A Newsletter serving the BLACK JACK ENDURO CIRCUIT

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"Note's" . . .from the CHAIRMAN

I would like to share with you some "good," and "bad" things that are going on right now . . .and affect our Circuit

First, the good things! Kawasaki called us through Billy Treadwell, and asked for information about the circuit, who we are, what we do, and where we're going. The bottom line is that a positive recommendation was made to include us in their contingency program for '96. A lot of credit has to be given to Benny Richards who has been shaking the bush's in this area for quite some time. This prompted a knee jerk reaction along with a call to Benny on my part . . . result? A packet representing our circuit which included our Rule Book, Sticky's, history, and our future goals was immediately sent to Yamaha Motor Corp. A couple of timely phone calls followed that up by a couple of our most active Yamaha dealers (Steve Underwood of Surdyke Yamaha of Marionville, and Tony Orihuela of Yamaha Sports Center.) "Hopefully," we will see these two contingency programs in addition to Suzuki and Huseburg in '96. Benny is chasing Honda as I write this. Guy's and Gal's . . . everyone is working on this for you!

More good things! We have enjoyed the hard work of many this year with some very good events, and the promise of more to come! Your club Reps. and Officers have been holding monthly meetings at the events and are dealing with issue's that affect us all. If you don't belong to a club...join one! Another way to get

updated on these meetings is to ask any of the club Reps. or Officers when you see them. We're also planning to print any "approved" measures, when they're voted in, in this NEWSLETTER...stay tuned!

Bad things! The John Zink Ranch is closed to motorcycle activity! Yes, it's true. Jack Shoalmire the Tulsa Trail Riders President is still chasing this thing, but for now . . . no events. According to Jack, it's being explained as an "insurance problem." I have talked to Roger Ansel (AMA) who is aware of the situation. The top mover's and shaker's at the AMA are looking into it. I could write a book about my ten or so years worth of memory's of the Zink but I'm sure most of you have your own. This closing, if it stands, is a very bad thing for the Tulsa Trail Riders, Black Jack Enduro Circuit, and riders in general. What can you do? The Tulsa Trail Riders are welcoming letters from concerned riders (letters with business heading is best) addressed to Mr. Zink. I caution you to write "concerned. thoughtful letters." This thing might not be dead so the last thing we need is hate mail type stuff. Please address your letters to: Mr. Zink, C/O Tulsa Trail Riders, 8712 E. 80th Pl., Tulsa, OK. 74133. It can't hurt to mail them now. The Tulsa Trail Riders will screen them for content and compile them into a packet to present to Mr. Zink.

We are looking at an event to replace the <u>second</u> Tulsa event previously scheduled for October '95. Several options are being considered (the best one is that The Tulsa Trail Riders resolve the problem with the Zink Foundation and hold the event) so stay tuned. As it stands right now we'll end the year with nine events and score six. Look for that to change to ten, score seven, one way or the other!

My last thought is in regard to AMA. I have been approached by AMA with a pretty nice offer of incentives if we (BJEC) align with the AMA, totally (read . . . all of our events.) There are pro's and con's to this issue and strong feelings that run very deep . . . on both sides of the argument. For that reason, expect to see our NEWSLETTER Editor, Dave Clemens, put together a member survey on this issue in the next issue of KEYTIME. This kind of issue would affect us all . . . we want your input!

Randy Presthus/ CHAIRMAN

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WHAT'S HAPPENING

by Stormy Sims

This month's article is going to cover another resource that is out there, and hopefully inform everyone about this organization. The Blue Ribbon Coalition (BRC) is a organization that was established back in 1987 by Clark Collins, it's Executive Director. Working with other Idaho organizations, Clark planned to unite all motorized recreationalists and resource industries to fight the threats to our sport and land in Idaho. He was motivated to start the Blue Ribbon Coalition when one of our political representatives told him that the motorized recreationists were *POLITICALLY INSIGNIFICANT*. He realized that by joining forces with other interest groups, he could prove them wrong.

Through hard work and the distribution of the Blue Ribbon Magazine, the organization grew first regionally, then nationally. The BRC is a nationwide organization (with approximately 5000 members) that represents 500,000 motorized recreationist and resource users that work with land managers to provide recreation opportunities. The main advantage of the BRC is that there is strength in numbers and in diversity. Off-highway motorcyclists, snowmobilers, ATVers and 4-wheel drive enthusiasts working together on OHV issues can present a stronger front than any one group working by itself.

