



Notable Notes

- Special thanks to the Ramon and Debbie Aguirre family for the fantastic job to buy, store, prepare, BBQ and serve dinner on Saturday evening. The event wouldn't be the same without those delicious fajitas! Thank you, Ramon!
- Special thanks also to Vicky Batchelor for the yummy home-made peach cobbler dessert after the fajitas.
- Assisting the Aguirre family with the serving duties on Saturday night were Shannon Martinez, Wendy Burks, and Vicky Batchelor. Thank you all so very much!
- Bob Duval says that Lynne is doing well but moving slowly after her surgery; and he says that her energy level is coming back. In addition to everything else Lynne had to endure in the operation, the doctors removed 48 lymph nodes. The good news is that tests show everything to be benign and no radiation or chemo-therapy is required. Fortunately for all of us, Lynne had out-of-town friends stay with her during the El Famoso Lone Star Two-Day event so Bob could be trials master for BOTH DAYS! That's commitment above and beyond the call of duty for both Bob and Lynne. Thank you, Bob, and get better soon Lynne! We love ya!
- Thank you to everyone that helped with judging during the El Famoso. Volunteers from Houston, Austin, north Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Missouri, and Arkansas helped with the scoring chores. Kudos to everyone!
- Special recognition goes to Keenan Winters of Arkansas Trials Riders for his judging help. Keenan judged morning AND afternoon sections both days. Way to go, hoss!


Video Highlights

- Like trials without the motorcycle: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4keJWQDOBHY&feature=related>
- Somebody get this dude a trials bike, quick!: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a7Ny5BYc-Fs&feature=rec-fresh>
- My wife drives a Mercedes, hmmm: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s9r865NvVv8&feature=related>
- Don't know what a "flying-W" is? Check at about 3:30 on this video – been there, done that...
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HOoQPbcF8Rk&feature=related>

Upcoming Events (Observed Trials and otherwise...)

- Oct. 18-19: NEOTT October Test Central Regional – <http://www.neott.com> - Langley, OK
- Oct. 25-26: TXTC Trick or Trials Halloween Party, Campfire Fun, and Trial – <http://www.txtc.info>
- Oct. 24-26: NATC Meeting (closed session – by invitation) – Dallas, TX
- Oct. 25: CTTA - Harvest Classic Trial – Luckenbach, TX <http://www.harvestclassic.org>
- Nov. 1-2: Flint Hills Two-Day Central Regional <http://www.avtatrials.com> – Douglass, KS
- Nov. 2: End Daylight Savings Time
- Nov. 4: Election Day
- Nov. 15: ScotTISH Gate Trial – Texhoma Trials Club – Tishomingo, OK – <http://www.txtc.info>
- Nov. 16: Tish Turkey Trial – NTTA – Tishomingo, OK – <http://www.txtc.info>
- Nov. 15: CTTA – Roll Your Own Trial – Hutto, TX
- Dec. 14: TXTC – Texhoma Club Trial – www.txtc.info
- Jan. 10: NTTA Novice Cup – Muenster, TX
- Jan. 11: NTTA President's Cup – Muenster, TX



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October NTTA Meeting Minutes

North Texas Trials Association Meeting Minutes October 4, 2008

Location: Main Pavilion at the 'Second Gate' riding area, Red River Motorcycle Trails MC Park

Attendees:

Mark Schubert	Clark Pittman	Dan Burks	Vicky Batchelor
Wendy Burks	Tom Batchelor	Steve Elms	Anthony Martinez
Bill Kunstmann	Bob Duval	Keith Lewis	B.J. Hawthorne
Willard Kelley	Shannon Martinez	Don Hubbard	

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. by club president, Tom Batchelor.

Tom read the meeting minutes from the September meeting.

