

News

The 2023 racing season is almost here. Schedules have been released for the OTHG Nationals, Sierra and Bay Chapters, BMX and REP Racing. The one thing that is missing for the first time, is that the Reno OTHG does not have any races other than our National event at Riverfront on Memorial Day weekend.

The Reno OTHG were not approached by BMX for any dates and were not presented when it came to putting on a race. A few members voiced their concerns as it was the Reno OTHG club that gave the startup funding for BMX and now BMX does not even approach the club about holding an event. When asked, BMX representatives said they reached out to Winnemucca and they were not interested in doing what was done last fall. BMX did not give us the opportunity to work out a deal with a facility. It was a bit of a somber moment at the end of the January meeting.

On the plus side, BMX will be changing the vet age grouping for the upcoming year to match that of OTHG. This will make it easier for OTHG members to get their evaluation races to qualify for the OTHG Nationals. They will be keeping the A, B, C, D skill levels but changing age groups to 30, 38, 45, 52 and so on.

With BMX omitting us from there series, we are asking members for ideas to raise for the club to continue racing and being able to give back to the communities we are in.

One idea was to hold a short 3-4 race series of our own with OTHG

Monthly Meeting

Our OTHG monthly meeting are held on the first Tuesday of every month at Pizza Plus located at Prater and McCarren. Pizza is served at 6:30pm and the meeting starts at 7:00pm.



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2023 BOARD

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2023 OTHG National Schedule

RD. 1-South National
March 17-19, 2023
LACR

RD. 2-Sierra National
April 21-23, 2023
Oatfield

RD. 3-Reno National
May 26-28, 2023
Riverfront MX

RD. 4-Bay National
September 1-3, 2023
Argyll MX

RD. 5-Valley National
October 27-29, 2023
DT-1

classes and a few extra support classes. Bring your ideas up at the next meeting.

In other news, our awards banquet is scheduled for Saturday February 4th at Tamarack Casino starting at 6pm. It will be the place to be as we hand out some cool swag and award the top 20 from 2022. RSVP online now. (continued on next page.)

First for a quick history lesson. The first race in Fernley was held at the Fairgrounds in 1972. In 1978 Joe Hathaway and Western States Racing Association did a motocross race in Fernley for the first time, which is basically where we see the Sandbox today. The track has drifted back to the east and west. In 1988 the races were closer to the cemetery. The rolling bumps were endless. The cool part was it had some elevation change but had no jumps to really speak of. A bonus of that location was the water was right there.

In 2010, the OTMX built to the west as OTHG still used the track to the east. Eventually both layouts were utilized at the same time for the Sandbox GP's and OTHG Nationals.

In 2019, it was determined that the area know as the willows on the east part of the property was actually not part of our property and part of BOR and had to put up fencing to keep us from racing in that area.

In 2021, COVID restrictions were lifting and shortly after our first race, Matt Hall came into the picture which lead to the eventual closing of the track. The Reno OTHG tried numerous times to prevent the closing of the facility but in the end, the last race was the Reno OTHG National Memorial Day Weekend of 2021.

In the spring of 2022, we thought a 10 year contract was in place and agreed upon but at the eleventh hour the owners pulled out.

Today, by request of the landowners the storage connex has

Has ben removed off the property. The jumps have been dug up to deter riders from riding on the track. The immediate future of the Sandbox does not look promising. However there is still a glimmer of hope that one day the Sandbox will be thriving once again with 600 plus race entries. Time will only tell.

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The top 20 that will be receiving awards are:

	Name	OTHG #	Class
1	Aaron Bissell	124R	45+ EXP
2	Tyler Pizorno	39R	30+ INT
3	Layne Kolbet	66R	52+ EXP
4	Blair Richardson	411R	45+ NOV
5	Danny Martin	294R	30+ EXP
6	Ernie Gonzales	366R	52+ BEG
7	Jason Rubero	426R	38+ INT
8	Claire Petrie	825R	Women INT
9	Larry Mulock	63R	52+ NOV
10	George Forbes	316R	38+ INT
11	Ken Gourley	89R	65+ NOV
12	James Swain	303R	30+ INT
13	Tony Lavezzo	641R	30+ INT
14	Chad Olson	22R	45+ INT
15	Amy Pizorno-Pilz	713R	Women BEG
16	Jeff Mitchell	91R	58+ NOV
17	Jessie Gregg	151R	30+ INT
18	John Patterson	42R	38+ EXP
19	Sedanna Losey	24R	45+ INT
20	Jason Simpson	741R	38+ INT

Congratulations to those who put in the effort to come out and race and help grow our club and sport. If you are not in the top 20, we will be handing out some pretty cool swag too.

Guaranteed to go home with something you did not have when you showed up, and I am not talking out a full stomach. Looking forward to seeing everyone for a fun night and looking forward to what 2023 has in store. Link to RSVP to this year's banquet:

<https://renoothg.redpodium.com/2022-reno-othg-banquet>

2023 Race Schedule



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2023 BBMX Race Schedule

Rd.	Date	Club	Location
1	*3/18-19	WMX	Winnemucca
2	4/1-2	REP	Riverfront
3	*4/22-23		E-Street
4	5/20-21	OTMX	95A
5	6/24	GRMX	Elko AX
6	7/15-16		E-Street
7	9/9-10	WMX	Winnemucca
8	9/23-24	OTMX	95A
9	10/7-8	REP	Prairie City
10	11/4-5	WMX	Winnemucca

* - No OTHG Club Points-Conflict with OTHG National

2023 Bay/Sierra Race Schedule

Date	Club	Track
1/28-29	Sierra	MMX Main
2/18-19	Bay	Club Moto
3/4-5	Sierra	PCMX
3/17-19	South*	LACR
4/1-2	Sierra	Oatfield
4/21-23	Sierra*	Oatfield
5/12-13	Sierra	Riverfront
5/26-28	Reno*	Riverfront
8/12-13	Bay	Argyll MX
9/1-3	Bay*	Argyll MX
9/16-17	Sierra	Riverfront
	2-Stroke Race	
10/14-15	Sierra	PC
	Cancer Relay	
10/27-29	Valley*	DT1
11/11-12	Sierra	MMX

***Bold-National Race**

**Double Race Points

2023 Races of Interest

RD	Date	Series	Track
1	7/29	Sat. Night	Riverfront
2	8/12	Sat. Night	Riverfront
3	9/9	Sat. Night	Riverfront
4	9/30	Sat. Night	Riverfront
5	10/21	Sat. Night	Riverfront

Mammoth Race Vet Weekend

June 16 - Friday Practice

June 17 - Saturday Race

June 18 - Sunday Race

Link to renew your Reno OTHG Membership.

<https://renoothg.redpodium.com/2023-reno-othg-membership>



Past Reno #1 Members

2022 – Aaron Bissell
2021 – Aaron Bissell
2020 – Claire Petrie
2019 – Claire Petrie
2018 – Sedanna Losey
2017 – Kevin Hargett
2016 – Kevin Hargett
2015 – Jeston Ponciano
2014 – AJ Turnage
2013 – Chris Garrenstroom
2012 – Layne Kolbet
2011 – Jason Shakespeare
2010 – Harry Trainor

Trainor Award Recipients

2022 – ??????
2021 - Aaron Bissell
2020 - No Recipient
2019 - Blair Richardson
2018 - Ed Brink
2017 - Aaron Bissell
2016 - Jeromie Sorhouet
2015 - Allen & Nolan Rudd
2014 - Chris Gaarnstoom
2013 - Jason Spicier
2012 - Marcus Gentry