

# The Full hrottle

**SECCA  
February 2014**

## **Upcoming Events**

**March 8-  
Meridian, MS**

**Grand Finale -  
March 22 -  
Monster Mountain**

Continue to remember all of our downed riders and their families in your thoughts and prayers. Remember to get your raffle ticket for the 2014 KTM to be given away at the awards banquet. Don't forget our Family Fund. Please make an effort to attend the Devotional time at each event. Great words of encouragement at each one. Much needed information given out on top of the Word being shared for the building up of our faith.

When you have opportunity, give our sponsors a chance at providing a service or need for you. They are all so greatly appreciated.

**Banquet Info  
Coming Soon -  
Keep checking the  
SECCA website for  
updates on all in-  
formation.**

**NEW DIETS ARE FUN!!!!** I personally have just started a new diet. This diet is unlike any diet I've ever done. It was set up by a person who knows what she is talking about when it comes to nutrition and being fit.

At the beginning it was very difficult. I dreamed of about eating pizza, cheeseburgers & BBQ only to wash it all down with gallons of sweet tea & Dr Pepper. It's like it was calling my name. It was a rough start but I've stayed on course.

After some time has passed I've noticed that I no longer crave the fattening unhealthy choices that I once did. I've been craving the healthy stuff. I never thought I would choose broccoli over a snicker's bar. It's like the more nutritious & healthy food I eat the more I want. The fatty foods are a turn off now. Weird I know!! But true.

Although I'm new at this healthy diet plan, I'm not new to a good diet of God's Word. When I first sold out and started living for Christ, I was all in. I had an all or nothing attitude, like I do on most everything I do. It was very similar to my new diet. At first it was a real struggle not doing the things I used to do. Those bad habits were fun to me and as if they were calling my name, too. But just like the diet, I just kept on feeding on God's Word and saying no to the things of the world that had been distracting me. Sometimes it was hard and very inconvenient but I stayed on course.

I can honestly say that the things of the world that used to appeal to me now totally disgust me. My fleshly sinful desires to live like I once did have gone. I've learned that my body was designed to feed on healthy food. That's the way God made it. But my selfish desires have not been what my body needed. Therefore I was overweight and out of shape.

Our spirit is no different. God designed it to have a healthy diet too which is only capable through his Son Jesus. But our selfish desires "sin" leads us away. Taking us farther than we ever intended on going and keeping us longer than we ever intended on staying.

Romans 12:2 Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is - His good, pleasing and perfect will.

Just like you can transform your body, your life can be transformed as well through a relationship with Jesus and a steady diet on God's Word. Do it !!!!!!!!!!! Your life depends on it.

**THE  
RED ZONE**

## **Potato Patch Kids and Girls Wee Tots, Small Fries and Sweet Taters Having Fun**

As a member of the host team for this event, I can tell you that I was quite nervous at 7:30 on Saturday morning, February 1st, when there were no people in the campground yet to race. Everything was running thru my mind to make me think negatively as to why nobody was here. The snow, the ice, it being our first, too far to travel, the unknown.... All of that. Then, it seemed as if somebody said, okay, it's time to turn into the gate. And the vehicles were starting to flow in very steadily. We are so very thankful for the turnout and the great weather and racing conditions that God provided to us that day. The first of the Kids Classes to race had a course that was somewhat shorter than the usual. We were a little limited on space that we thought would hold up really good for the little guys but yet be a little challenging. The parents got to see more of the kids, too, when the course is a little shorter. And just like with the adults course, there was no pre riding. Zane Williams was nice enough to ride the 50's course to let us know what he thought about it and then several of the kids walked it on Saturday morning. But no pre riding.

### **Tater Tots**

Kyle Alexander, Landon Hartz (welcome back) and Walker Alexander over all the Preteen/Tadpole classes with Hartz finishing one second ahead of W. Alexander. Their course took the leaders about 2 1/2 minutes to complete and they made 9 laps. Cade Copeland was running in the top 3 overall and 1st in the preteen class for the first half of the race but finished the day in 5th just behind Ian Bouwens. The top 3 overall came out of the 50cc open class.

