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BREEDING CHAMPIONS SINCE 1950

FOR WHOM THE BELL TOLLS!!!



Dirt Diggers M/C
Taft Ca
Feb 4th- 5th 2017

Story by Ling
Photos by Mark Kariya

First we want to congratulate the Dirt Diggers for another 1st class Grand Prix. The numbers so far this year have been staggering. We are up in both event we had this year and that is a testament to the time and effort the clubs are putting into these races. Dirt diggers is the TRUTH!!!

Zach Bell (100) is filling in for past Big 6 Champion **Colton Udall** on the AMERICAN HONDA/ MONSTER ENERGY/ MSR/ LAVAPROPANE/ OX-MOTORSPORTS Race team. Zach is here to keep things rolling until Udall is ready to ride... Well, 2 races in and a just off the podium first race at Adelanto and now a convincing win here in Taft, this guy is better than advertised.





Above: **Zach Bell** got out to a good start following the 777 Fast House Honda of **Blayne Thompson**. As you can see here in the photo, all of the big hitters were on the gas and swinging.

Left: **Robby Bell** about to grab another hand full of the Kawasaki on his way up the ladder from a 5th place start to a 2nd place finish.

Below: Rounding out the podium was **Michael Delfante** on the 1000 OAKS POWER, MAXXIS, MSR, 2XU, SIDI, FMF, BELL, GPR Yamaha. Michael got into the back pocket Robby Bell and moved from 6th to 3rd at the end.





Justin Seeds piloted his Kawasaki to another strong finish starting from 9th and picking his way through the traffic. Well-deserved 4th.



Mark "Slamlife" Samuels completed the top 5 on his AMERICAN HONDA/ MONSTER ENERGY/ MSR/ LAVAPROPANE/ OX-MOTORSPORTS Honda CRF450X.



Brandy Richards over-alled the first race of the day. She put her Yamaha up front early and stayed there till the end.



Gordon Ward is doing work on the JBC, HI-POINT, MOTO MAN DIST. Yamaha. He swept all three of the age classes at Adelanto and came to Taft ready to do it again. He want 1st in Vet and Mag on Saturday and completed the task with a 1st on Sunday in the Senior race. So for those of you keeping score, he is 6 for 6 this year. With Glen Helen coming up, you wonder if he can keep the hammer down. That is a track that tends to have its own heros show up and compete. Will he have enough in the tank to keep this streak alive? He is doing something magical and I can't wait to see it continue.



Jett Lessing on the MALCOMSMITH, TROYLEE, 6D, NOST, LEATT, LASLEEVE, AHRACING KTM was fastest in the WCGP Junior race.



Kenny Johnson Jr. Got the win in the WCGP Nov/ Beg race on Saturday. He looks like he is cool with being up front!



Hayden Blaise took the Husky to the win in the Super Mini Advance



Beau Baron continues to dominate the 4-wheel class with yet another win. Beau piloted the CST TIRES Honda to the 2nd win this year.



Maximum Esquivel on the got the Junior Advance win on the KTM.



Michael Burns Jr. was the fastest side-car on the burns racing, marks performance Kawasaki.

Blayne Thompson ended the racing with a dominating, wire to wire win of the weekends final event.



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DESERT SCRAMBLE
67th ANNUAL
MOOSE RUN
Spangler Hills -
February 26-27, 2017

By: Kaeley Porter
Photos by Grumby

A huge turnout for Round 1 of the District 37 Desert Series ran by Four Aces MC in Spangler Hills, located near Ridgecrest California. The youth race was a great way to kick off the weekend on Saturday and a 5 row start for the adult race on Sunday! All classes came out to continue the series or even try out a new series for the 2017 season.

Nick Burson (657) placed 1st overall and had a nice battle with Ricky Brabec throughout the course. Burson led almost the entire way until 5 miles from the finish. Ricky made the pass and took the lead. Burson stayed with the Honda rider and recaptured the lead just 100 yards from finish.

This years Moose Run was a tough one to lead with the unexpected turns the course took. Burson remained out front and had no bike troubles.

Burson does not usually follow this series but with it being a local race for him he decided to come out and race for some practice.

These desert races for Nick are a great way to prepare for series like the West Hare Scrambles an the National Hare and Hound series.

Ricky Brabec finishing 2nd overall had a very good race despite the dusty conditions making it hard to find where the course led. Brabec took it easy and did not push it



**NICK BURSON
WAS HOLDING ALL
THE CARDS AT 4 ACES
DEZ SCRAMBLE**



Ricki Brabec powering the JCR/ Honda through the desert for a 2nd overall by just 2 seconds... wow



Series Champ, **Ryan Smith** piloted the LG ELECTRIC, TBT RACING, MSR Yamaha to the 3rd overall spot.

considering this is not a series he usually follows. Like Burson, Brabec also raced this weekend to practice for upcoming races. Any race in the desert can count for good practice!

Brabec was in good spirits before the race and was excited for the day. Also in good spirits and ready for the day, best friends Ryan Karell, Maverick Shuey, and Ryan Smith did their usual race prep by getting themselves and their bikes ready, then standing around joking with each other until it was time for the riders meeting.

Maverick Shuey had a great finish just coming off of a shoulder injury placing 2nd in his class, Trevor Hoffman behind in 3rd, while Ryan Karell pulled a 1st place in class. Not too far ahead of them Ryan Smith was catching up to Brabec to take a 3rd overall.

