



Karratha BMX Club ***2007***

Hi everyone and welcome back to BMX racing. Round 2 of the 2007 season has started and it is great to see the enthusiasm has not diminished. Unfortunately, numbers are a little down on last season, but I am sure they will pick up again in the near future. Perhaps a little reminder to those who haven't come down yet could be the trick.

This round is very busy with two rounds of the North West Championships being run, the State titles in Byford and our club presentation night and wind up, not to mention our club meets on Friday nights.

North West Championships

Round 2 of the N.W. Championships will be held on the weekend of September 8 and 9 in Tom Price. Nominations for this round are a little down to date, but I am confident they will pick up. I would encourage everyone to have a go and experience a different track. The Tom Price track is long and has some big jumps, but it is quite easy to ride once you get used to it.

The Tom Price club have informed me that they are planning a Bar B Cue tea on Friday night at the track and a "gathering" on the Saturday night also. The social atmosphere will no doubt be enthusiastic.

I have received confirmation that Karl Mustchin will be at the track and the clinics with him will go ahead. Don't forget to identify on your nomination form your intentions of attending this clinic. Last round was great and the feedback was excellent. I am sure all who attended got some positives out of it.

If you didn't compete in round 1 (Karratha), you are still able to compete in the Tom Price event as long as you hold a National license.

See you all in Tom Price.

Round 3 of the Championships will be held back here in Karratha in October. The committee have been busily working on the planning and one or two special events are in the pipeline for that weekend. Again, I encourage everyone to compete / attend this event. More details later.

State Titles

This year, the State Titles are being held at Byford, south of Perth. To date, I believe we have approximately 10 riders nominated from Karratha which is fantastic. As this is the first time for a lot of these athletes and families, I am arranging with Byford to have a tent set up for the clubs' use. This gives all of us a central point of contact and enables all of us to help each other out mechanically, heats preparedness and so on. Traditionally, the State Titles will start with a parade of riders. The riders participate in a March past under the club banner. It is fantastic for the riders and the parents to see and or be involved with this and it helps everyone to take hold of the event. It would be fantastic if ALL riders can be at the Byford track to participate in this.



Fenacling

For all who participated in the Fenacling parade, well done. The feedback I have received has been nothing but excellent. Some Karratha people did not even know the club existed until then, so well done to all. By being involved in these community events helps to get the club out there within the community. This inturn helps all of us by hopefully attracting new riders, corporate interest and so on. It is all a P.R exercise I guess.

W.A. Corrosion

I like to take this opportunity to highlight the valuable resource the club has in W. A. Corrosion. Don and Lesley have been involved in the sport and in particular, the club since Noah was on training wheels. Their dedication and support to our club is phenomenal. So much so, I received a call from Don recently telling me not to worry about reimbursement for items he purchased for the N.W. Championships, to include the two way radio head sets. He stated he would rather see the club money be spent on the kids.

Don and Lesley are Life members of the club. To achieve this in such a transient environment such as the one we live in here in Karratha is an outstanding feat on its own.

To Don and Lesley, on behalf of the club I would like to say, THANK YOU. Your enthusiasm and support is greatly appreciated.

Code of Conduct

It is pleasing to see the support our riders are getting from friends and family at the track. It is even more pleasing to see there is no "ugly parent syndrome" suffers amongst us. I must compliment **ALL** supporters on their code of conduct while at the track. This attitude will only benefit the riders and the club, so thank you, well done and keep up with the good work

Help on the track

Again I must thank the parents who willingly volunteer to be marshals for our club meets. I call it a labour of love, but they are roles that must be filled before we race and without your support in this there would be no racing. Thanks to one and all.

We have a busy season ahead and its time I stopped dribbling on, so have a great season riders, enjoy the sport and keep up the good times we are all having.

See you on the track

Michael Gooden

President