



# TRACKSIDE NEWSLETTER June 2011



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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **JUNE 25, VINTAGE DAY**

OMRRA vintage riders will showcase motorcycles from the 50's, 60s and 70s. New to the Vintage scene this year is the Dinosaur class, featuring wide bars, flat number plates and (gulp) carburetors. They'll be followed by the usual gaggle of Honda CB160s launched LeMans style, utilizing the Festival Curves to break up the front straight.

But that's just the beginning....

**Motocross** has occurred at PIR since the 70s, and for this event bikes from that era will run there again. OMRRA is working with Hammer and Tongs MX to bring visions of Roger DeCoster back to the PIR track. The facility will be set specially for suspension-challenged vintage and evolution bikes, adding a natural terrain grass section to the normal Portland track.

**Scooters** from the Pacific Scooter Racing Association will perform their brand of low horsepower madness on the big track this year,

running 3-lap races (OMRRA and WMRRA racers welcome). For registration info contact Patrick at PTown scooters at [patrick@pacificscooterracing.com](mailto:patrick@pacificscooterracing.com).

A motorcycle and scooter **swap meet** will be held in the outside pits, and an open-entry **bike show** judged by the Oregon Vintage Motorcyclists is on tap. The local moped club, Puddle Cutters, will also host a **gymkhana**. And there will be lunchtime **parade laps** for pre-1980 bikes. Find more info at [www.omrra.com](http://www.omrra.com) under the Vintage Day tab.

### **JUNE 25th SUPERMOTO EXHIBITION**

In conjunction with Vintage Day and the Festival Curves, OMRRA is pleased to host an exhibition race to showcase the supermoto-type motorcycle at PIR. For \$25 you get: (2) 15 minute practice sessions, exclusively for the supermoto group (1) 8 lap Main Event; grid position will be by random draw. Supermoto licensing required, no OMRRA points will be earned, must pass OMRRA tech. You must pre-register! Please use the special Supermoto reg form.



Our own Drat (#58) on the prowl at Pat's Acres.

## JULY 15th NOVICE SCHOOL

We have until June 15th to fill ten spaces and we are not there yet! We will only host the school if there are enough applicants. So if you are interested please register as soon as possible! For registration details contact the OMRRA office at [omrrainfo@gmail.com](mailto:omrrainfo@gmail.com).

## JULY SUPERTEAMS RACE

We will be hosting one of our three Superteams one hour endurance races in July. To register, please be sure to fill out the special pre-registration form found on our website. \$120 per team. Le Mans start. Novices can participate. Get your teams together and join us for some ultra cheap and fun track time!

## OMMRA VALUE CLASSES

Our discounted value classes are slowly becoming a hit! Ultra-lightweight (US) and Lightweight (LS) class entry fees are only \$75 for your first and ONLY class, and \$20 to add the class! Limit one discount per racer per event.

## TTXGP ELECTRIC RACING CANCELLED

We are very sad to announce that the TTXGP will not be attending OMRRA this year due to a scheduling conflict with an opportunity at MotoGP Laguna Seca. However, we look forward to working with TTXGP for the 2012 race season.

## NEW REGISTRATION POLICIES

Due to complications in adding a class and changing grids last minute, racers will only be allowed to add or make changes up until 9am each morning. Pre-grids will be posted at the base of the tower during the riders meeting. Any changes that you foresee must be made immediately following the riders meeting.

## HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVES

*Let's ride down memory lane...a glimpse through OMRRA's archives...*

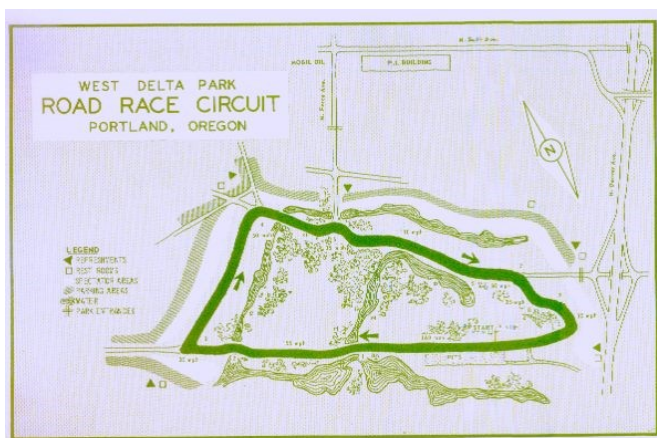
It doesn't get more Vintage than this:



*The inscription on this photo from the OMRRA archives says August 1963. This is Cottonwood Ave, the original front straight.*

## *The history of PIR*

In 1960, the city of Portland purchased the flooded city of Vanport land from the Army Corps of Engineers for the price of \$175,000. In 1961, thanks to some car guys who saw the abandoned roads as a place to stage sports car races, a race track was born. By convincing the Portland Rose Festival Association to sponsor a race as part of the festival activities, the first race was held in June 1961. Appropriately titled The Rose Cup Race.



*The original track layout from 1961 where the first Rose Cup Races were held in the former flooded city of Vanport.*

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