-tampering" regulations, which could prohibit certain modifications to motorcycles.

The AMA asked federal officials to refrain from establishing such a list of technologies that manufacturers must use in making cleaner motorcycles. Instead, the Association recommended setting performance-based standards that would allow manufacturers the maxi-

mum amount of innovation in reducing emissions.

The advance copy of the proposed emissions regulations indicates that the EPA has taken that approach, leaving it up to the manufacturers to figure out how to meet the standards. The agency also provided an exemption for small manufacturers who may not have the resources to do the research and development needed to meet the proposed new national emissions standards. Under that exemption, motorcycle manufacturers with sales of fewer than 3,000 bikes a year, and having fewer than 500 employees, would have until the 2008 model year to meet the tier

one national emissions standard. Those manufacturers wouldn't be required to meet the tougher tier two standards.

New motorcycles sold in California beginning with the 2004 model year must emit no more than 1.4 grams per kilometer of hydrocarbons and nitrogen oxides, and 12 grams per kilometer of carbon monoxide. The proposed federal standard would be the same, but would go into effect in 2006.

The California standard gets tougher in 2008, with a limit of 0.8 grams per kilometer of hydrocarbons and nitrogen oxides and 12 grams per ki-

lometer of carbon monoxide. The proposed federal standard would be the same, but would go into effect in 2010.

Currently, the federal emissions standards for on-road motorcycles are 5.0 grams per kilometer of hydrocarbons and 12 grams per kilometer of carbon monoxide.

Meanwhile, the EPA is also in the process of finalizing emissions standards for off-road motorcycles and all-terrain vehicles.

For more information, go to the AMA's website at: www.AMADirectlink.com

December Meeting Notes

The President opened the meeting at 7 PM, December 5th. The Treasurer received the final check, for \$3,000, from the State for trail work at Hop Ev. There is still about \$2,000 of grant money left in the grant but no more work projects scheduled for the remainder of this year.

Following the Treasurers report, there was a proposal that MVTR back off on Trail work at Hop Ev. Some argued that ATV's do most of the land damage but do very little to support MVTR in rebuilding the trails. By unanimous

vote, it was finally concluded that MVTR will continue to lead the trail work at Hop Ev but will do a better job of recruiting workers from the ATV clubs.

Rick Claxton and Mike Nash attended the November NETRA sanctioning meeting representing MVTR. We received dates of October 13th to host an Enduro in the Rocky Mt area and July 28th for a Hare Scramble, location to be determined.

The Classic Charity ride is scheduled for June 8th & 9th. The Charity ride

has a clear date with no conflict. The Enduro usually scheduled for the same weekend has been moved to a new date. There are 11 Enduros scheduled for 2002 and 15 Hare Scrambles. NETRA is considering the possibility of holding an ISDE type ride during 2002.

House Bill 717 is likely to double the fees for OHRV tags. The extra

money will go to F & G to police off road riders. The House Bill may also require that riders belong to a club.

The meeting concluded with a thorough presentation by Bob Landry on winter riding. Bob covered safety, proper equipment including studs, clothing, frostbite, where and when to ride, and tips on winter riding technique.

For Sale

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Deadline for submitting tickets to Michelle is January 15, 2002.

For more tickets call Michelle or Doug at 603-225-9433



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