

Reno National



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The Reno Chapter currently has 81 members. There are still a bunch who race the BMX vet class who are missing out on what OTHG can offer. If you know or race against someone who is not a member, encourage them to become a member.

We have been out at a few events to get our presents out there. We have been out at the BMX races at BMX and the Stadium GP. The big event for May for the Reno Chapter was the OTHG National over Memorial Day Weekend.

The National was a hit this year with the return to the Sandbox. We had 214 entries. There was 63 from Sierra, 35 from Bay, 32 from South, 21 from Valley and 27 from Reno with 26 riders in support.

Here is a few words from Reno OTHG President Layne Kolbet (66R) 52+Expert: *The 2024 Reno OTHG National marked my 26th national with this club. It was one of the most organized and efficient I'd ever been a part of. It was smooth sailing. It's hard to get used to not running the event, but the fact of the matter is that it has gotten more streamlined each and every year. Aaron Bissell had everything so inline and ready to go that the REP racing scoring crew was bored and ready to start racing by the time practice started Saturday morning.*

The turnout was solid, a bit down from last year but still good. To improve on next year, we need to add big bike support to Friday's practice and add minis to the women's practice. For those who

Monthly Meeting

First Tuesday of each Month:
Where: Pizza Plus 519 E Prater Way, Sparks NV 89431. Pizza is served at 6:30pm
Meeting at 7:00pm.

2024 BOARD

President: Layne Kolbet
V.P.: Jeff Mitchell
Secretary: Aaron Bissell
Treasurer: Claire Petrie
Race Dir.: Tyler Pizorno
Co Race Dir.: Blair Richardson
Statistician: Ken Gourley
Web Mast.: Blair Richardson

2024 OTHG National Schedule

~~RD. 1 South National~~
~~March 16-17, 2024~~
~~Honolulu Hills~~

~~RD. 2 Sierra National~~
~~April 20-21, 2024~~
~~Prairie City~~

~~RD. 3 Reno National~~
~~May 25-26, 2024~~
~~Fernley Sandbox~~

RD. 4-Bay National
August 31- Sept. 1, 2024
Argyll MX

RD. 5-Valley National
October 26-27, 2024
DT-1



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make the trip we should capitalize on it and offer them practice. Plus, we have plenty of time to add them.

The track layout was fun, and bumps made it even more challenging. I had only one person make a comment that wasn't bad or good. They just found it too busy. The majority had nothing but good to say and appreciated it.



Friday during track prep one of the REP racing dozers started acting funny. They thought the fuel pump might have been going out, so Dale hauled ass into Reno, bought one, and rushed back. They had a mechanic come out and work on it Saturday at the track, but that didn't seem to fix it. Zeb hopped into his truck and headed to Riverfront to unload a trailer, then turned and burn to Prairie City to grab another dozer and back to Fernley. He got to Fernley around 2am and started finishing grooming, which he finished at 5:30ish in the morning. He took a quick nap and was out making sure practice was going. All to ensure the track was in perfect condition.

The shirts and programs were top notch! Jason Rubero did a fantastic job with the design and coordinating of both getting done. We opted for a higher quality t-shirt this year, it was only about



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two bucks more, but they are way nicer! SPD (Screen Printing Done) did a great job with getting them printed and to us. Neil and his crew are awesome to work with.



Claire organized an excellent taco truck. Their drawback was they showed up late and were a touch on the slow side but those are all things that could be addressed, such as start serving food by 4:30 and have them park far enough away so that the generator isn't so loud. That damn thing was crazy! Lol!! But the tacos were on par!

The raffle was good, and we got it done before the sun disappeared. Gary Plaatje was a huge help in getting that done! This year we shot for quality not quantity. We gave away some cool stuff! We gave away a bunch of tires, three TV's, stands and a Bell Moto-10 helmet just to mention a few things. One thing we need to

do is get that stuff out on the table earlier in the day to help boost ticket sales. We got some great sponsors for this event! Check them out on our website.