The monthly BlueRibbon Magazine carries articles and information on a wide range of recreation and multiple use issues. It keeps the members informed and aware of how much everyone has in common though we have different interests, and live in different parts of the country. If you would like to join or just want more information about BRC, you can contact me (@ (405) 769-3328) or call BRC at (800)-BLUE RIB. In light of the things happening at Zink Ranch, it is happening more and more right here in our back yards. GET INVOLVED, join a club or an organization like the Blue Ribbon Coalition. (Editor's Note: For more info on the latest from the BRC see the "Letter From the Editor" and the ad on the next page).

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ROAD TRIP!

One of the best things about riding enduros in different areas is the variety of terrain, towns and people that you see. When time and finances permit, I like to take in an out of the way enduro and Have Fun! Well, while scanning DIRT PILOT (a Mississippi based off road magazine, (601) 769-8181 for more info) I saw an ad for an enduro in Roselawn, IN. After scanning a map I found it to be not 60 miles from my old stomping grounds near Lake Michigan. Well a quick phone call to Jeff Fredette (in nearby Illinois) and I found out he actually puts on the event!! Jeff graciously faxed me the following information:

UPCOMING GREAT LAKES ENDURO SERIES EVENT!!

"The event will be held in Roselawn, Indiana on August 13th. It is put on by the Hill & Gully Enduro Riders and will consist of sandy terrain with open to tight woods. It is a good beginner to expert level enduro. For more info contact Jeff Fredette @ (708) 946-0999."

Looking at a map, the event is about 240 miles NNE of St. Louis. Since the BJEC has no events in July or August, I have already made plans to be there. If you are the adventurous type, start making plans to attend this event. Remember, it's a lot cooler than Texas in the summer. For those die-hard travelers I will be glad to point you to the best place for ribs!

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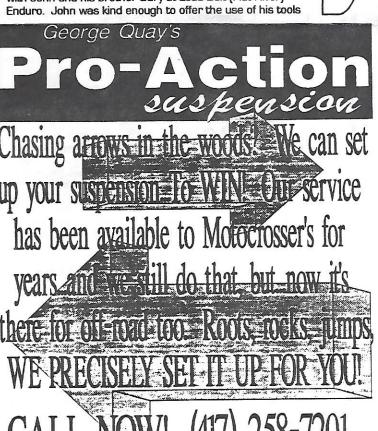
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LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

Greetings Black Jack Enduro Circuit members!

June is upon us and the year is almost half over. Who said you had to be having fun for time to fly?? Lots of things going on in the circuit as we approach our mid-summer break. Before I being I wish to extend my TREMENDOUS THANKS to John Dennington. I had the pleasure of riding with John and his brother Gary at Lead Belt (Flat River) Enduro. John was kind enough to offer the use of his tools



when my shifter decided to come loose trailside and leave me with two choices. First and neutral. My 10mm open end was strategically located back in my truck. You wouldn't believe the increase in performance I felt by leaving that 4 ounce tool behind. NOT!! Anyway, thanks again John!

Next on the list is to welcome a few new advertisers. The first one, ACTION HONDA in Bentonville, Arkansas, actually joined us last issue. The other new advertiser is FREDETTE RACING (aka Jeff Fredette). You KDX200 riders ought to be familiar with Jeff. We would like to welcome them on board and express our appreciation to them and all our advertisers for supporting this newsletter and our circuit. When you patronize our advertisers please tell them you saw their ad in the newsletter!

Next item. While pondering life and other associated things, my thoughts turned back to motorcycles and I thought. .."Hey, wouldn't it be cool if we could get video clips from all the races and show them at next years banquet!" I don't know how many people haul a camcorder around to races, but if you or someone you know has clips of this year's events, please give me a call. I will try to get copies of the tapes and edit them together. So get out there and start filming!

We will be covering race results in our next issue since we will be having a long break until then.

At the end of Stormy Sims article "What's Happening" I mentioned there are a few more things going on. About a week ago I received a long letter from the Blue Ribbon Coalition (BRC) about the Endangered Species Act (ESA). This act prevents motorized recreation in millions of acres of land. The situation is this: The U.S. Congress is preparing to debate the reauthorization of the ESA. The environmentalists want NO CHANGES. The BRC needs our help now! Call the BRC @ (800) BLUE -RIB to find out more on how you can help!

Make your plans now to attend the **PINEY WOODS ENDURO** on June 25th. This event, part of the SERA circuit, is relatively open, running through tall pine trees. It is located east of Leesville, LA. Call John Reed @ [504] 767-1850 for more information.

