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50th Annual DMC
National Hare and Hound
January 21-22, 2017

Story by: Kaeley Porter
Photos by Mark Kariya

Anderson Dry Lake was not so dry this weekend for the 50th Annual Desert MC National Hare and Hound. The weekend was full of wind, rain, and tons of racing. Riders from classes Super Mini to Pro came out to race Round 1 of the 2017 National Hare and Hound series and killed it!

Ricky Brabec, #1 plate holder for the 2016 NHHA season, battled with the top 5 riders throughout this course but managed to take home the win for Round 1! Brabec spoke of the course as challenging and technical but also really fast due to this weekend's rain. Ricky played it safe on the course knowing that Lucerne

Valley is notorious for rocks and single track. He hopes to keep his championship streak for the 2017 season, and to come back stronger for round 2 in New Mexico. Brabec could not wait to "go home, get some pizza, and relax!"

Along with Brabec.. Taylor Roberts in 2nd, Gary Sutherlin in 3rd, Jacob Argubright in 4th, and Joseph Wasson in 5th, were each in the leading position at some point during the race but the battle that stood out most was the battle between Brabec and Roberts. Taylor Roberts talks about the course being nice because of the wet dirt, (but who doesn't love riding in wet dirt?!). This is only Roberts second National so he is very excited for what the upcoming season holds for him as a racer such as the environment and the awesome competition in the Pro class! Joseph Wasson did say for the first 40 miles the top 5 were all together battling for the lead but one slip up and you were back out!

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Taylor Roberts (33) and Ricky Brabec Battling it out 4 miles from the finish



Taking third overall, **Gary Sutherlin** couldn't have asked for better conditions to race the desert in! Sutherlin went from 4th to 1st in the first 10 miles! Although he made some mistakes on the course, he is happy to pull 3rd place for the first round of Nationals. Gary Sutherlin gives a special thanks to Purvines Racing for the support.



Jacob Argubright says time feels like it has flown since the last round of the National Hare and Hound series but he is also excited for what the race this weekend held and what the season will bring! Argubright is just going to take it one race weekend at a time he says. Despite the cold wind, and harsh rain, the course was not as bad as it could have been. The rain actually made the course a little less dangerous with the lack of dust but did get in the way when it came to safety markers and hidden rocks!



Joseph Wasson rounded out the top 5 on the Beta



Cordis Brooks of SoCal M/C was the 1st – One Looper!!!



Kacy Martinez was 1st Woman

2017 DMC NHHA ROUND 1 TOP 10

Place	Rider#	Rider Name	Club	Sponsors	Brand	Class	Lap 1	Lap 2
1	1	Ricky Brabec		JCR Honda	HON	Pro	0:51:14 (2)	2:03:51 (1)
2	33	Taylor Robert		KTMT/FMF/REDBULL	KTM	Pro	0:51:22 (5)	2:03:52 (2)
3	324	Gary Sutherlin		Bonanza Plumbing, Ktm /FMF, TLD, DA8,Seat Concepts	YAM	Pro	0:51:20 (4)	2:04:21 (3)
4	911	Jacob Argubright		Rockstar Energy Factory Husqvarna	HSQ	Pro	0:51:15 (3)	2:04:29 (4)
5	4	Joseph Wasson		Beta USA, Fly Racing, Kenda	BET	Pro	0:51:13 (1)	2:09:20 (5)
6	657	Nicholas Burson		Purvines Racing,Precision Concepts, BRP, Viral, 6D	YAM	Pro	0:53:26 (6)	2:13:39 (6)
7	762	Axel Pearson		Purvine Racing, DA8 Training, 6D Helmet, Thor	YAM	Pro	0:54:15 (7)	2:15:22 (7)
8	7	Justin Morgan		Rocky Mountain ATV/MC, Precision Concepts, Maxxis	HON	Pro	0:56:19 (9)	2:18:04 (8)
9	949	Nic Garvin	Praire Dogs	Braasch Motorsports,STI,Precision Concepts,BGA,CGS	HON	Pro	0:55:50 (8)	2:20:49 (9)
10	62	Ryan Smith		Team SRT, Ricks Custom Shutters, Kenda, O'Neal	YAM	Pro	0:56:52 (10)	2:21:49 (10)

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Quad Photos by Grumpy!!!