Each year we have a few that stand out from their peers. Our first was Kyle Wyatt. After a long hiatus due to health issues, he came back to racing. He came back strong, dominating his class, and with that welcome to +45 Intermediate class. Order up some new backgrounds... Next. I've known this guy for many years and raced against him in all those years. There is no higher honor than to congratulate 222R Tony Fagundes on another dominating national race weekend and welcoming him to the +52 Master class. He deserves a huge pat on the back! He rode awesome! He has now hit the pinnacle of classes in the OTHG and he worked his way there. Which is no easy feat. Congratulations!!

Saturday afternoon we received a call from a softball team that was playing in a tournament in Fernley looking for a pitcher, and asking if Tori was available. The softball fields are just on the other side of the train tracks. After talking to the rest of the board, it was on! We were at the softball field by 7am and the game was at 8am. Tori pitched her first 18u (which is high school level) game. She pitched the whole game and led the team to a win 13-1. After the game we ripped over to the track, and helped with what we could. The win led them to another game. We went back and Tori played, after that we went back over to help wrap up the national. Passed out Master's winnings and trophies, a great way to wrap it all up.



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In closing- It was a great weekend, and I'm proud to be a part of such an amazing group. The Armstrong's and crew did a fantastic job, plus its awesome to be back at the Sandbox. We are the smallest club and put on the best national! A special thanks to Claire, Blair, Jason, Ernie, Jeromie and Aaron for going the extra mile!

*Peace-n-wheelies,
Layne Kolbet #66*



2024 Race Schedule

2024 BMX Race Schedule

Rd.	Date	Club	Location
1	*3/16-17	WMX	Winnemucca
2	3/30/31	REP	Sandbox
3	4/13-24		E-Street
4	5/11-12	REP	Sandbox
5	6/8-9	WMX	Winnemucca
6	6/28-29		Elko AX
7	9/7-8	WMX	Winnemucca
8	9/21-22	REP	Riverfront
9	10/5-6	WMX	Winnemucca
10	10/19-20		E-Street
11	11/9-10	REP	Sandbox

* - No OTHG Club Points-Conflict with OTHG National

2024 Bay/Sierra Race Schedule

Date	Club	Track
3/2-4	Bay	Oatfield
3/15-179	South*	Honolulu Hills
4/6-7	Sierra	Prairie City
4/21-23	Sierra*	Prairie City
5/10-11 (F & S)	Sierra	E-Street
5/24-26	Reno*	Fernley
6/8-9	Bay	Club Moto
7/13-14	Sierra	MMX
7/27-28	Bay	Club Moto
8/10-11	Bay	Argyll MX
8/30-9/1	Bay*	Argyll MX
9/14-15	Sierra	Riverfront
	2-Stroke Race	
10/5-6	Sierra	PC
	Cancer Relay	
10/25-27	Valley*	DT1
11/16-17	Bay	Club Moto

*Bold-National Race

2024 Races of Interest

RD	Date	Series	Track
1	5/4-5	R2M	Prairie City
2	8/24	Sat. Night	Riverfront
3	9/7	Sat. Night	Riverfront
4	9/28	Sat. Night	Riverfront
5	10/12	Sat. Night	Riverfront

Mammoth Race Vet Weekend

June 21- Friday Practice

June 22- Saturday Race

June 23- Sunday Race



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Link to renew your Reno OTHG Membership.

<https://renoothg.redpodium.com/2024-reno-othg-membership>



Past Reno #1 Members

- 2023 – Claire Petrie
- 2022 – Aaron Bissell
- 2021 – Aaron Bissell
- 2020 – Claire Petrie
- 2019 – Claire Petrie
- 2018 – Sedanna Losey
- 2017 – Kevin Hargett
- 2016 – Kevin Hargett
- 2015 – Jeston Ponciano
- 2014 – AJ Turnage
- 2013 – Chris Garrenstroom
- 2012 – Layne Kolbet
- 2011 – Jason Shakespeare
- 2010 – Harry Trainor

Trainor Award Recipients

- 2023 – Danny Martin
- 2022 – Layne Kolbet
- 2021 - Aaron Bissell
- 2020 - No Recipient
- 2019 - Blair Richardson
- 2018 - Ed Brink
- 2017 - Aaron Bissell
- 2016 - Jeromie Sorhouet
- 2015 - Allen & Nolan Rudd
- 2014 - Chris Gaarnstoom
- 2013 - Jason Spicier
- 2012 - Marcus Gentry