- Upcoming club event and meeting dates are as follows:
 - November club meeting – November 6 – meeting at Mercado Juarez in Arlington
 - NTTA event schedule:
 - November 16 Sunday – Club event – Tish Turkey Trial – Tishomingo, OK
 - Note that the TXTC ScotTISH Gate Trial event will be Saturday the 15th
 - January 10 / 11 – NTTA Novice Cup / President's Cup at Muenster – January club meeting Saturday night.
- Lively discussion revolved around the upcoming North American Trials Council (NATC) meeting held here in Dallas October 24 through 26. There was also talk of what actually happens at this meeting and what the charter of the NATC is with respect to the trials community in the United States.
- It was noted that per their charter, the NATC has only two missions:
 - one is to be the governing body that determines the officially recognized national trials champion through a series of club-hosted competition events each year
 - Their second mission is to field and support the United States' Trial des Nations (TdN) team each year
 - The NATC has no other mandated responsibilities.
- It was noted that Bob Duval is the NTTA's representative to the NATC for this year's meeting
- The idea of the NTTA hosting a national competition for the coming year was discussed and put to a vote. All but one of the club members in attendance voted in support of hosting a national event for the coming year.
- Duval was granted the authority to commit the NTTA to host an '09 national during the upcoming meeting if necessary.
- As noted in the last newsletter, the Texas Trials Council was represented at this club meeting by Tom Batchelor and Don Hubbard for the purpose of holding an open discussion for state series competitors about possible changes to the way the series is run. The Texas Trials Council acknowledges the current economic climate and is looking for ideas on changes that might help while keeping interest in the series viable. The following ideas were discussed:
 - Hold the series as four, two-day events where 5 of the 8 events count toward the championship with at least one month between event weekends.
 - Run the series over a one-year period while including regular pre-scheduled events as state series points events. That is, your placing in events like the Novice Cup / President's Cup, the Hot Dog Trial, and the Turkey Trial, etc. would count toward state series points.

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- At least one discussion promoted continuing the current, historical time frame of January through May with dedicated series championship events.
- Have three, two-day series championship events in the spring and three in the fall.
- Have the last state series event of the year be on the Saturday of a two-day weekend and the first event of the next year's state championship on the next day, Sunday.
- Keep the events just as they are (hosted by the same clubs) just spread the events out over a 1 year period instead of the traditional January through May time frame.

The president adjourned the meeting at 8:37 p.m.

NTTA Classified Ads

Contact Clark Pittman prior to the 15th of each month to place an advertisement in the next monthly newsletter (214-616-2206) or email to clark.pittman@gmail.com

- www.mototrialsport.net SHERCO, SCORPA, and MONTESA Hebo "Fajardo Replica" Trials helmet (1) left XXL fits as XL \$152.00, X-Citing Trials helmets (1) white w/graphics SALE priced \$239.(1) med blue solid SALE priced \$199. All solid NZI helmets left in stock SALE priced @ \$140.00. Gaerne Trials oiled blue size 7, \$170.00 Alpine Star white size 7, \$199.00. Hebo blue Fleece Trials jacket one left XL \$60.00. Dunlop Trials rear \$100.00 front \$75.00. Hebo Trials gloves \$28-\$33.00 while they last! Custom number plates for TX Series style and NATC Championship Series. Tom Batchelor (972) 754-9686
- www.motomexusa.com Sales and service, Close out sale on 2008 trials bikes call for pricing and save. 2005 Raga replica 300 in perfect shape low hrs, cream puff, \$5000. Kenyon single bike trailer - list for 2,800 it can be yours for 1,750. Like new, size 7 Gaerne boots in red - list for \$329 asking \$229. 1999 V-Star 1100cc, lot of extras well kept with custom paint \$3795.00 Motomex specializes in trials bikes and accessories, Gaerne, Diorda, Extreme clothing, Michelin, Dunlap Tires, Renthal, Maxima products and many more. Call 214-912- 9005
- **2007 1/2 Sherco 2.9 Cabestany Replica Limited Edition - \$5,595.00** Bought brand new in August 2007; There were only a couple of these imported into the US last year. Has all the 2008 improvements (ignition mapping, fully adjustable rear shock on it) plus a special cylinder head and keihin carburetor. Outstanding condition, runs strong, well maintained, ready to ride, comes with the original plastic that was never rode on; oil was changed every one or two rides, air filter changed every ride; brand new Dunlop tires, new chain; comes with some extra spare parts too. Great shipping rates available and free crating. Call 304-532-7982 or email Ryan Roznovsky at: rdroznovsky@duke-energy.com for pictures.
- **2005 GasGas 125 - \$3,500 OBO** - Good condition, new clutch, new back tire and some new plastics. Tyler is off to UTD and it's time to let someone else enjoy this bike. Contact Anthony Martinez at 972-772-5358
- **2007 Sherco 2.9 - \$5,200.00** – Perfect condition, needs nothing, has new Dunlop tires. Picture available by email Mike Polley, Cedar Hill, TX polley6@tx.rr.com
- **2008 Beta 4-stroke, low hours, 300cc kit, available aluminum pipe - \$7,300 – Ron Lee 918-518-6505** - rlracer4@hotmail.com
- **2008 Sherco 3.2 four-stroke, 20-25 hours, great shape, has the new carburetor – Wayne Thais' bike - \$6,595 – Ron Lee 918-519-6505** - rlracer4@hotmail.com