Pretty good turn out for Quads! 7 Experts started. That's a big number in the desert. When the mud settled, **Christopher Peatross** was fastest on the Chikato Bros. Ice, GMZ, TTR, Sierra LED, JT, IMS Kawasaki. Great start to the year for the win.

2017 DESERT MC - QUAD NATIONAL

Place	Rider#	Rider Name	Club	Sponsors	Brand	Lap 1
1	2Q	Christopher Peatross		Chikato Bros. Ice, GMZ, TTR, Sierra LED, JT, IMS	KAW	1:50:25 (1)
2	D7972	ROBBIE COCKRELL			HON	1:53:35 (2)
3	1Q	Colt Brinkerhoff			HON	1:58:29 (3)
4	T4	Ryan Wilson	INVADERS		KTM	2:03:39 (4)
5	N22Q	Rachel Bosemer		ACCELERATED FUNDING, BOYKO RACING, LONESTAR, Fasst	HON	2:07:30 (5)

Robbie Cockrell was close behind in the #2 spot.



Colt Brinkerhoff was just over 8 minutes off the pace for 3rd.

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**DMC National
 Youth Hare and Hound
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Mason Matthies (365- above) , 1st overall in the Super Mini race, was really happy with taking home 1st for his first National of the season!

The course for Mason was really fun, and very flowy. Matthies' bike ran well throughout the course with a big thanks to Precision Concepts and any other sponsors that have helped him for this upcoming year.



2017 DMC NYHHA ROUND 1 RACE 1 TOP 5						
Place	Rider#	Rider Name	Sponsors	Brand	Class	Lap 6
1	N365	Mason Matthies	Chidesters transport racing	YAM	Big W	0:48:57 (1)
2	N2	Hagen Boyce	Recreation Tires, CWD Electric, 3bros, EXS, Leatt	KTM	Big W	0:50:35 (2)
3	N91	Cody Kurtz	FasstCo/ TTR/ TBT/ Munn/ Motorex/Leatt/Fly/ HBD/ Dunlop	KTM	Big W	0:51:13 (3)
4	N199	Clayton Roberts	SW Roberts Const. Blais Racing. Maxima, Troy Lee	KTM	Big W	0:52:07 (4)
5	NT113	Caleb Benton		SUZ	Big W	0:54:04 (5)

Also taking home 1st place, **Laci Olivas (NT110 – right)** smokes all the boys on the course! She started off the race by getting the hole-shot and kept a good lead on her class.

Laci crashed once during the race moving her back to 2nd place overall. That allowed Andrew Schulz to get by her, but she eventually caught back up! Taking home 1st place overall in race 2 for the first National of the season. It felt good to Laci. She says all of her hard work finally payed off!



Girls like Laci Olivas were not the only ones who killed it this weekend! Little guys such as best friends **Jett Lessing** and **Brennen Watson** were tearing it up on the course!

Jett Lessing did not have the best start but was able to make up for it and do his thing & made podium! Brennen Watson, although he took home 3rd place, was able to catch the Hare at one point in the race! These little guys are the definition of all around awesome racers!

