

Notes on Spokes



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Danny Overturf hits the water at Marshfield

TIDBITS

Stolen Bikes: Johnnie Friebe had the following two motorcycles and many tools stolen from his garage:

1998 KX 250 – VIN: JKAKXMKC5WA028490

Engine: KX250KE020898

1997 KLX300 – VIN: JKALX8AIZVA000754

If you hear anything or a deal sounds too good to be true, Johnnie's phone number is 417-833-3150.

Duck says, "Next time, I'm going to make sure my bike starts before I pay my entry fee." If you don't know Duck, he's Mike Edwards and has been riding long enough to already know this.

OK, imagine this, you're putting on a winter racing series with your brother (Allen Haynes) and two good friends (Jobi Windmiller and Jerry Sharp) called the Hill Billy Grand Prix. You're going to be working on the trail just north of where the editor of this famous newsletter is published. The editor (me) calls you and asks: "Are you going to be working on the trail today?" You say, "Sure, we're going to start in about an hour." I say, "Great, I'll meet you. It's a beautiful day." Then you don't show up! Casey, you are slammed! You should have known better.

Thanks go to the Ozark Mountain Trail Riders for their prayers

and generosity during the recent accident our family was involved in. The donation was greatly appreciated. Rick and Andrea Adams.

Correction: Ever since I started doing this newsletter, I spelled calendar – "calender". Then, my wife, you know the one – she has a masters degree in English and works for a newspaper, says calendar is spelled "calendar". When I inform her it's always been that way and she proof's it. So, it's her falt!

The above paragraph was not proofed by Linda. I wanted to wait until the newsletter was in print, before she saw that she got slammed.

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Nerd Stuff

Notes on Spokes/OMTRA has a web site – “www.ipa.net/~bfuerst”. I signed up for a new Internet service and it included a free web site. Now, I didn’t get to pick the name for the free site. It was assigned, so that’s why it’s kinda weird. I also have a new e-mail address – “spokes@ipa.net”. I’ll be keeping the old one through January, but after that you’ll have to use the new one.

Since this web site is free, I’m not allowed to put any advertising on it or classified ads. Maybe, if I can get enough interest from the advertisers to cover the costs, I’ll expand it to include more stuff.

I’m new to this web-site stuff, but I can take the movie clips from my digital camera to the computer. I have already put a clip on that I took down in Texas at the last BJEC. It is Greg Lowe going through a creek very close to the start. The web-site gives me so many more options than I have in print. Besides the movie clips, of course I get to work with color. Going to color in print is so much more expensive.

I’ve also been sending out bunches of e-mail lately. I have my computer set up to send to everyone with e-mail. For example, if a race gets cancelled, I can e-mail everyone in just a few minutes. If you have not been getting my e-mails, then I don’t have your e-mail address. If you want to be included on my list, send me an e-mail. I’ll be glad to add you to the list.

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Toys for Tots



As always, the real winners are the kids. Here are the toys we collected.

The annual Toys for Tots was held December 12th at Radical Rob's Motocross Park, Halfway, MO. Despite rainy and muddy conditions, turnout was good.

The course consisted of parts of the motocross track, woods sections and a grass track section. The woods sections were pretty open, but the mud and ruts made things challenging in parts. It did not get very bad, but still on the second go-around,

parts of the creek section were rerouted.

The event consisted of two one-hour motos with the trail reversed for the second moto.

Off-road riding got some good public relations from the event also. My wife, Linda, is a reporter for the Bolivar Herald-Free

Dale Rector Jr. takes the moto-cross track.



Here's a copy of the picture that appeared in the Bolivar newspaper. That's Cliff Davis taking the first corner. Antlers and all.

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Toys for Tots, cont.

Press. Since this was in Polk county, where the paper is located, she was able to get a picture of the event in the paper.

Here's someone I haven't seen for a while; Wanye Bendorf rides for the kids.



Hey, Barbecue Bill

In October, Bart Williams, Dr. Charles McKenzie and I met with the Forest Service and Keith Dupont of the Corps of Engineers to discuss the possibility of obtaining a grant for trail relocation and a sewer system for Cobb Ridge camp ground. Well, things have moved along quite well.

The Corps of Engineers are contributing their time. What does this mean? 35 engineers for 7 days, 10 hours per day. Plus equipment. Working on the trail relocation. So, they are pretty much going to move in. The Forest Service is going to provide materials and guidance.

We, the Ozark Mountain Trail Riders, have been asked to help. Time contributed counts toward the grant and we have been asked to contribute some time. What do we need? We need your commitment. This is currently scheduled for June. No exact date has been set yet. After working 10-hour days, the engineers are going to be hungry, and we have been asked to cook for them. The cost of the food has been added to the grant. But, we need to get organized and plan on having three members per day to cook dinner and hopefully breakfast.

