

## NATE RAUBA

**NAME**: Nate Rauba **D.O.B.**: 5/12/63

OCCUPATION: Factory Writer (of Kawasaki technical info,

product F&Bs and other Factory documents)

**YEAR YOU STARTED RIDING: 1976** 

FIRST BIKE: 1975 YZ80 bought in 1976 with money

earned from delivering papers

FAVORITE BIKE(S): Past-1981 RM125, Present-KX250F

FIRST RACE: Corona Raceway, 1977 or 1978; on a 1975 YZ80. Actually attempted 1st race at DeAnza Cycle Park. Had no clue there was a practice schedule, went out in an early session and got stuck in the mud on a deeply-disced uphill. Loaded up and went home in frustration. Second try at Corona almost as bad - couldn't figure out why so many guys (on big bikes) were yelling at me in practice. Fortunately it was my first race with the high school team and one of my teammates took me out in the correct practice group.

FAVORITE TRACK: Corona Raceway. The hills were dimly lit, but my eyesight was good. A few friends helped light the track with some "moons" on one occasion. Laughed so hard almost rode off the track on the downhill sweeper.

CURRENT RACE BIKE: Kawasaki KX250F

WHEN DID YOU START RACING WITH ARX? 2011 WHAT DO YOU LIKE BEST ABOUT ARX? Camaraderie, "Done by 1"

**WHAT'S YOUR ROLE WITH ARX?** Official clutch-burner at Glen Helen (I don't hold the gate thaaat long, do I?!); Bret Bonham's office confidant.

**HOW MUCH TIME DO YOU VOLUNTEER?** All day at Glen Helen events

**WHY DO YOU VOLUNTEER?** Kids (actually young adults now) are flagging, so I might as well work too!