



Trackside

Quarterly Newsletter

March 2016

LETTER FROM PRESIDENT

OMRRA Members:

Welcome to the 2016 race season!

I hope you've been spending time in the garage these past months preparing motorcycles for April. Fluids to change, pads to check, chains to lube...and months to wait. I even did a little flat tracking this winter, spraining my knee and bruising my ego in the process. Nothing like getting beat by an 11-year-old to put me firmly in my place.

We're nearly there.

Over the winter, I'm happy to say your Board and a growing number of volunteers have been hard at work behind the scenes to make this an exciting year.

The biggest weekend on our schedule will certainly be July, when we'll host a WMRRA to return to PIR. Same as last year it's part of their championship, so prepare for big grids!

Also returning in 2016 will be OMRRA Track Days. They're a great chance to invite a friend to pit with you, enjoy the safety benefits of Air Fence and our experienced Turn Worker team, and to fully experience a race weekend. Please reach out to riders you know, and help us attract new members. More at: omrra/trackdays.

Before April 9, let's all make a point of looking through the 2016 OMRRA Rule Book. You voted on a number of race class changes. Other Board approved updates occurred as well, including a 40 MPH Pit Lane speed limit like MotoAmerica, and a requirement to mark your pit location with your race number same as WMRRA. To see all rules changes: [rules](#).

Last, I'd like to personally thank the people who've helped with all it takes to administer and improve OMRRA this winter. On that front, I'm happy to welcome Linda Callahan as our new Office Manager. Please make a point of saying hello to Linda at Registration, and thanking her for all she's already done to make your life at the track easier and more fun.

Now...let's race!

See you in April,
Chris



2016 SPONSORSHIPS

OMRRA'S 2016 sponsorship campaign has successfully wrapped up. All the championships and twenty-two of OMRRA's race classes are being sponsored this year! Langlitz Leathers is returning as the Vintage Championship Sponsor.

Vicious Cycle is sponsoring the 450 Superbike Class. Formula 4 is being sponsored by **EDR Performance**, and **MotoCorsa** is back as the sponsor for Middleweight Superbike. OMRRA is extremely pleased to welcome **Barley Browns Beer** as sponsor for Lightweight Superbike and **Boneyard Beer** as sponsor for Middleweight Sportman. **JR Johnson** returns as sponsor of the Ultralightweight Superbike class and Autumn returns as sponsor for 600 Supersport. **Sol Performance** is sponsoring Open Supersport. The **Flying Fifteen Motorcycle Club** is sponsoring Sidecars when they return back to OMRRA for the August Race Weekend.

These sponsors join the ones written about in the January Newsletter (**KFG Racing**, **APEX**, **Velomacchi**, **Rubber SideDown Towing**, **Glass from the Past**, **Ghostworks**, **NW Structural Moving**, **Bob Lanphere's Beaverton Motorsports**, **GP Suspension**, **Zlock Racing**, **SFRC**, **CycleTune**, **MotoSport Hillsboro**). Thanks so much to all the new and returning sponsors! Please patronize all the business who sponsor and contribute to the ongoing success of OMRRA.

REMINDER DATES

- March 21 Registration Opens
- April 7 - 8 New Racer School
- April 9-10 First Race Weekend
- May 14-15 Second Race Weekend
- June 4 New Racer Workshop
EDR Motorsports

OMRRA TRACKDAYS

Track Days are returning to OMRRA for the 2016 season. As per last year, riders who do **NOT** have race licenses are able to sign up online for OMRRA Track Day sessions, offered on Saturdays within race weekend. Go to <http://omrra.com/track-days/> for costs and details.

When: Saturdays, each race weekend

What: Four 15-minute sessions, 2 before lunch and 2 after.

Cost: \$100 plus \$10 at the gate

Limit: 30 riders

Applicants must have run in A or B group in a PIR track day in the past 2 years, or in A group at a track day elsewhere in that timeframe. Motorcycles must be SV650 or larger, from year 2000 or newer, and of sportbike or "standard" style.

Racers, please tell your track day friends all about this and let them share the race weekend experience with you!

VOLUNTEERS PLEASE!

OMRRA always needs Volunteers. Specifically, we are looking for ASIT Volunteers and Corner Workers. Curb Painting with FIM approved paint will also be happening during the season - many volunteers will be needed to accomplish this important safety upgrade. Email omrrainfo@gmail.com if you can help!



NEW RACER SCHOOL

The April 7 - 8 session of New Racer School has only **5 spots left** for students ready to learn the basics of racing from our team of experts. The high turn out of novices is a testament to high turn out at the three new racer workshops held over the winter at CycleTune, Beaverton Motorcycles, and Cheshire Motorsports.

Thursday night, April 7th, the NRS kicks off its classroom session at MotoCorsa at 6:30 pm. Friday, April 8th, from 8am to 5pm is the all day on-track instruction at PIR. Many OMRRA experts volunteer their time to instruct, evaluate and mentor new racers. New Racer School is led by Kevin Pinkstaff with support from many many OMRRA racers.

SERIOUSLY, PIT NUMBERS!

Per the rule book, your pit must be identified with your race number! These numbers make both Blinky and ASIT's jobs much easier when they are trying to find where to go. One easy way to do this is to get a plastic number plate, put your number on it, and zip tie it to your tent. Another easy way to do this is to write directly on the tent itself if you know your number isn't ever going to change!

