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**California Enduro Rider Association**

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## **2016 CERA Board**

President – open  
Vice President – open  
Legislative Action Officer – Rick Guidice  
Membership – Robert Jones  
Treasurer – Tony Godrich  
Secretary – Tom Guidice  
Sargent at Arms – Russ Drake  
Referee – Bill McGibbon  
Paul Machi – Pending  
Ed Silva - Pending

## **Our Next Club Meeting**

**March 8, 2016**

**Club Meeting location Black Bear Diner  
Pleasanton, CA**

**Meetings start at 7:00 PM and will generally  
run to about 9:15 PM or so.**

**Black Bear Diner  
5100 Hopyard Rd  
Pleasanton, Ca 94588**

***Check it out. CERA is now on Facebook,  
also check out our web site: [www. Cera.org](http://www.Cera.org)***

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Hi all,

I hope everyone is enjoying the winter months (now spring like weather) and are getting a chance to get out and get some skiing in and get in some winter dirt bike riding.

We held our monthly club meeting on Tuesday February 9, 2016 at the Black Bear Diner in Pleasanton. For those who were unable to attend the meeting I have attached an overview of our meeting minutes.

### **D36 Report: Bill Mc Gibbon**

Reported that the D-36 Awards Banquet was a great success

The 2016 D-36 motorcycle competition schedules are set and can be viewed at the d36.org web site

We had John Davis D-36 Enduro Steward and Russell Brace D-36 Committee Member attending.

The purpose for attending was to fulfill their commitment to attend all D-36 Enduro Club meetings with the purpose of meeting the club members face to face. They also took the opportunity to provide an overview of where they view the future direction of D-36 Enduros.

Russell Brace indicated that he was actively promoting D-36 Enduros for the District to try to help increase new rider interest. Russell provided a printed sample page displaying eventual on-line advertisements for enduro events, He indicated that it was their desire to have D-36 provide prizes for the riders who participated in an effort to help increase rider attendance.

An Off road Enduro Committee is being developed to help address and increase the promotion and advertising of D-36 Enduro Club events. There will be available soon access to Facebook to help communicate event schedules and promote discussions and pictures for these events and also to sponsoring the clubs. A

Russel pointed out that at some point, D-36 Clubs will be using electronic Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) for rider scoring methods to help improve the event scoring process. This a system similar to what is currently being used for scoring at tracking Cross Country events. Russel indicated this is still being worked on but should be ready at some point during 2016/17.

The issue of event date scheduling conflicts was discussed. Event scheduling conflicts mainly between D36 Club Enduro events dates that compete against D-36 Cross Country events, Virginia City and non-district Dual Sport Rides.

Not much of a solution was brought up and most felt there is just not enough weekends available to hold these events on. Bill indicated that D-36 has made several rule changes attempting to address this event scheduling conflict problem.

### **Bruce Brazil - Guest representing CORVA**

Provided an LAO report discussing the Carnegie OHV Park, Clear Creek up-date and OHV Commission personal changes

Several individuals are leaving due to retiring and several are relocation out of state.

Bruce indicated that the Carnegie meeting held in Tracy was well represented by both factions. Those who were in favor of the park expansion for increased OHV use. And those who were strongly oppose to any increased use of OHV activity. Bruce indicated that there were no clear advances in either direction and not much was accomplished. Additional meetings are being discussed that will further delay any opening of the expansion in the near term.

The Clear Creek Riding Area is still under strict access control limiting individuals to minimal access to the area. The main issue is still the exposure to asbestos not only to the riders but to the BLM staff that has to work there.

Bruce also indicated that CORVA has an alternate event insurance option available at a lower cost to CERA. He indicated that if CERA was interested he would be glad to put us in touch with the proper CORVA contacts to investigate the options available to the club.

### **Fools Gold:**

Charlie Hirst has submitted the CERA USFS permit application along with the preliminary course map provided by Rick Guidice. Bill is working on the AMA sanction and insurance. Tony Godrich has moved ahead with the ordering of the 2016 Fools Gold event Finishing Pins.

Bill McGibbon has the Fools Gold event flyer is just about complete. He stated that it is close to being ready for distribution. Bill just needed to confirm the rider event fee and confirmation of the Sign-In hours.