2017 DMC NYHHA ROUND 1 RACE 2 TOP 5						
Place	Rider#	Rider Name	Sponsors	Brand	Class	Lap 5
1	NT110	Laci Olivas	Mom & Dad Dr Moyer zip ty racing	KAW	Girls	0:53:07 (1)
2	NT134	Andrew Schulz	MSR, NOST Suspension, RG Trucking, ODI Grips	KTM	65cc	0:54:20 (2)
3	N3K	Jett Lessing	Malcolm Smith, Troy Lee, 6D, LA Sleeve, AP Racing	KTM	65cc	0:56:44 (3)
4	N1K	Lane Forbes	Valley Excavating, TBT Suspension, Cycle Smiths	KAW	65cc	0:56:48 (4)
5	N813F	Ty Woolslayer	Chidester Transport Racing	YAM	J Girls	1:01:54 (5)



Jett Lessing 3rd Race 2



Lane Forbes 4th Race 2

Andrew Schulz also had a lead on his class! One of the fastest little guys out there. Schulz was constantly pushing it and had a great race. At one point Schulz was able to pass the leader, Laci Olivas but did not keep the position.



Ryker Sperry lapped the field in the Pee Wee race!

2017 DMC NYHHA ROUND 1 PEEWEE TOP 5							
Place	Rider#	Rider Name	Sponsors	Brand	Class	Lap 4	Lap 5
1	N44P	Ryker Sperry	Notch Peak Racing Suspension, Smith Cabinets	KTM	50cc	0:34:32 (1)	0:43:06 (1)
2	N144P	Sean Taylor Freeman	National diesel services	COB	50cc	0:35:32 (2)	
3	NT100	Brennen Watson		KTM	50cc	0:35:55 (3)	
4	N14P	Grady Ballow		COB	50cc	0:36:48 (4)	
5	N757P	Tanner Smith	Chidester transport, Kenda tires	COB	50cc	0:39:51 (5)	



Sean Taylor Freeman 2nd Pee Wee



Brennen Watson was 3rd in class!

The youth race was definitely one to be there for! The weather was perfect, (but cold) & all of the younger riders put their best effort into the first round of the National Hare and Hound. - KP

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THOMPSON TAKES TWO AT ADELANTO

2017 SoCal M/C
Adelanto Grand Prix
January 13-15 2017
Photos by Mark Kariya
Story by Ling Ling

I don't think the conditions for racing have ever been this perfect for a Grand Prix in this or any other lifetime. Rain all week until Friday kept the track absolutely dust free for most of the weekend. The cool, crisp air was perfect for keeping riders and dirt bikes from over heating. The only thing that could make it rough is if a lot a people found out. Turns out they did!

With an unofficial count of 1,907 riders entered by the end of Sunday, most races did not have a piece of track that didn't have a pack of riders whipping through.

The WCGP Nov/ Beg race on Saturday was the first race were some to the riders started to get together at speed. At one point, there were enough bikes down and riders looking for assistance, that the race was Red Flagged and everyone was moved off the course to evacuate the injured from the area. The rumors were floating around the pits about haw many were injured.. But there were more then a few ambulance rides which is never a good thing.

There was a restart of the race with a much smaller group of riders as many had loaded up to go home.

Then the Pro I/ Pro II in the WCGP Pro/ Exp/ Int race took the track...



Blayne Thompson (above) on the FASTHOUSE Honda got out front early of the biggest race of the weekend. He lead the race right up to the 2nd Red Flag of the day.



This time we got word there were two riders down in a spot that the club needed to stop the race in order to get to. Safety being first, they got to the race stopped and the ambulances out to take both riders to the hospital.

With the sun going down and the ability for the race to continue diminishing, there was an announcement over the radios that the WCGP Pro/ Exp/ Int would be continued in the morning.



Trevor Stewart on the JCR HONDA, LUCASOIL, MAXXIS, FLY, VONZIPPEER, ALPINESTAR Honda was able to move from 4th Saturday to 2nd on Sunday!



Gary Sutherlin on the new NTS INC./ Fly Racing, Yamaha rounded out the podium



With Ox Motorsports Colton Udall out with an injury, the team brought in some talent to pilot one of there rockets... Supercross Rider Zach Bell finished 4th Pro!



Justin Seeds continues to impress as he moved from 8th up to a top 5 finish

SoCal M/C had some serious challenges with the scope of what this race has become. As the amount of riders increase, the speeds need to fall or the riders will.