REGISTRATION INFO

Pre-registration opens online March 21st for the April round. It ends on Wednesday April 6th at Midnight. Any registration after that date is an additional \$30 and must be done at the track. Payment processing dates have changed - payments will be processed beginning on April 4th but will be held until Thursday as in previous years.

Prior to registering, all racers will need to update their motorcycles and select the eligible classes. There is no longer a bike interview so it is important to know your race classes. Please refer to the **OMRRA Rule Book** for any clarification about your classes.

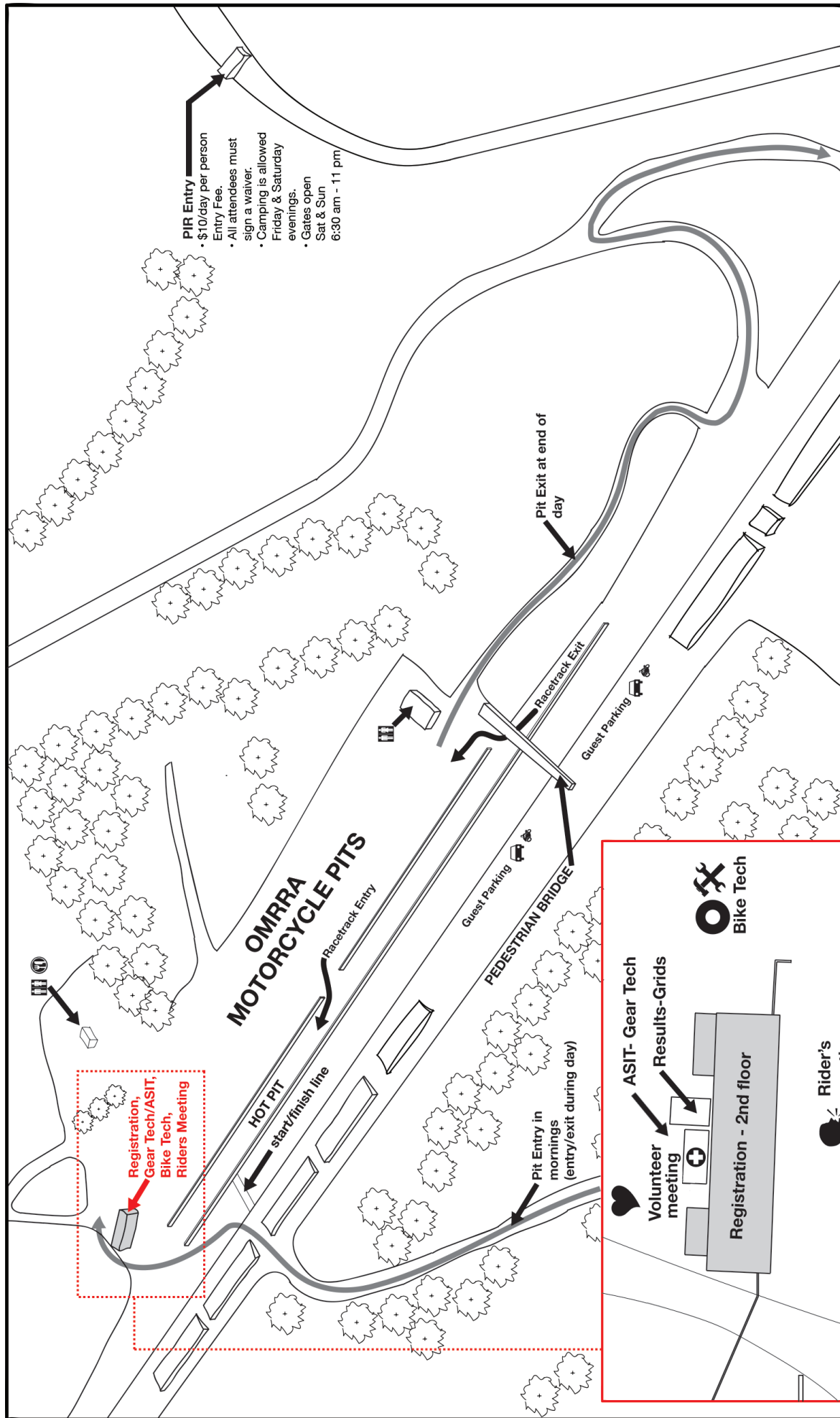
To update your motorcycles, go into your TrackIntel account and find "Motorcycle Manager" under "About Me". Go to "Classes" and edit as needed. Make sure to save the classes! Make sure your Contingency info is up to date as well under "Sponsors". Use the pull down "Contingency Sponsor" to find the contingency you will be using this year. Update your "Crew Contact" with your Pit Contact as this will help streamline the ASIT process.

HOT PIT SPEEDLIMIT

The Hot Pit will have a speed limit of 40 MPH all season long. This will be enforced between the beginning of the Hot Pit wall to the Track Entry. The purpose of this speed limit is to protect both volunteers, spectators, and racers. This will be enforced.

RACE WEEKEND

Both ASIT and Bike Tech will be in the same locations as last Season. The Riders Meeting is moving to the South Side of the tower. Please see the attached map. Every racer will need to remove their bike's Belly Pan and bring it to Tech for your first race weekend. Once it is inspected, it will get a sticker for the year. OMRRA and WMRRA are using the same belly pan and helmet tech sticker for 2016. If you race at WMRRA, the systems should work identically as if you were at OMRRA.



TOWER AREA MAP - UPCLOSE