Bill had indicated he has developed an "On-Line" Fools Gold event rider application form for riders to use to enter the 2016 Fools Gold event. This would be used by riders who are savvy using online access. Bill McGibbon and Bob Jones discussed several format requirements necessary to help rider information being produced in an excel sheet for rider number assignment, class separation and drawing rule requirements.

No further business was discussed. Meet adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

**The Fools Gold will be held on Sunday May 1, 2016.** Mark your calendar and plan on signing up early to help us out. We'll be in touch and will be asking for your help.

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Phone: 925-462-6824

- Will you be able to attend? Yes/No? **Please let me know one way or the other**
- If yes what days will you be able to help out? Thursday, Friday Sat, Sun, Monday.
- Will you be bringing a bike to ride to help with course work? Yes/No?
- We still need Section Leaders, Check help, Course Marking help, Sweep, clean-up, etc....
- Other....

**----- ATTENTION -----**

***It's time FOR ALL OF YOU club members to renew your CERA club membership and also includes all of you CERA Life Members it's time to break out your wallet and contribute your annual donation.***

**NO EXCUSES DO IT NOW!**

**\*\*\*\*\*Keep your club membership active \*\*\*\*\***

**Note to all Club Members (Life Members Included):**

Keep your club membership active. Be sure to renew your **2016 membership** by completing a new membership application. Fill out and send in. See instructions.

You can print out the Membership Application. Complete all of the requested information and mail it to:

California **Enduro** Rider **Association**  
Membership Chairman  
P.O. Box 7683  
Fremont, CA 94537

See "Membership Application" next page.

OR .....

Go to [cera.org](http://cera.org) and use the Donate PayPal using your credit card to pay for your membership dues. It's easy, try it....



California Enduro Riders Association  
 Membership Application  
 P.O. Box 7683  
 Fremont, CA 94537

I hereby apply or reapply for membership in CERA for the year \_\_\_\_\_. I understand that as a CERA member I will not be allowed to participate as an entrant in any competitive events sponsored by CERA. I further agree to comply with and fulfill the minimum requirements as explained below.

**Dues:** Membership expires at the end of December of each year regardless of when joined during the year.  
**Full and New Membership = \$40 per year**  
**Life Members = Free** (Donations strongly encouraged) - Life membership applies after 15 years as a full member.

**Full Member** - Must fulfill, each year, the requirements listed under "Member Obligations".  
**Life Member** - Must fulfill, each year, the requirements listed under "Member Obligations". Life membership is accomplished after completing 15 years as a Full Member.  
**New Member** - Will be on probationary status for a minimum of three (3) months from the date of this application and will have no voting rights during this probation. Probation ends when demonstration of participation occurs.  
**Inactive Member** - Life members that are no longer active.

**Member Obligations:**

1. Attended six (6) CERA general meetings held the second Tuesday of each month and assist in at least one CERA Enduro Meet. Note: The November meeting, day and time TBA, is our annual meeting and attendance is required by all.
2. Or Assist in Both Enduros and at least one other meet hosted by CERA (should a third meet occur) (must still attend the annual meeting)

Please check the items you will participate in with and for CERA in coming year:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Assist At Fools Gold Enduro As Needed  | <input type="checkbox"/> Coordinate And Lead Club Ride(s)                                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Assist At Crazy Miner Enduro As Needed | <input type="checkbox"/> Join A Club Outing(s)   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Assist with Pre-Meet Tasks As needed   | <input type="checkbox"/> Coordinate CERA Members Camping Together At Meets Or CERA Outings |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Attend CERA Meetings                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Join Trail Maintenance Work Parties                               |

**Membership Application (ALL members, full, new and life are required to fill out and submit)**

Name:	D36#:	AMA#:
Address:	Year first joined CERA:	
City, State, Zip:	Riding Class:	
Phone:	Email:	
Spouse / Partner Name:	Official use only	
Signature:	Date:	

(you may electronically sign this document)

Instructions: Complete and email to Bob Jones at: [bobemoto@yahoo.com](mailto:bobemoto@yahoo.com) / Go to <http://www.cera.org> click on the donate button to pay dues (it will be credited to your membership)  
 Thank you, CERA Membership Chairman