October 24th - Charity Challenge Trials – at the Harvest Classic Rally

Luckenbach, TX

Come join us in the town of Luckenbach, where everyone is somebody, for a charity trials event at the Harvest Classic Rally! The Harvest Classic is a vintage and European motorcycle rally. In addition to the trials event, there will be a trials demo by the Mizell's and a fantastic bike show. So, there's a lot to see and do. This is the fun event for 2008!

The Harvest Classic is a benefit for charity – for the Candlelighters Childhood Cancer program of Any Baby Can. To date the Harvest Classic has raised over \$100,000 for the families of kids with cancer. The CTTA is a Titanium sponsor of the rally, i.e. we typically raise more than \$1,000 for the Candlelighters each year. So, please help us raise some cash for this very deserving organization. Your entry fee is your donation to the Candlelighters! Ask your friends and family to match your donation! Kim McCandless holds the fundraising record for the Charity Challenge by raising more than \$1,000 in single year! A couple of CTTA riders have raised \$500 for a couple of years running... so, please donate generously and get your friends and family to help! But most importantly – come and ride this event! There's usually a crowd of spectators and you are the show! It's fun riding with cheering spectators!

When: Saturday October 24th, 2008

Start Time: Rider's Meeting at 10:30am

Where:

Luckenbach, TX <http://maps.google.com/maps>

Cost:

Trails Entry fee: A donation of your choice to the Candlelighters

Rally Admission:

- Day pass \$10 per rider
- Pre-register (online) \$25, includes a t-shirt and dinner <http://harvestclassic.org>



AMA Membership is required for all riders (if you are not an AMA member you may become a member at the event)

Sign-up: Should start around 9:30am

Classes: Rookie, Novice, Amateur, Intermediate, Advanced, Expert & Master

Trials Master: Don Hubbard

Camping: Motorcycle (i.e. tent) camping is available along the creek. And RV camping is available in the auto parking lot.

Hotels: Fredericksburg is a fun hill country town that's maybe 15 – 20 minutes away

Google "hotels Fredericksburg TX" to get a list of nearby hotels

Directions: It's in the Town of Luckenbach – behind the general store

Take Hwy 290 W from Austin. Go through Johnson City; go through Stonewall, then turn left (South) on Luckenbach Rd. Luckenbach Rd dead ends into 1376. You can go left or right and then turn on Luckenbach Town Loop.