They did a "Mammoth Job" getting this race completed and everyone should pat them on the back, shake their hand, and give them a cold beer from your good beer ice chest... Cuz they earned it!!! Thank you SoCal !!!

2017 SoCal M/C Adelanto Grand Prix - WCGP Top 10

Place	Rider#	Rider Name	Sponsors	Brand	Class	Lap 8
1	777	BLAYNE THOMPSON	Fasthouse	HON	WCGP Pro	1:13:27 (1)
2	75	TREVOR STEWART	JCRHONDA,LUCASOIL,MAXXIS,FLY,VONZIPPEER,ALPINESTA	HON	WCGP Pro	1:14:04 (2)
3	324	GARY SUTHERLIN	NTS INC, FLY RACING	YAM	WCGP Pro	1:14:11 (3)
4	100	ZACH BELL		HON	WCGP Pro	1:14:38 (4)
5	213	JUSTIN SEEDS		KAW	WCGP Pro	1:14:51 (5)
6	32	ROBBY BELL		KAW	WCGP Pro	1:14:55 (6)
7	229	JEFF LOOP	JOHN BURR CYCLES,CLARK ELECT.,MAXXIS		WCGP Pro	1:15:41 (7)
8	22	TRAVIS DAMON		HON	WCGP Pro	1:15:43 (8)
9	72	MICHAEL DELFANTE	1000 OAKS POWER,MAXXIS,MSR,2XU,SIDI,FMF,BELL,GPR	YAM	WCGP Pro	1:16:26 (9)
10	30	MARK SAMUELS	AMERICAN HONDA/MOSTER/MSR/LAVAPROPANE/OXMOTOR SPORTS	HON	WCGP Pro	1:17:21 (10)



Race 2 winner was **Brandy Richards**. Brandy led the race wire to wire.



The Superstar of the weekend was **Gordon Ward**... he came out on fire and won all three age group classes. That is 30+ Vet, 40+ Sen and 50+ Mag. This guy proves you will grow up, but you do not have to grow old!!! Lap times would have put him in the top 2 or 3 in the pro race... But that might be showing off!!!



Super Mini Nov winner **Cody Simpson** (I187) piloting the Kawasaki past **Kaleb Most** (I189) on his way to the win!



Andrew Schulz of Desert M/C coming down the LA Coliseum Turnstile... or at least it felt like it. 1st Micro Advanced!





Beau Baron with yet another win. The CST Tires Honda Quad Rider is picking up right where he left off last year!

2017 SoCal M/C ADELANTO GRAND PRIX - QUADS/ SIDE CARS

Place	Rider#	Rider Name	Sponsors	Brand	Lap 4
1	T1	BEAU BARON	CST TIRES	HON	0:40:08 (1)
2	T66	JEREMY GRAY		HON	0:41:19 (2)
3	T70	ROBBIE COCKRELL	GM2 TIRES,CRYO-HEAT,TTR RACING,SIERRA LED	HON	0:42:38 (3)
4	T714	STEVEN ALBERT II	Duncan Racing,FasstCo,Fly,ProArmor,Bigkid,TCS	YAM	0:43:01 (4)
5	T65	TRAVIS HANES	SPARKS RACINGM,SCOTT USA,ROLL DESIGN,ELKA	HON	0:45:13 (5)



Jeremy Gray was about a minute back on the Honda for 2nd



Robbie Cockrell was 3rd



Mark McCade piloted the Marks Performance Products, Photos by Grumpy side car to the win and 30th overall



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REFERREE REPORT

FROM THE DESK OF
TOM PURDY

Hi All,

A new racing year is underway and already we have some new rules, and modifications to some existing rules.

The "Modified 50cc" class for the GP's has been ruled illegal by the AMA. The AMA notified District 37 after the calendars, rulebook, and some flyers had been printed. As a result this class has been eliminated. Disregard any reference to this class in any flyers, or other printed forms.

The Competition Committee also eliminated some wording in the rule book that did not reflect the intent of the rule.