### **Small Fries and Large Fries**

Ethan Gregg didn't get the best start and came thru the scoring tent in 5th on lap 1 but managed to work his way thru the pack to go ahead and lead the rest of the way to take the checkered flag. Riley Kilpatrick and Trey Grimes rounded out the top 3. With 14 in this class for the day we decided to award the top 9 with awards and they are pictured in this issue. The course for these guys was about 3.5 miles in length and was part of the adult trail.

### **Sweet Taters**

If you haven't found any battles to watch this year for some good entertainment and sportsmanship, you need to pay close attention next time to Kallie Donovan and Halli Melton who have had some great ones this season. They were side by side going into the first turn around the barrels and rode consistent and aggressive for the duration. This will not be the last you hear of these two this season. Donovan, Melton and Tammy Norris were given sweet potato pies as part of their award for the day. Maybe they shared with their family, but it was not necessary....LOL Rachel Cofield in only her second race finished 4th and said it was a very fun course.



The three young lads out front here, Pearce Yeargan, Trace Payne, and Ensign Payne have all competed in every race of the 2014 season chasing down a Tadpole championship. Each of them have had their moments in the spotlight and the championship is coming down to the wire. Who needs Villopoto, Dungey and Roczen when SECCA has these 3?



Youth top 9—Ethan Gregg, Riley Kilpatrick, Trey Grimes, Dawson Horn, Juddson Raia., Carter Bouwens, Zane Williams, Jon McAnnally and Jaron Craddock. Grimes was running a solid 2nd and fell over 5 feet from the no pass zone to allow Kilpatrick to finish ahead of him.

“For you were once in darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light (for the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness, righteousness, and truth), finding out what is acceptable to the Lord.”

Ephesians 5:8-10

Kallie Donovan and Halli Melton are in a tight race for the Girls Championship for the 2014 season. The Girls class has come a long way since the beginning of the SECCA organization.



**Tater Diggin Time**  
**First Annual Potato Patch Harescramble**  
**February 1, 2014**

The week leading up to the Potato Patch event was rather sketchy with the ice and snow that fell on Tuesday and into Wednesday. Turned out to be a great big blessing as the dirt was just right in most of the course with a few mud bogs that were a little tough to deal with for some guys. A much needed reroute for moto 2 helped things tremendously and didn't cause any confusion for the riders. There was a little "chatter" around the crowd that seemed to think that the course had been pre ridden by some of the contenders, but I can honestly tell you that nobody rode the course in advance. The guys laying it out didn't finish it until Saturday morning, yes, February 1, because there was a portion of it that went thru a major deer hunting plot and we didn't want to have any mishaps to cause trouble with our landowner friends and their hunters. We hope to not have our next one, if allowed, the first weekend after the end of deer season for this reason. Now on to a few race details:

**"Time to Dig"**

The front four rows started at an angle to the rest of the field to change things up a bit and give the other 10 classes a chance to see a little action from a different view. The XC1 class was loaded down with "hot taters" to get things started. David Melton and Ben Donovan cleared the barrel first with Melton leading the way into the woods only to crash into the first tight section, allowing the entire class to get by. Melton said by the time he got back going the XC2 guys had caught up to him. Cliff Ousley got a terrible start but it didn't take long for him to find his way to the front and rumble thru the course with ease.

