***Central Ohio Police Motorcycle Challenge***

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**Supporting NC4K**

**EVENT RULES**

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**ELIGIBILITY**

**COPMC** is open to all law enforcement officers who are currently authorized by their employer to operate a police motorcycle. Participating officers are allowed to compete in one of the following classes:

**COMPETITION CLASSES**

**Novice**: Any participant who has competed in three or less police motorcycle competitions and has never placed individually in the top 5 at any police motorcycle competition.

 **Expert**: Any participant who has competed in more than three police motorcycle competitions or has placed individually in the top 5 at any police motorcycle competition.

\*\*\*A participant can choose to ride in the Expert class, but cannot go back down once they have chosen to move up.\*\*\*

**MOTORCYCLE DIVISIONS (if applicable)**

A competitor may only compete in one division.

• Division 1 - Harley Davidson Road King (Windshield)

• Division 2 - Harley Davidson Electra Glide (Fairing)

• Division 3 - BMW, Honda, and Kawasaki

• Division 4 - Victory Motorcycle and Honda Gold Wings

 **MOTORCYCLES**

**Motorcycle Requirements:** Participants must compete on a police motorcycle of at least 1000 cc’s that is equipped with standard equipment used for their normal course of duty. No modifications or removal of standard equipment will be allowed with the exception of the side stand; this includes removal of lights, reflectors, saddle bags, engine guards, radio boxes, etc. ABS systems, if equipped, must be connected. All motorcycles are subject to random inspections.

**Emergency Motorcycle Repairs** Prior to entering an event, a participant (or team) will be allowed 15 minutes to repair a motorcycle that is malfunctioning. If the motorcycle is unserviceable, the participant may continue in the event provided that:

• The participant can locate a replacement motorcycle within 15 minutes.

• The new motorcycle must already be qualified.

• The motorcycle must be assigned to compete in the same division as the participant (if applicable).

**Motorcycle Malfunctions** Once a participant or team has begun an event, no excuses for a breakdown will be allowed. This includes side stand problems. It may be advantageous to secure or remove the side stand prior to competing.

**CLOTHING AND CONDUCT**

Participants must dress appropriately. Boots, helmet and eye protection must be worn at all times, during practice and events. Standard duty uniform must be worn on last day of the event, as this will be the main event day. All participants shall act in a professional manner. Inappropriate behavior will result in disqualification from **COPMC**.

**RULES COMMITTEE**

DEFINED: A three (3) member Rules Committee will settle all disputes that may arise during the events that cannot be settled at the Couse Captain level. The Rules Committee will be comprised of three members from RPD. Each member has a vote and the majority vote rules. RPD Rules Committee officers will not compete for awards in **COPMC** but may participate in **COPMC** events for training purposes.

**DISPUTES:**

• Any dispute of scoring of a particular event must be addressed by the affected participant after completing said run.

• Only the participant may dispute scoring or a judge’s decision.

• Disputes will be brought to the Course Captain for ruling over an event / course score.

• If the dispute is not resolved by the Course Captain, the Rules Committee will resolve the dispute.

* All decisions of the Rules Committee are final.

**ONSITE REGISTRATION**

• All participants must complete and sign the waiver forms prior to or at registration.

• When paperwork is submitted, each participant will be given a number which must be displayed on the participant's motorcycle throughout **COPMC**.

• At registration each participant will be supplied with a packet which will include an itinerary of all events, the rules sheet, and other relevant information.

• Participants may sign up for the partner Ride during onsite registration.

**PARTICIPANT MEETING**

A participant meeting will be held prior to the start of the **COPMC**.

• The scoring and the approved path of travel through the events will be reviewed and demonstrated.

• Participants should understand course events prior to the end of the meeting.

• The meeting will be conducted by the RPD Motor Unit.

• The participants meeting time will be provided at onsite registration, in the itinerary.

• It is the participant’s responsibility to attend the mandatory meeting.

• After the participant’s meeting, any disputes concerning information disseminated at the participant’s meeting will not be considered.

