

Hi Guv's

The Hilltoppers and I would like to thank everyone who came out to the track to work on the re-model of the stage. The construction work went very well and is complete for the walls with windows and the two stairs on the east side. However, Pee Wee's paint party Sunday did not get completed due to the rain, but they did get all of the raw wood sealed except the steps and some of the yellow paint (water based) that was completed, ended up on the concrete when it started to rain. The finish paint will have to be done on a sunny weekend. The next tentative scheduled work party looks like the weekend of the 3-13 & 14 and/or 3-20 & 21 the week end Brian has scheduled for the heavy equipment from the City to work the course. I will keep you informed of what days and week ends we need to be there

for what work. Again, Thanks to everyone for your hard work.

Hilltoppers MC Grand Prix 29 Palms April 3rd -4th



Dave Oakleaf is going to book 30 rooms at the Motel 6 on route 62 in 29 Palms. If you would like to get one of these rooms, please let him know. He will put you on the list. Club will be going on several work excursions to the track to get the place



ready. There is some talk of enclosing the stage area and putting a roof on it to run sign up. Please contact Harry to get on any of those committees. We are looking to see if we can get specialized assistance within the club. If you can do something that we would normally have to pay somebody to do, let Jim Coleman know so he can put you into the correct spot. Obviouly, profit is not the name of this game here, but losing money sucks too!

We need qualified water truck drivers. If you can help, please call me and I will sign you up.

Club Banguet! Club Ride? **Pioneer Town** Yucca Valley May 8th, 2004



Pete has secured the hotel at pioneer town for our club banquet and 2003 Awards ceremony. You should have already received your party flyer for this event. The rooms go fast. Please make your reservations as soon as possible. If you have some awards you would like to give out make sure you bring them with you. Now the next Item of business would be a club ride to pioneer town. Is anybody interested? Let me know and we might have a little excursion up rattlesnake canyon the day of the party. We will have plenty of chase support. Seems like a good Idea to me.

Dirt Diggers MC Grand-Prix Taft, CA Jan. 31st & Feb 1st

Story by the Road Captain, Mark Slater

We had a good turnout, Jack and James, Bruce and Alex and friend Mikey. Father Mike, Harry, Pee Wee, Ronnie Smith with his friend Neal and his son Justin, Norm, Danny, Dan Arcese, Scott and Myself. I hope I didn't miss anyone.

Racing was great! It rained on and off Friday night, which made for slightly slippery conditions Saturday. Ronnie Trophied in Saturdays Un-classified, 24th place out of 300 plus, ran up font with the likes of Casselli, Ty Davis, Paul Krause, Bobby Bonds, Esposito, Hengeveld, Campbell, Woods, Lanza, Crawford and lots of other fast guys. He also placed second in his Vet Amateur class, after a first place start and great Battle back and fourth

with Yamaha rider named Layton. Ronnie if you get this message, the results were corrected after I told Bateman they missed a lap for you. You went from 7th to 2nd after they looked at the lap sheets.

Norm raced for his first time in the Sunday unclassified and I think the four-stroke class, which he Trophied in, even after a pretty good crash. Great Job Norm, It took me 2 1/2 years to finally get a trophy.

We had a lot of Hilltoppers in the 3rd race Saturday, Myself, Harry, Bruce, Alex, James, and Bruce's Neighbor Mikey. I am not sure if anyone Trophied, I know I didn't, 12th out of 50. I think maybe James Trophied, he is getting very fast, Look out Scott Slater, I think you're going to have some 125 competition soon. Speaking of Scott, he had a great race. He got a good, 6th place start and worked his way up to fourth place. He made a pass with 3 corners to go on a Viking, at the end.

Danny raced his new OLD Ellsinore in the vintage race with blue jeans and his club sweater, Told me he really enjoyed racing the \$100.00 machine against the likes of Pee Wee, Harry, Jack, Bruce and even Alex who just got an old Yamaha 175 Enduro. The Dirt Diggers put on a great event, and a good time was had by all! You got to love a racetrack with a full on Bar! Looking forward to another good turnout at the Prairie Dogs G.P. at Glen Helen 3/6 and 3/7.