So we are going to need 21 members (3 per day) to step forward and sign up for this. I'll have more as things settle down and the dates get set.

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The +40 class heads for the first creek crossing; Santa Claus, AKA John Gott leads Randall Mathis and Bob Fuerst. Terry Brumley is already gone.

By Bob Fuerst

I really hadn't planning on riding the first Hill Billy Grand Prix at Marshfield, MO. It was the morning after the OM-

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TRA Christmas Party, plus the fact that I had not loaded the bike. Nor had I mixed fuel or packed any riding gear. But I got my butt out of bed at 6:30 to do all of the above and got there in time to sign up and ride the parade lap.

The promoters had laid out a four-mile course. Both the ATVs



Hang on Anthony! Here's Anthony Meyer on his way to winning the sub 200 cc class.

and motorcycles rode the same course. So it was kind of open for the bikes. It consisted of woods trails, the standard stuff, rocks and roots. We also crossed the creek about four times. They also set up some grass track sections. Participants rode two motos, consisting of three laps each. First the bikes, then the ATVs. Then, get this, they had a lunch break. Then the bikes rode their second moto followed up by the ATVs second moto.

One of the ideas behind this format: attract new riders. They were successful, as you can see by the size of the beginner class.

My first moto was pretty uneventful. It was during the second moto that I got some free entertainment. Coy Workman, made famous in this newsletter by Randy Presthus as TA or Tiny Advenger. As the name implies, Coy is inseam-impaired. There was one creek crossing that had been filled with logs to make a bridge. It was OK for the first moto, but the ATVs made things difficult the second time around.

Anyhow, Coy goes into the creek just in front of me, hits something and the legs go out. But they don't touch anything. Well, they hit the water just before Coy's head did. It was a cold swim.

If you missed this race, the next one is scheduled for January 16 at Lu's Place, north of Bolivar. Be there.



This is Coy Workman, before swim.



OMTRA Stuff



The Ozark Mountain Trail Riders go bowling. Being the classy folks we are, Brian Sharp, social committee, set up the annual Christmas party for Dec. 18 at Enterprise Bowling lanes in Springfield, MO. What did you expect, opera?

Brian did a good job getting things set up. We all had good barbecue with all the fixings. Then things got interesting. We started bowling. What did you think, we rode motorcycles?

Dale Willis showed up with his own ball and shoes. He knew what he was doing, the cherry picker. He had the high score of the evening with a 198. It was the rest of us that entertained the place. Some of us thought we were playing golf and low score wins. Either that or they were thinking of founding the Society for the Ethical Treatment of Bowling Pins. They thought that actually hitting and knocking down pins was a cruel act.

Then we had the gift exchange. If you brought a \$5.00 gag gift, that was your ticket to get a \$5.00 gift from one of your closest friends. As you can see from the pictures, some of these folks got pretty creative.



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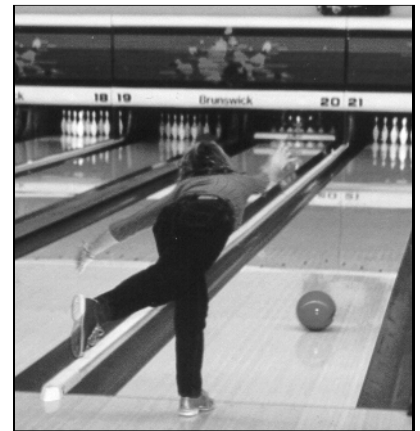
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The Ozark Mountain Trail Riders doing what they do best; eating. In the foreground left to right we have Karl Harris, Randell Mathis and Darin House.



Joy Reynaud shows her best side.



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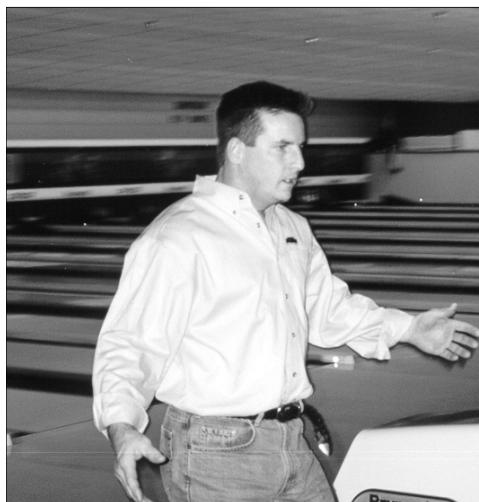
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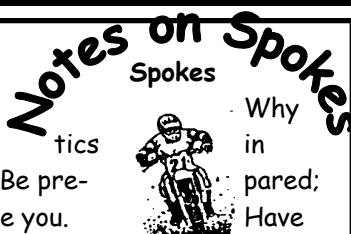
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