For more info: Don Hubbard - 512.576.8295 - hubtrials@gmail.com



- Third Annual TXTC -
ScotTISH Gate Trial

Where: Rock Creek Riding area – Tishomingo, Oklahoma 34.270390, -96.736750

When: Sat., Nov. 15 – rider's mtg. at 9:30 a.m. (all classes)

Who: All classes will be accommodated this year, trophies for Rookie, Novice, Amateur, Sr. Amateur, Intermediate, Expert, Sr. Expert, and Master

Entry fee: \$20 for TXTC members, \$25 for non-members

What is it: In this gate trial event, each section will have at least six gates of varying levels of difficulty. Each section will have at least two 5-point, two 10-point, and two 15-point gates. Ride none of them, all of them, or any combination (you can't repeat a gate and you can't cross your tracks). Just by riding into the section you get a 30-point bonus! Brilliant! So, ride in and out... you've just scored 30 points! 30 points! Brilliant! Clean as many gates as you like and you KEEP those points forever! Even if you put a foot down, you can NEVER lose ANY of your gate points! (a clean gate is back axle through the gate). What happens if you dab? Each dab deducts 10 points from your initial 30-point ride-in bonus – that's it. What happens if you "five" a section? Easy, you only lose your initial 30-point bonus and you can't attempt any more gates in that section, but you keep any gate points accumulated up to that point for that section.

Format: Six sections, three loops – All classes will ride in the morning!

The ScotTISH is Saturday, and the 5th Annual **Tish Turkey Trial** will be the next day, Sunday. The Tish Turkey Trial is a regular trial in the traditional format. So come Saturday morning, try something new and fun, spend the night and ride a classic trial the next day. What could be better?

www.stillwaterkilts.com – official supplier to the ScotTISH!



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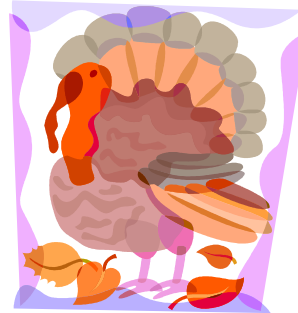
Observed Trials Motorcycle Event

The Tish Turkey Trial

Sunday: November 16, 2008

Tishomingo, OK

Event Sign-ups: @ 8.30 am
Morning Riders Meeting: @ 9:00 am
Afternoon Riders Meeting: @ 1:00 pm



TRIALSMASTERS:

Clark Pittman: 214-616-2206 and Chuck Howard

All riders are expected to judge/score if asked, please show up on time!!

Classes: AM Rookie, Women, Novice, Amateur and Senior Amateur 40+

Classes: PM Intermediate, Expert, Senior Expert +40, and Master

NOTE: Cadets will run at noon

Trophies: 1st, and 2nd place trophies for all main classes

Entry Fee: \$20.00 for NTTA members, \$25 for non-members

The 5th Annual NTTA Tish Turkey Trial continues a growing tradition! This event will be a classic trial with sections that will challenge your physical as well as your mental skills.

Directions: From the DFW area, get yourself to Whitesboro, TX from either I-35 (through Gainesville), or Hwy 75 (through Sherman). Take Hwy. 377 north, across Lake Texoma, through Madill, OK (Hwy. 377, State 99) and into the southern outskirts of Tishomingo, OK. Watch for state road 22 veering off to the left (west)... the state trooper should be having breakfast at the diner on the left... go west about 1.5 miles and look on the right for a rock wall that says "Lake Estates". Turn north on Lake Estates Rd., left at the dumpsters. Follow the ribbons about 2.3 miles down the gravel road, the parking is on the right at a private residence.

Campers: Primitive camping is available and there are 19 RV spaces with electricity available at an extra 'per-day' cost.