**COURSE A and COURSE B MAIN EVENTS**

Goal: **COPMC** will include two timed speed courses. Times, with penalties, will be combined for both the COPMC Challenge Champion and the Course A/B awards. Participants will be afforded the opportunity (time permitting) to make additional timed runs to improve their score. Said additional runs will be permitted with an additional cash donation made to the **COPMC’s** charity partner *NC4K*. The cost of the additional run will be minimal and all proceeds will be donated to the *NC4K*.

The timed runs will begin when the participant’s front tire fully crosses the “start” pavement marking and ending when the front tire fully crosses the “end” pavement marking when exiting the last exercise.

SCORING:

• Touching or Rubbing a cone: plus one (1) second

• Knocking down a cone: plus two (2) seconds

• Putting a foot down: plus four (4) seconds

• Bike down: plus five (5) seconds (if participant is unable to upright a downed motorcycle in 30 seconds the run will be DNF)

• Run out of pattern (Re-enter at same location): plus eight (8) seconds

• Improper path/direction through pattern: plus twenty (20) seconds

• Did Not Finish (DNF): plus one hundred (100) seconds

• Fail to Enter exercise: Disqualification

• Short Coursing: Disqualification

CHALLENGE CHAMPION AWARD SCORE:

For the ***COPMC Challenge Champion*** score, the final Course A/B score will consist of participant’s combined Course A and Course B time, with penalties assessed in seconds. The fastest time after penalties will stand.

TIE: In the event of a tie, the tie will be broken with the competitor who has the cleanest run.

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**INDIVIDUAL SLOW RIDE**

GOAL: Participants will negotiate the designated course for the slowest time. Slowest time will win. Each officer will receive one (1) attempt at this event. The time starts when the participant’s front tire crosses the start line. The time ends when the participant’s rear tire crosses the end line.

SCORING: The participant’s time will stop at the occurrence of any of the following;

• A participant puts a foot down,

• A participant drops the motorcycle in the space

• A participant crosses the boundary line.

**THE ELIMINATOR:**

GOAL: Participants will be placed into a bracket at random. The two participants will enter the pattern containing obstacles and follow the “leader” as he/she navigates a pattern at random through the cones.

• The winner of a coin toss will be given the choice to lead or follow.

• The timer for the event will start when the second participant enters the pattern.

• The lead participant will be allowed to ride the cone pattern in any direction or path that they choose.

• The participant following is required to travel the same pathway as the leader. If he/she takes another path they are eliminated.

• Either participant may be eliminated by hitting a cone or putting a foot down.

• If any contact is made between the two motorcycles, the participant determined to have initiated the contact will be eliminated.

• The following participant may enter the course at their discretion once the rear tire of the lead officer has crossed the start line.

• If the match lasts for 90 seconds the participant following is determined the winner.

The event will continue in a playoff format with the winner of each round continuing on to the next tier of the bracket. The last participant remaining will win.

**TWO OFFICER TEAM EVENT:**

GOAL: The two officer team event will consist of two riders. The two riders will enter a designated exercise with one rider leading and the other rider following. At the designated point, the lead rider will either travel out of the exercise, or travel a different path in the exercise, with the objective of changing from the lead rider to the following rider. The rider, who is second in line, will now be the lead rider. The time starts when the first rider's front tire breaks the electric eye of the timer or start bar and ends when the front tire of the last rider breaks the electric eye of the timer or end bar when exiting the last exercise. SCORING:

• Touching or Rubbing a cone: plus one (1) second

• Knocking down a cone: plus two (2) seconds

• Putting a foot down: plus four (4) seconds

• Bike down: plus five (5) seconds

• Run out of pattern (Re-enter at same location): plus eight (8) seconds

• Improper path/direction through pattern: plus twenty (20) seconds

• Did Not Finish (DNF): plus one hundred (100) seconds

• Fail to Enter exercise: Disqualification

• Short Coursing: Disqualification

FINAL SCORE: Final score will consist of the total time taken for all officers (the entire team) to complete the exercise. The fastest time after penalties are assessed, wins.

TIE: In the event of a tie, the tie will be broken with the team who has the cleanest run.