For many years there was a sentence in the rulebook that stated "Riders 70 years old or older do not pay entry fees." This is not the case. Another section of the rule book was modified to reflect that Legends riders pay the same entry fees as District Officers, and number 1 riders, which is \$16.00 for desert, and \$10.00 for GP's. **Legends riders still have to pay for their District licenses and gate fees where applicable.** This became effective 01-01-17.

With that said, check the results and your points often!! By that I mean after every race. If once results are posted either GP, or desert, and you see a problem contact the club Referee immediately.

Once the points are posted on the District website there is a ten day protest period. Once that time period has passed there will be no changes. This

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includes work points. Do not contact the MotoTally Administrator. The Administrator merely posts the results the club Referee says are accurate and official. The ten day protest period does not stop if there is a protest pending so keep notes on who you contacted and when. In extreme cases such as what we recently had, I will make a post saying to disregard the posted results, and I will make another post when they are considered accurate and official by the club Referee. I seriously doubt that will occur again.

Within the last couple months there was a major development regarding the MX races that are held throughout the summer months. Due to the SoCal MX Series recent scheduling of a "Winter Moto Madness" series which includes two events that are in direct conflict with two District 37 points paying events, District 37, and the SoCal MX Series have mutually agreed to go their separate ways. The two District 37 desert points paying events in conflict have been scheduled since April of 2016.

The District 37 clubs that are shown on the 2017 Calendar as hosting a MX are being surveyed to see if they are still interested in putting on the event. This is a developing issue, and details are still being worked out. One event that is for certain is the RHR, MX which will now move from June 25th, to June 18. Stay tuned for further developments.

That should be it for now.

Tom Purdy
District 37 Referee

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ISDE QUALIFIER CHAMPIONSHIP ROUND 1 – WEST QUALIFIER GORMAN, CA STORY BY RYAN SMITH PHOTOS BY MARK KARYIA

Nicholas Burson (2A) was the winner of both days at the this event. The Purvines Racing Yamaha was up front all weekend!



Ryan Smith had a "tuff" weekend.. But it's a great story!
Check it out! Thank you Ryan for the words.

So here is a real treat... the race report from Ryan Smith. What could be better than having a racer tell you how it went?... nothing! Enjoy!

VCMC Quali-fire Enduro

With the new schedule of qualifying for ISDE I decided to go ahead and give it a shot. ISDE is one of the largest motorcycle races in the world and it's been a dream of mine to race it one day. The format is way different than what I am used to but I knew it would be fun and I was looking forward to it. Gorman is also a place where I know most of the trails we would be racing on which was a confidence booster.

Right off the bat we jumped into the first special. We started at 8am so the sun was in our eyes, making things a little hard to see while tipping and tilting our heads to block the sun with the visor.

I knew I wouldn't post a fast time right off the bat because I've never been a strong sprinter. I just stayed smooth and focused on remembering parts of the trail for the next time around.

After the first lap and the two tests we did, I was warmed up and feeling much better. I typically ride better later in the races so I was ready to go after the first loop. The next two loops I really put my head down and improved my times, but I also made some costly mistakes.

After seeing the results and how close in times everyone was,

I saw how drastic those mistakes were. Everyone was seconds apart and the seconds I lost caused me to finish seventh on the day and miss a qualifying spot.

Day two started off the same way, 8 o'clock and straight into the first special test. This time I was ready to go. Right off the bat I was on the gas. I felt like myself on the bike and was riding flawlessly. I was hitting all my marks and carrying way more speed than the day before.

We were going backwards on one of the tests from the day before so I knew where I was going. In the middle of the test the trail was pretty straight like a road and I was close to wide open in fifth gear going down it. I knew towards the end of the road there was a turn so when I got close I began to slow down to make sure I didn't blow the turn. (continued on page 15)



The American Motorcyclist Association has sanctioned qualifier rounds for the ISDE since the World Championship event was known as the International Six Days Trial. The qualifiers have changed over the years to meet the needs of the U.S. team. For 2017, the AMA is returning to a series format.