Plenty of racers showed up to Round 1 of the District 37 Desert Series including the usual desert racers like Paul Krause, Brett Hoffman, and Stephanie Jones. Ridgcrest locals like Jordan and Christian Gamboa raced this weekend and both pulled an awesome finish. The boys were racing with their friends and had tons of support in the pits. KP-



Tristen Hart was 4th



Jordan Gamboa rounded out top 5.



Cordis Brooks - 1 Loop Winner



Ben Geissel powered by the mid 70's Husky rolling up the win in classic/vintage class. Awesome!!!



Stephanie Jones was first Female on the KTM



Jay Young was 1st Quad

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Place	Rider#	Rider Name	Club	Sponsors	Brand	Class	Lap 1	Lap 2
1	657	Nicholas Burson		Purvine Racing	YAM	Hwt Exp	0:37:50 (1)	1:27:27 (1)
2	P2	Ricky Brabec				Hwt Exp	0:37:57 (2)	1:27:29 (2)
3	1	Ryan Smith		LG ELECTRIC, TBT RACING, MSR	YAM	Hwt Exp	0:39:39 (3)	1:37:08 (3)
4	P84	TRYSTAN HART				Hwt Exp	0:42:05 (6)	1:37:25 (4)
5	D7994	Jordan Gamboa		dunlop,race tech Scott IMSNovik Twin Air One Ind	KTM	Hwt Exp	0:41:26 (4)	1:38:50 (5)

FOUR ACES 67TH ANNUAL MOOSE RUN DESERT SCRAMBLES – 1 LOOP

Place	Rider#	Rider Name	Club	Sponsors	Brand	Class	Lap 1
1	R1	Cordis Brooks Sr.	SO CAL	3bros,SRT,PC,fastway,PDI	KTM	Mas Exp	0:55:20 (1)
2	R30	James Miller	CHECKERS	Zeal Racing, 3 Bros.	KTM	Mas Exp	0:56:13 (2)
3	R10	Max Christensen	SHAMROCK MC		YAM	Mas Exp	0:56:50 (3)
4	R24	Max Eddy	VIEWFINDERS	EDDY Motorsports	HON	Mas Exp	0:56:53 (4)
5	R11	Robert Koch	LOST COYOTES	Dolly Mae Racing, O'Neal, Palmdale Super Cycle	YAM	Mas Exp	0:57:02 (5)

FOUR ACES 67TH ANNUAL MOOSE RUN DESERT SCRAMBLES – QUADS

Place	Rider#	Rider Name	Club	Sponsors	Brand	Lap 1	Lap 2
1	T2	Jay Young	TTR	TEAM TRUE RACING, Moose,TBT, Fasst ,PanicRev,RSI	YAM	1:42:33 (2)	2:45:20 (1)
2	T4	Ryan Wilson	INVADERS		KTM	1:42:28 (1)	2:49:48 (2)

FOUR ACES 67TH ANNUAL MOOSE RUN DESERT SCRAMBLES - Women

Place	Rider#	Rider Name	Club	Sponsors	Brand	Lap 1	Lap 2
1	W1	Stephanie Jones	LOST COYOTES	Jones Engine Dev., Coppersmith, Stickerstandard	KTM	0:59:49 (1)	2:11:46 (1)
2	W210	Marissa Honeyman			KTM	1:06:27 (2)	2:28:23 (2)
3	W3	Ashlee LaCharite	VIEWFINDERS		KTM	1:11:04 (3)	2:49:24 (3)



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The Victory Bell Rings at Glen Helen

Story by Ling
Photos by Mark Kariya



Prairie Dogs M/C
Grand Prix
Glen Helen
March 4-5

P-Dogs put together a terrific course, coupled with perfect weather and a huge rider turnout to put on one of the best GP's they have had in years...

Back at it again was the AMERICAN HONDA/ MONSTER ENERGY/ MSR/ LAVAPROPANE/ OX-MOTORSPORTS Honda of Zach Bell.

This time Zach got the lead on lap



one and never let it go. He was followed closely for a while by the JCRHONDA, LUCASOIL, MAXXIS, FLY, VONZIPPEER, ALPINESTAR Honda of 75 **Trevor Stewart** (left)

As the laps counter ticked and the course got rough, Zach Bell put it on all of the other riders stretching his lead out to 28 seconds at the end.

The pro race is always more fun at this track... it is incredible to see how these guys hang it out!





Eric Yorba on the FMF, RPM, MAXXIS KTM was 3rd.



Robby Bell just off the podium in 4th aboard the Kawi.



Blayne Thompson sewed up the 5th spot!



Brandi Richards aboard the Yamaha was Race 2 winner.



Brandon Gowen was WCGP Nov/ Beg winner



So, **Gordon Ward**. If this guy is not your hero yet, he is about to be. Gordon went out and beat a stacked group of Vets at Glen Helen. Names like Breck, Tilley, Collier, and Robby Bell were all there to challenge. Ward past Breck on the final lap and won the race.

Ward then moved to the Magnum race and battled Paul Krause and still came out on top.

Finally, on Sunday, he again past for the lead on the last lap and put a minute and a half on the field for his third win of the weekend. That is 9 wins in three classes in a row... Unreal!!! See him at Hilltoppers!



Cody Simpson of HBMC was 1st Super Mini Adv.



Jett Lessing got another win in the Jun Adv.



Beau Baron kept it clean to another Quad Victory!



Mark McDade got the side car victory... Bad A\$\$!



Blayne Thompson finished the final race 1st... in the rain



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Hare Scrambles – Johnson Valley
- April 29-30 SoCal M/C
National Hare and Hound – Johnson Valley

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