



In Race 2 at the Dirt Diggers GP, Mike Palmer placed 1st Classic Intermediate after an on-and-off race long battle with the 2nd place rider. Margin of victory was 5 seconds.



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PROSPECTOR POOP

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JOHNSON VALLEY: That big patch of desert that we called 'Lucerne Valley' for decades is actually Johnson Valley. Great place for hosting desert races, riding, and having fun in general. The government has decided that hard working tax payers have no right to be there, mainly because the government has lost sight of the fact that they are supposed to be working for those very same people, the hard working American tax payers. Our elected officials represent us? That's a joke. United States Senator Diane Feinstein ('DiFi') is the single biggest threat to the state of California and has been for many years. She has taken conflict of interest to a whole new level and yet her felonious actions go unprosecuted. Why is that? Clearly things have gone very wrong with the United States of America and our founding fathers would tell us to take up arms and unseat the current crop of scoundrels post haste.

Johnson Valley is now severely restricted, most of it has been closed off, and our land has been taken away from us and given to the Marine Corps for a 'training area' in which to conduct 'military exercises'. Or so they would have us believe. What is the real reason? Doug tells us the story >

Why the Marines really took Johnson Valley!

Recently, I met an interesting man who worked for the US Marines at 29 Palms. His job was water, finding it, monitoring it, making sure it met standards, drilling for it, basically, anything to do with the bases water supply.

He told me that the real reason the Marines took the Johnson Valley area instead of going East is water. The marine base has a huge water problem! He also pointed me to a couple of areas I should look at.

Here is an article from the "The Marine Engineer", a publication of the Society of American Military Engineers that explains the problem -

<http://themilitaryengineer.com/index...entynine-palms>

The bases only source of water is from an aquifer and since 1950, the Surprise Spring Aquifer has dropped over 200'! The Marines have been drawing about 3 million gallons of water per day from the aquifer, but the recharge rate is only about .9 million gallons per day. This is not sustainable and they need another source of water.

You can see some of the problems the base faces as described by the people who run it. The Marines also have ground water pollution and waste water treatment problems that a new source of water would alleviate!

After I found this information I searched for some info on aquifers in and around Johnson Valley, guess what I found? There are a few very big aquifers under the land the Marines will soon take over! Surprise, Surprise, Surprise... as Gomer Pile used to say.

Here is the report on the aquifers -

<http://www.mojavewater.org/files/Ame...INALREPORT.pdf>

It looks like the real reason is the sub-surface water, not the surface land they really wanted. Means Dry lake area just happens to be one of the lowest elevations in the area, so more water collects there also.

And to add insult to injury, our old, and I do mean old, "friend" DiFi has a hand in this too.

The Marines would of had a problem if they expanded East, no water! Well, (no pun intended) there is a company called Cadiz that is trying to build a huge water storage operation East of the base -

http://cadizinc.com/downloads/How_It...011_Update.pdf

The operation controls most of the sub-surface water rights from the bases Eastern edge to the Colorado River. So no rights, no water!

How is DiFi part of this? Well, her husband is Richard Blum, whose company, Blum Financial Partners, is the second largest stock holder in Cadiz! How convenient!

Plus, I bet it did not bother DiFi's "Friends" that we spent a bunch of money and time fighting for a cause that she already knew we would lose...

So, to me, all the pieces were in place long before we knew we had a problem, and the outcome was determined before we even started to fight for Johnson Valley!

Read the links and make your own call on why, how, and when "WE" lost Johnson Valley!

Doug

CLUB MEETINGS: Our next two meetings will be Tuesday evening, March 4 and April 1, at Kurt's Clubhouse, 4100 Stevely Avenue, Lakewood CA 90713. Next club newsletter will be mailed April 1 and will include results from the Prairie Dogs GP.

Bike stands! We are once again having custom Prospectors M/C bike stands made that will be available to members in good standing at a discounted price - more on this later. Easter Field Meet will be April 19 and 20 at Prospectors Camp, see next newsletter for more info.

FINAL 2013 DISTRICT 37 DESERT POINT STANDINGS:

<u>Rider</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>2013 #</u>	<u>2014 #</u>
Jeremy Doerksen	200 Expert	291c	10c
Jamie Trulove	Woman Expert	W101	W16
Stacy Doerksen	Woman Expert	W7	W23
Linda Smart	Woman Expert	W61	W31
Butch Nelson	Masters Expert	R13	R66
Tom Marshall	Magnum Open Int	M45	M37
Hayden Hintz	Mini 85cc Novice	K18	K15

FINAL 2013 DISTRICT 37 ENDURO POINT STANDINGS:

<u>Rider</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>2013 #</u>	<u>2014 #</u>
Stacey Rauen	Woman C	W10	W4
Tim Olson	Open C	H11	H8
Steve Rauen	Masters A	R11	R10
Rick Levine	Magnum Open C	M31	M30
Kyle Rauen	200 D	26c	12c

LOST COYOTES LOST IN THE WOODS QUALIFIER ENDURO: Texas Canyon / Rowher Flats in the Angeles National Forest just west of Agua Dulce, January 19. In order of overall finish >

<u>Rider</u>	<u>Class Finish</u>
Stacey Rauen	2nd Woman B
Steve Rauen	13th Masters A

DIRT DIGGERS MC TAFT GP and OILFIELD DERBY: The 2014 gate has dropped! Honolulu Hills, February 1 and 2, Big 6 GP Series Round 1. Air temps in the 60's and great winter racing conditions.

Race 2, Saturday:

Steve Bebeck	3rd Masters Expert
Kurt Hintz	2nd Classic Expert
Ted Tweet	4th Classic Expert
Mike Palmer	1st Classic Intermediate
Keith Kubachka	4th Evo Expert
Hana Hintz	2nd Woman Novice
Butch Nelson	10th Masters Expert
Rick Levine	1st Evo Intermediate
Mark Nevin	2nd Classic Novice

Race 4, Saturday:

Steve Bebeck	13th Magnum Open Expert
Keith Kubachka	8th Magnum 250 Intermediate
Rick Levine	10th Magnum Open Novice

Race 6, Saturday:

Logan Tweet	2nd WCGP 200cc Intermediate
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Race 7, Saturday:

Hayden Hintz	1st WCGP 200cc Novice
Will Levine	3rd WCGP 200cc Novice

Race 10, Sunday:

Hayden Hintz	2nd Super Mini Advanced
Will Levine	2nd Super Mini Novice

Race 14, Sunday:

Will Levine	2nd 200cc Novice
Hayden Hintz	4th 200cc Novice

Race 15, Sunday:

Logan Tweet	2nd 200cc Intermediate
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HERO POINTS: Roger Marine sent us a check from Wyoming to help with postage and we thank him for that.

SALLY: Don and Paula Dudek lost their dog Sally at our Thanksgiving Field Meet when she was frightened by fireworks, ran off, and was later found by the highway. The following is a note from the Dudek's >

As many of you know, our beloved Sally passed away at the annual Prospectors Thanksgiving event. We would like to express our gratitude to the Prospector family for your care, concern, and kindness. For your devotion while searching for hours and then of course locating her. For putting her in her final resting place with such genuine compassion. We will be forever grateful.

Sincerely,

Don and Paula Dudek

ADDITIONAL: At our Easter Field Meet we will be placing memorial plaques for Kurt Caselli and also Sally. Don Doerksen tells us that this will take place on Saturday afternoon at 2:00 or 3:00 o'clock or thereabouts.

Ride free,

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