

HS committee meeting 09/18/2021

Call to order 7.00 PM

Present

Chairman

Referee

Sat rep

Quad rep

AA/A rep

B rep

Sun AM rep

Women/C rep

ACMC

BSTR

CFTR

Nature coast

PBTTR

RCDR

SADRA

Suncoast

Sunrunners

TCTR

NEW BUSINESS

FTR HS Proposal by William Toreki, September 18, 2021. Proposal # _____1_____

I did some counting, and we consistently have more than twice as many Sunday AM riders than PM. Sunday AM field is getting HUGE with our higher turnouts, and will likely grow even more. Here is the data for 5 random races last season. Idea is to move Vet A, B, and C to Sunday PM. It will even things out, but we will still have bigger field in morning. Would make for less congestion, and probably safer. Chart shows numbers before and after adjusting. This would also eliminate two rows needed on Sunday AM (or make room to split some other rows).

2020-2021 FTR Sunday Participation Numbers:

Event	Existing			Proposed	
	AM	Vet	PM	AM	PM
HS-1 CFTR	370	81	169	289	250
HS-3 SAD	329	72	155	257	227
HS-7 PBTT	301	49	136	252	185
HS-9 NCTB	308	72	129	236	201
HS-10 SR	243	45	94	198	139

Proposed Rows - Change to Chapter VI, Section C-9 (Event Schedule), page 32:

Race 110:30 AM – 12:30 PM

Row 1 - Senior A

Row 2 - Super Senior A

Row 3 - Master A, Silver Master A

Row 4 - Senior B, Women A

Row 5 - Super Senior B

Row 6 - Golden Master A

Row 7 - Master B

Row 8 - Silver Master B, Women Vet

Row 9 - Golden Master B, Elite Master

Row 10 - Senior C

Row 11 - Super Senior C

Row 12 - Master C, Women B

Race 21:00 PM – 3:00 PM

Row 1 - AA

Row 2 - A Open

Row 3 - A-250, A-200

Row 4 - +30, Vet-A

Row 5 - B Open

Row 6 - B-250

Row 7 - B-200, Vet B

Row 8 - C Open

Row 9 - C-250

Row 10 - C-200, Vet C

Vote

7 for

6 against

Proposal # 2

to add Golden Master c and Silver Master c classes

Dear Executive Committee and Hare Scramble Committee Members,

Within the last several months I have been contacted by quite a few older riders with basically the same question ... Why isn't there a 55+ and 60+ C class in the FTR Hare Scramble series?

Due to medical issues, I have personally missed the last 14 years of racing. Coming back into the series I completely understood the current class structure. I knew that at 60 years old my options to ride in a C class were fairly limited. In my personal case, I opted to ride the Master (50+) C class because that was the oldest age class with a C designation. I ride quite a lot in the Ocala National Forest and I'm always coming across older riders that don't race anymore. Their primary reason seems to be that there is not a C class for advanced age riders. It is very apparent when looking at the numbers that there is a

demographic shift in the ages of active riders. Fifteen to twenty years ago there was a handful of advanced age riders (55-up). Today we see NEW riders starting their riding careers at later stages of life. Why shouldn't they be afforded the opportunity to ride in a class with their peers?

Several of us have put our heads together to come up with a proposal that has limited change to the race format and could be implemented fairly easily and takes care of this situation. We have looked at the way the current races are run and basically just would like to see the two classes created. No row changes

would be required. Many of the riders that these changes would effect are already starting on the Golden Master Band Silver Master Brows. Our proposal still lets everyone start on the same Row. Even with the addition of riders, these rows are not as large as, for example, the Senior C and SSR C rows.

Additional documentation with justification will be provided at the Hare Scramble Committee meeting. I look forward to explaining this idea and would appreciate any support. I can be reached at (352) 816-6528 if there are any questions.

I'd also like to say that I appreciate the opportunity to submit this proposal.

Respectively submitted,

WTMartin

FTR# 22-63504A

Attachment: Martin_Kuhn_Proposal_Revision2.

Vote

7 for

6 against

Emergency rule change to allow utility quads to run in the AA class once a rider goes to the AA class, they must appeal to the HS committee to move to any other class.

Vote

10 for

3 against

Brent Ashworth

Appealed to the committee to allow him to stay in the A class after placing in the top 10 overall in the previous season.

Vote

14 for

0 against

Motion to adjourn 8 PM