

# MID-AMERICA TRIALS TEAM

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## A Little Wind On That Dog?



What a great Hot Dog Trials, except for the wind of course. Carl and Bruce laid out some great sections. I think they were a little on the hard side looking at the scores, and I even saw Jason in rare form paddling out of section 2.

The Grundy Gulch was an especially tough section, very tricky and unpredictable between loops. I saw a Master rider 5 it and then a lower class rider clean that same part of the section a few minutes later. We should rename it "The Witches Cauldron" when we ride it around Halloween.

Another tough section (for the experts at least) was section 4. It was in the creek and riders had to cross a water hole before heading over a big tree root. If you didn't make it over the root you could kiss your dry socks and entire rear wheel goodbye. In the end, some riders resorted to a different line where they launched over the entire spring fed hole.

Wow! Did anybody else notice Wild Bill's new storm tropper boots! I think they might have been a little heavier than the old ones, I noticed he was dabbing more than usual.

After the trials Sunday, everyone was *BLOWN* in around the Carver fire pit for the feast and trophy ceremony.

### The Carpenter-Hopkins Dynasty Begins

What a nasty campaign, I'm so tired of seeing the dirty smear tactics on commercials by the Carpenter's opponents. I'm so glad they won! To my dismay, even after a hard fought Anti-Elect-Me campaign, I still won the Secretary position.

### 2008 Officers:

President: Marc Carpenter  
Vice President: Scott Carpenter  
Secretary: Matt Hopkins  
Treasurer: Carl Hopkins

Oh my, what a feast! I ate a hot dog smothered in chili, a brat smothered in chili, a piece of cobbler, a couple cookies, a couple brownies, and a few reese's peanut butter cups. Thanks to the Carvers for all their hard work and thanks to everyone that pitched in or brought dishes.

A club meeting followed the food where the new officers were elected (see results below). I tried as hard as I could to hide under the table when secretary position came up for nomination, it didn't work. We also welcomed Bill Sanderson's brother Bob to the club.

This is my first Newsline, next event I'll try and get some tales of heroism, courage, and blunders from the other classes. They zoom around so fast it's hard to catch anything. For your part, please come tell me or email me anything you saw; good rides, crashes, etc. I promise you will remain an anonymous tipster. Hopefully one day I'll be as good as the great Newsline editors that came before me.

### Halloween Parties

Before the "adults" could have their Saturday night party, the kids got theirs. Although I'm not sure who had more fun, the adults or the kids. First the kids dressed up in their Halloween costumes and went trick or treating around to all the campgrounds, the whole time being followed by the scary BoneMan! Then it was off for some music, spooky story telling, and dancing.

Next it was the adults turn to party like rockstars with Hot Chocolate and Schnapps, M80s, and a whole slew of WUHOOS! It was cold enough that the midnight golf cart run became the 9:30 golf cart run. Some of the more mature adults stayed up later than usual, I think I went to bed before some of them even. P.S, the BoneMan wanted me to say sorry to Colby & Ladonna for him.

## Event Results

### Novice

Place	Name	L1	L2	L3	Total
1	Luke Grey	10	1	4	15

### Amateur

Place	Name	L1	L2	L3	Total
1	Dawson Dennis	5	17	9	31
2	Harley	10	17	10	37
3	Lane Grey	17	15	15	47

### Sr. Amateur

Place	Name	L1	L2	L3	Total
1	S. Smith	16	18	9	43
2	Bob Sanderson	14	15	16	45
3	Jim Thorton	9	11	DNF	20

### Intermediate

Place	Name	L1	L2	L3	Total
1	Randy Dennis	17	8	11	36
2	Mike Carpenter	19	10	13	42
3	* Nathan Dennis	16	19	18	53
4	* Seth Grey	16	15	16	47
5	Ken Brown	19	24	15	58

### Expert

Place	Name	L1	L2	L3	Total
1	Steve Morgan	16	14	7	37
2	Matt Hopkins	20	20	15	55
3	Chris Williams	21	24	15	60
4	Craig Lisher	26	23	20	69

### Master

Place	Name	L1	L2	L3	Total
1	Jason Carpenter				33
2	Marc Carpenter	18	19	14	51
3	Bill Sanderson				52

\*Scoring note: There might be a scoring error in the Intermediate class. According to the pictures of the score board, Nathan's score is 10 points short. Looks like Seth should be in 3rd place.