I received an E-Mail item from the Rocky Mountain Enduro Circuit (RMEC) via Ray Fagan @ DIRT PILOT. The RMEC is trying to raise money to support Colorado's ISDE riders and keep public land available. They are going to hold a raffle and the winners get to spend a day and a half with MALCOLM SMITH!! For more info on this call Dennis Larratt @ (303) 470-5770.

Speaking of the ISDE, is there anyone in the BJEC planning on attending?

We would like to express our sympathy to BJEC member Monty LeFlore. Monty's mother passed away last week. Monty is employed at the YAMAHA SPORTSCENTER in Texarkana, TX.

The second Southern Dirt Summit is coming up on August 5th. This is an event that gathers all the OHV "movers and shakers" together for various discussions. Randy Harden of the NOHVCC will be one of the speakers. For more info, call Ray Fagan @ (601) 769-8181.

Many thanks to our Chairman Randy Presthus. I have seen every BJEC event covered in CYCLE NEWS and even a short article on our 20th Anniversary in DIRT RIDER.

There are a lot of things happening around the circuit. Get in touch with your club rep to find of what's going on!!

My continued THANKS to Stormy Slms for his contribution to KEYTIME. His article "WHAT'S HAPPENING" covers various environmental topics that affect us all.

Once again, I feel as if I am forgetting something. It will come to me the day after I visit the printer. Anyway, I encourage you to drop me a line if there is something you would like to see.

David Clemens BJEC Newsletter Editor

STILL LOST ?

Lost at the Bear Creek Enduro: Brand new, purple FOX fanny pack. It was left at the scoring table. If you know it's whereabouts, please contact Steve Travis @ (918) 258-4774w, or (918) 451-5079.

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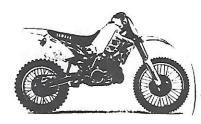
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1995 BJEC SCHEDULE

Mar 5	Bear Creek Endruo Kirby, AR
Mar 18	BJEC Banquet Fayetteville, AR
Mar 19	White Rock Enduro Cass, AR
Mar 26	Jimmy Jack Enduro St. Joe, TX
Apr 9	Crosstimbers Enduro Oklahoma City, OK
May 7	Golden Eagle Enduro Stillwater, OK
May 21	Lead Belt Enduro Flat River, MO
Jun 4	CANCELLED
Jun 18	Tank Slapper Enduro Little Rock, AR
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Open Letter to the Members of the BLACK JACK ENDURO CIRCUIT

The Trailblazers, M.C. of Ft. Worth-Dallas, sponsors of the Jimmy Jack Enduro on March 26, 1995, near St. Jo, TX. want to express our appreciation to the BJEC riders that attended our enduro. The near record attendance and the cooperation of mother nature in not totally raining out the event combined to make the Jimmy Jack Enduro successful.

We would like to thank all of the Blackjack riders who attended, but we are especially proud of the riders who drove a long way (even by Texas standards) to ride our event. They include 1 from Illinois, 1 from California, 5 from Colorado, 17 from Kansas, 23 from Missouri, 55 from Oklahoma, 33 from Arkansas, and 7 from Louisiana. We feel that the support shown by the Blackjack Enduro Circuit is a major factor in the success and continuation of the Jimmy Jack Enduro. We look forward to continuing to be a part of the BJEC and working to make adjustments between the rules for AMA, BJEC, and TSCEC so that riders in both circuits are fairly treated and accurately receive their circuit points. If you have any suggestions for improving our event, please call me at 817-488-4225 (work) or 817-481-1026 (home) or you can reach me by mail at 2420 Greenbough Dr., Southlake, Tx.



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76092. Your comments would be greatly appreciated, particularly in any area that you feel has a conflict of rules between BJEC and TSCEC.

Speaking for my self and several other Trailblazers, we anticipate riding more BJEC events, since they offer very challenging and varied riding terrain as well as different enduro techniques. I would like to recommend our West Texas enduros to any of you who might be looking for a change of terrain. They are an entirely different topography and might be interesting to someone used to tight, woods trails. If you would like more information about any of the TSCEC events, I would be glad to help in any way, or you can call our circuit headquarters at 1-800-55-TSCEC.

While reading the current issue of Cycle News the Trailblazers and I were pleased to read the article about the Jimmy Jack Enduro written by Randy Presthus, your President. We are all proud of the article and really appreciate his effort in writing the article and submitting it to Cycle News. Keep up the good work, Randy.

Again I want to thank everyone who attended our event and we invite you to join us next year.

Sincerely,

Gary Webb President Ft. Worth Trailblazers



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