Score International San Felipe 250 February 26th-28th

To say "a good time was had by al"; I would be a gross understatement. This was a fantastic trip. Most everyone left early Thursday morning in a heavy down poor that lasted until we got over the pass on highway 8. From that point on it was clear sailing. We ended up staying at Pete's Camp just above San Felipe and if you don't mind camping, it was a great place to stay. Campfires and BBQ's were abounding.

Race day, the Hilltoppers took over Honda Pit three at the top of the Puerto Sedus Road. We gassed the eventual race winner, Steve Hengeveld/Johnny Campbell and their XR 650 along with 13 other motorcycles. All pits were fast and we had no major catastrophes. Thanks to Steve Vince, Christian Lee, and Olaf Lee for their help. We represented very well for the club.





Steve Hengeveld





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SCORE Desert Series Round 1: San Felipe 250 February 28, 2004



When you can't be in two places at once, how do you decide where to race? For Johnny Campbell and the rest of the Honda Off-Road Team, it's location, location, location.

This weekend found two important series having races on the same morning. To make the decision more difficult, Campbell and partner Steve Hengeveld were the defending champions in both races. But in the end, they chose to spend their time in San Felipe for SCORE's San Felipe 250 because the town on the shore of the Gulf of California is generally a warm, relaxing place to spend time when not pre-running or racing. In fact, they usually take their families, who spend the week leading up to the race vacationing

The race itself was business as usual for the Red Riders who kicked off the SCORE Desert Series with another San Felipe overall motorcycle victory-the sixth for Campbell and the fourth straight for Hengeveld-their winning motorcycle time being four hours, nine minutes and 42 seconds.

"I started first off the line and really pushed the first 30 miles to try to get a cushion on the field," Hengeveld explained. And the strategy worked, as he and Campbell simply extended their lead all morning."It was a lot of fun this time," Campbell said afterward. "The rain earlier in the week made the wash wet; it made it a little different than the usual dry sand and rock."

The XR650R-mounted duo's lead was never really threatened, allowing them to ride well within their limits on the extremely rough course.

"When you have a lead you don't want to jeopardize, so if you back off by five or 10 percent, you're less likely to make a mistake," Campbell pointed out. "No sense in taking a risk if you don't have to."

Campbell and Hengeveld led another XR650R sweep of the top four overall motorcycle spots at San Felipe. In addition, teams riding the XR650R won four of the five pro motorcycle classes contested, the sole exception being Class 21 (250cc) for which they aren't eligible.

San Felipe 250 Official Results

- 1. Johnny Campbell/Steve Hengeveld -Honda XR650R-4.09.42
- 2. Christopher Blais/Chuck Dempsey/Beau Hayden-Honda XR650R-4:30:54
- 3. Louie Franco/Jeff Kaplan/Jim O'Neal/Tim Withers-Honda XR650R-4:39:26
- 4. Gerardo Rojas/Sergio Vega—Honda XR650R—4:51:05 5. Jim McIntosh/Tom Willis—KTM 525 MXC—4:59:02





Schedule of up coming events:



HBMC Desert Scrambles Lucerne March 14th



Dirt Diggers Hare Scrambles Red mountain March 28th



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Rovers **Desert Scramble** Lucerne April 11th











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Hilltoppers **Club Banquet Pioneer Town** May 8th





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*1996-95 ATK 350- Pee Wee Thomas - 560 Cam Ported and Polished/Extra Dehoned 10.5 to 1 compression, Electric Start, New Battery, Scott's Stabilizer, Talon Hubs, Pro Taper Bars, New tires, 3.8 Gal tank, street legal current, Green sticker, Lots of extra stuff- \$3500

*2001 Honda XR 650- Scott Hamby- Heavy springs in front and rear. The stock suspension is still in a box. Extra-stock tank and plastics. Lots of extra stock parts. \$3300.

*2001 Yamaha YZ 85-Jim Coleman-Boysen Reeds, Head work, Ported and polishe

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