Hotel: Western Inn - Tishomingo: (580) 371-2358 (about \$48 for a single)

Motorcycle Helmets Required

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NTTA Event Results

Event: Central Regional - El Famoso Lone Star Two Day

Location: Muenster, TX

Date(s): Oct. 4 / 5, 2008

Rookie	Saturday		Sunday		
	Score	Place	Score	Place	
Luke Gray	3	1	DNS	---	Winner Overall Rookie
Novice					
Shannon Martinez	DNS	---	54	8	
Jeff Van Matre	DNS	---	38	4	
Daniel Burks	76	6	41	5	
Tammy Cook	17	1	35	3	
Greg Gann	48	4	42	6	
Zachary Lewis	56	5	48	7	
Lane Gray	21	2	26	2	Winner Overall Novice
Luke Gray	DNS	---	22	1	
Rick Conaway	30	3	DNS	---	
Amateur					
Philip Ramirez	40	3	15	2	1st point dropped
Anthony Martinez	DNS	---	49	7	
Joshua Burks	58	4	40	5	6 cleans
Kenny Cook	25	1	15	1	1st point dropped
Adam Hall	77	6	40	6	5 cleans
Seth Gray	28	2	15	3	1st point dropped
Daron Cox	60	5	35	4	
Sr. Amateur					
Randy Talburt	67	7	48	8	
David Nuessen	36	5	17	4	
Gary Wing	31	4	10	2	16 cleans
George Currier	55	6	36	6	
Clark Pittman	29	3	39	7	
Ian Griffin	19	1	10	3	15 cleans
Tony Wedgeworth	28	2	8	1	Winner Overall Sr. Amateur
Willard Kelley	DNS	---	30	5	
Vintage					
Steve Elms	35	1	39	1	

Saturday Judges (thank you!)

Jim Byrne
 Cheyne Wedgeworth / Kyle Wedgeworth
 Anthony, Shannon & Evan Martinez
 Bill Kunstmann
 B.J. Hawthorne
 Ray Roblin
 Haydn Franklin
 Todd Slavik
 Keenan Winters
 Matt Schubert

Sunday Judges (thank you!)

Keith Lewis
 Keenan Winters
 David Mizell
 Caleb Mizell
 Glenn Roblin
 Sam McNair
 Simon Leighfield
 Josiah Mizell

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NTTA Event Results

Event: Central Regional - El Famoso Lone Star Two Day

Location: Muenster, TX

Date(s): Oct. 4 / 5, 2008

Intermediate	Saturday		Sunday		
	Score	Place	Score	Place	
Dan Burks	43	10	38		
Bill Kunstmann	23	2	37		
Steve Woodruff	40	9	42		
David Pettigrew	37	6	33	4	
Ariel Winters	69	14	49		
Jim Byrne	39	8	DNS	---	
Keith Lewis	19	1	32	3	Winner Overall Intermediate
Simon Leighfield	44	11	40		
Cheyne Wedgeworth	33	4	38		
Lane Conaway	37	7	35		
Steve Krabill	45	12	DNS	---	
Aaron Cox	26	3	30	2	
David Klein	54	13	38		
Matthew Shubert	69	15	43		
Ken Brown	36	5	24	1	
Evan Martinez	DNS	---	37		
Expert					
Taylor Duval	46	1	43	3	
BJ Hawthorne	76	4	50	4	
Todd Slavik	46	2	29	1	Winner Overall Expert
Haydn Franklin	61	3	36	2	
Sr. Expert					
Ray Roblin	44	5	26	4	
Ron Lee	15	2	18	2	
Allen Guyot	3	1	8	1	Winner Overall Sr. Expert
Sam McNair	41	4	32	5	
Scott Williams	24	3	DNS	---	
Don Hubbard	53	6	24	3	
Master					
Caleb Mizell	55	2	33	1	
Josiah Mizell	6	1	38	2	Winner Overall Master
Glenn Roblin	83	4	56	4	
David Mizell	64	3	40	3	

Saturday Judges (thank you!)

Jerry Clark
 Tony Wedgeworth
 Greg Gann
 Philip Ramirez
 Steve Elms
 Clark Pittman
 George Currier
 Dave Neussen
 Keenan Winters
 Zachary Lewis

Sunday Judges (thank you!)

Clark Pittman
 Tom Batchelor
 Daniel Burks / Zach Lewis
 Section #4 - deleted - wasps
 Joshua Burks
 Anthony & Shannon Martinez
 Greg Gann
 Willard Kelly / Keenan Winters