### Next Event...

The next trials event will be held in Trenton November 16th. 11am start time. Trials Masters are Jim Jeter and the famous retired Newsline editor Kelly Echterling. Wait a minute, if Kelly is trials master, that's one less rider for me to beat.

### Central Regional Series

Central Regional Trials Championship Series results can be found at the AVTA website: <http://www.avtatrials.com/>.

A preliminary 2009 CRTC event schedule has been set:

**MATT** Quarry Cup Sept 19/20  
**NTTA** El Famoso Oct 3rd/4th  
**NEOTT** OctoberTest Oct 24/25 (4th weekend of October)  
**AVTA** Flint Hills Nov 7/8

As a side note, everyone LOVED the section markings used at the Quarry Cup this year, white perimeter tape with arrows color coded by class.

### 2008 X-Mas Party

#### When:

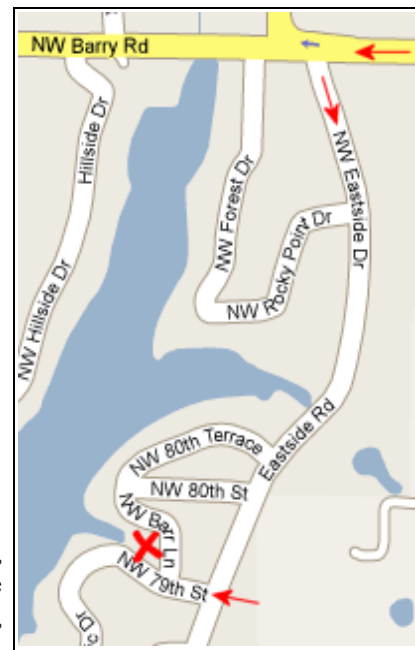
December 13th  
6:00pm - ????

#### Where:

The Hopkins.  
7908 NW Barr Ln  
(816) 741-5436

From I-29 & Barry Road:  
Head West on Barry Rd.  
Turn Left on Eastside Dr.  
Right on 79th St.  
Right on Barr Ln.  
First house on the Left.

**Why:** Another excuse to eat, drink eggnog, play pool, shuffle board, sing Karaoke, be merry, and pay tribute to George Carlin.



### Bike seeking rider...loves the outdoors, long rides in the rocks...

If anybody needs to add or remove anything from this list just email me at [madmatt@matt-trials.com](mailto:madmatt@matt-trials.com) with a description/update.

**OSSA's** - One real nice, low use Explorer which is an MAR trials bike with a slightly bigger tank - \$900. And one Genuine MAR (Mick Andrews Replica) that shows more wear, but is still a complete bike - \$700. pics at [www.dotGeorge.com/ossa](http://www.dotGeorge.com/ossa) George - Omaha - (402)510-9378

**2004** GasGas 280 Pro - Red, One Owner, in real good condition. Tires are fair. Extra accessories. \$2800. Call Mark at 660-772-3194

**1989** Beta TR34C. Rarely ridden. Runs great and READY TO RIDE! 2,000 OBO

**1990** Beta Zero Rarely ridden. Runs great. In very very good original condition. The first trials bike with an aluminum frame. \$2400 OBO  
Phil 801-791-0868

**1998** GasGas 270 TXT, Red, Excellent Condition, Novice rider and used very little. Tulsa, OK. Roger 918-637-0120

**2002** GasGas 280 Blue - Broken Arrow, OK VGC, Runs great, tires good, \$2,700. Call Chris on cell 918-640-9244

**2007** 1/2 Sherco 2.9 Cabestany Replica Limited Edition - \$5595.00

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

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