**OFFICER SEAN JOHNSON MEMORIAL CHALLENGE:**

GOAL: Each participant will negotiate a predetermined course consisting of advanced skills usage (brakes, no brakes, etc.) for time. This course will **not** be available for practice and will be unknown to participants until the time of event. Fastest time, penalties assessed, will win.

SCORING:

• Touching or Rubbing a cone: plus one (1) second

• Knocking down a cone: plus two (2) seconds

• Putting a foot down: plus four (4) seconds

• Bike down: plus five (5) seconds

• Run out of pattern (Re-enter at same location): plus eight (8) seconds

* Improper path/direction through pattern: plus twenty (20) seconds

• Did Not Finish (DNF): plus one hundred (100) seconds

• Fail to Enter exercise: Disqualification

• Short Coursing: Disqualification

**COURSE A AND COURSE B:**

Fastest Time will win

SCORING:

• Touching or Rubbing a cone: plus one (1) second

• Knocking down a cone: plus two (2) seconds

• Putting a foot down: plus four (4) seconds

• Bike down: plus five (5) seconds (if participant is unable to upright a downed motorcycle in 30 seconds the run will be DNF)

• Run out of pattern (Re-enter at same location): plus eight (8) seconds

• Improper path/direction through pattern: plus twenty (20) seconds

• Did Not Finish (DNF): plus one hundred (100) seconds

• Fail to Enter exercise: Disqualification

• Short Coursing: Disqualification

FINAL SCORE: Final score will consist of each participant’s time, with penalties assessed in seconds. TIE: In the event of a tie, the tie will be broken with the competitor who has the cleanest run.

**GLOSSARY OF TERMS**

*Course or Exercise* – a series of events which a competitor must ride; includes the path of travel between exercises in the individual timed runs.

*Department*: Any Law Enforcement agency whom a competitor is a member/employee.

*Drop the Motorcycle*: In an exercise, if the motorcycle falls to the surface and the competitor does not have control of the motorcycle, which would allow for safe operation of the motorcycle. (includes any part of the entire course).

*Foot Down*: In an exercise, whenever a competitor’s foot comes in contact with the surface (includes any part of the course during the timed runs).

*Judge*: A person designated to score and/or time a competitor on the course.

*Judge’s Meeting*: A meeting of course judges to review rules and scoring procedures of the Motorcycle Chute Out.

*Knock Over a Cone*: Whenever any part of the motorcycle or competitor hits any part of a cone which causes the cone to fall over or be displaced from its original position or if a judge has to physically move or reposition the cone.

*Participant* –a Law Enforcement Officer who is authorized to ride a Police Motorcycle by their department and is registered to compete in the Central Ohio Police Motorcycle Challenge (COPMC).

*Running Out of Exercise:* When the front and rear wheels cross the imaginary line between the center points of the two adjacent cones where the motorcycle would not normally enter or exit an event. In events which use a boundary line, if the tire contact patch crosses the boundary line, the competitor has run out of the exercise.

*Short Coursing*: The act of cutting a course short or omitting required section of the course where the end result is a time advantage for the competitor.

*Touch a Cone*: Whenever any part of the motorcycle or competitor touches any part of a cone.

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**COPMC AWARDS**

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**Challenge Champion**

* 1 award
* Mandatory participation
	+ Slow Ride, Eliminator Challenge, Memorial Challenge, Course A, and Course B
* Fastest time : Memorial Challenge + Couse A + Course B – Slow Ride time = Final Score

**Challenge Champion Runner Ups**

* 4 awards (2-5)
* Mandatory participation
	+ Slow Ride, Eliminator Challenge, Memorial Challenge, Course A, and Course B
* Fastest time: Memorial Challenge + Couse A + Course B – Slow Ride time = Final Score

**Slow Ride**

* 1 award each for Expert & Novice - Longest Ride

**The Eliminator**

* 1 award for Last Rider Standing

**Officer Sean Johnson Memorial Challenge**

* 3 awards – Champion and 2 runner up scores
* Fastest time with penalties assessed

**Course A**

* 1 award each for Expert & Novice
* Fastest time with penalties assessed

**Course B**

* 1 award each for Expert & Novice
* Fastest time with penalties assessed

**Partner Ride**

* Non mandatory event with 1 Team Award for fastest time with penalties assessed