The AMA ISDE East Qualifier Series will have rounds in Florida, South Carolina and Tennessee. The AMA ISDE West Qualifier Series will be held in California, Idaho and Washington. Each round of the East and West series will run a two-day format with four of the six days used to qualify riders. The top-five riders in each ISDE series will qualify.

Following the regional series, an additional three-day qualifier will be held in Tennessee with all three days plus the best one-day finish from the East or West series being used to qualify eight additional riders.

“Not only are we making it tougher, while giving riders more opportunities to qualify, we are also working very hard on raising funds to reduce costs across the board,” said AMA Off-Road Manager Erik Kudla. “I want the U.S. teams to sweep the podiums at the 2017 ISDE in France, and making our qualifying competition even stiffer, plus helping our riders get there, is the best way to accomplish that.”

Cody Webb on the KTM finished 2 and 2 for the weekend



Justin Morgan went 3 – 3 ... A great photo of a dude having a great time!!!



Max Christianson/ Shamrocks Shot course winner. He went 1 – 1 too wow!



Jamie Wells was top female rider

Ryan Smiths VCMC Race Continued...

Once I was close enough to see the turn and what lay in the shadow before it. I noticed a nice lip on a drainage spot that was man made. I knew there was no way I could slow down enough to make the corner.

After hitting it, I carried my speed through it and jumped over the corner. When I landed, I started to get back on the gas, trying to lose as little time as possible.

Just as I did, I noticed another drainage ditch that I was about to hit at a bad angle. It ended up kicking me sideways and sent me to the ground. I tumbled a few times and jumped up to find a severely twisted front end on the bike.

I rode it as best I could and finished the test. I knew I lost a bunch of time and it ruined my day but I pressed on. After the test I stopped to straighten my bike out to realize I had bent bar mounts as well.

When I got back to the pits, I tried to pound the bar mounts straighter but it didn't work. I didn't have time to find someone with a spare bike to rob parts from so I decided that's how the rest of my day would be.

They later closed the course because of injuries and I was able to get some extra work time. I went and found someone who had an extra bike, it turned out to be Dillon Sheppard. He was kind enough to let me take the bike and use his top triple clamp for the rest of the day! It helped out a ton but a sore neck from the crash hampered my results for the rest of the day and I only lost more time.

I ended up 17th on the day which just shows how close everyone was in times, every second counts. Thank you Dillon Sheppard for letting me borrow those parts, I owe you big time!

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- March 4-5 Prairie Dogs M/C
Grand Prix – Glen Helen
- March 11-12 HBMC
DYS - 2x Dual Euro Scrambles – Slash X
- March 18-19 Prospectors M/C
West Hare Scrambles - Gorman
- March 26 Dirt Diggers M/C
Desert Scrambles – Spangler Hills

D-37 RACE INFO HOTLINE 714 539-2357

The D-37 message contains updated race information. Race dates and locations frequently change. For up to date information, please call before going out to a race.

MONTHLY DISTRICT MEETINGS

- 1ST Thursday: Off-Road Committee Meeting at Brea H.S. at 8pm
- 2nd Thursday: Competition Meeting at Brea H.S. at 7pm
- 3rd Tuesday: Big 6 GP Meeting at Hilltoppers MC Club House in Long Beach

PLEASE REMEMBER TO DONATE TO RESCUE 3
Rescue 3 has a donation jar available at every race at sign-ups. Donate via mail by sending your check to:



Rescue 3 Inc.
5040 N. Greenpark Ave.
Covina, CA 91724
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Rescue 3 is a volunteer, non-profit, search and rescue organization. Your donations help them with supplies and maintenance which benefit all of D-37's injured riders.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Contributions for the news letter must arrive by the 5th of each month! Everyone is welcome to send in something.

E-mail to Scott_Hamby@ahm.acura.com or mail to Scott Hamby at 3716 Petaluma Ave. Long Beach CA 90808

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