Steve Nicholas III had trouble in moto 1 and Tyler Carter didn't finish moto 2 that allowed Micah Williams and Neal Ousley to round out the podium for the day. Brian McCall, Kyle Sharp and Micah Seale were all in the same minute at the end of each moto with the second moto seeing them finish within 4 seconds of each other. Mark Lewis and Landon Carter swapped up positions going 3-1 and 1-3 with Lewis claiming the win in Vet A. Eric Rush made the podium to finish 3rd. However, these three chose to sit on the podium instead of stand. Must be harder when you have to dig that hard to win. It was a great pleasure to see Tyler Kyle back on a bike in race mode and he came ever so close to making the podium in his first race of the 2014 season. Mike Monroe, Adrian Gervais and Seth Clayton were the top three in the Senior class. Wayne Raia had a really good first moto in Vet C and then on the starting line of moto 2 his bike fouled a plug. Unlike most of us, Raia had a spare bike to compete with so he ran back to the truck and got it but wound up starting with the Senior C class. This may have cost him a top 3 podium finish because he still managed to finish 4th on the day. Chuck Foote was the only Vet C rider to complete 3 laps each moto to win for the day followed by Jason Peters and Skip Brazeel. The course for the Potato Patch was a little less than 7 miles and it took the leaders between 51 and 52 minutes to complete. We had one rider, Ethan Greve, who really didn't get lost, but somehow got misplaced for about an hour and a half during the first moto, thru the intermission, and was found just prior to the start of moto 2. The re-route caused a short delay in the start of moto 2 but I think it was well worth the wait. Thankfully, Greve was okay and even though he suffered a broken toe, he had stopped racing because of a broken bike. Thank you everyone for coming out to the Patch.....



Great to see Tyler Kyle back in action. And , yes, he's still wheelie walking...



### Potato Patch Photos



Loaded class of XC1 guys at the start of moto 1. Cliff Ousley nowhere in sight. Not a problem....He dug deep to get the win on his green beast of a machine.

# SECCA STRIDERS

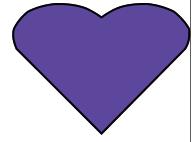
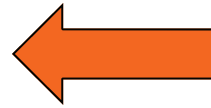
Our very first Strider race was held at the Potato Patch and it was a great time had by all. We decided to try it again at Minooka and President Red said he was SOLD on having it as a series championship for the 2015 season. We will finish out the last two races with Strider races this season, at Monster Mountain and Meridian. These kids are such a treat to watch have fun. God's Blessings to each of us.



“Train up a child in the way he should go, And when he is old he will not depart from it.” Proverbs 22:6



# Minooka Park February 15



## Lads and Lasses

50 entries for the Kids and Girls classes was an awesome sight to see on Saturday morning after a Friday night filled with heavy rains falling around the community. The format was changed up a bit to keep the kids from getting too congested and having too many on the course at one time. The first to hit the short course were 50cc Open lads with Landon Hartz making it two races in a row that he has competed in this season. Hartz grabbed the holeshot and led the duration to take the win ahead of Luke Hicks, Cash Reese, and Dawson Bryant. Trace Payne grabbed the holeshot in the Tadpoles with Pearce Yeargan hot on his fender. Yeargan made the pass and on the first lap Payne was hit from behind causing him and the other lad to go flying thru the air. Neither were hurt seriously and both continued the race. Ensign Payne passed Yeargan to take the lead and then Yeargan pulled off for a short period because his hands and body were freezing. It's easy to imagine because these little guys don't have a lot of body mass to help keep them warm. Yeargan got back on the gas to finish 2nd behind Ensign Payne with Trace claiming 3rd. The Ponytail division had 5 young ladies contending at this one and Brooke Amberson came out of the gate on fire and didn't let off. Observing her race was like watching the Energizer bunny - she just kept going and going and going. No obstacles got in her way and she didn't use the brakes very much. Shelby Henderson and Hannah Baldwin rounded out the podium in this class.



Noah Wright's first race was the Potato Patch. Here at Minooka, he's about to go for a little swim. Great job Noah - 4th in Tadpoles

Cash Reese and Logan Duncan can see the checkered flag at this point. No need to stop racing now - duke it out all the way to the end. Great job guys.



The Future of Dirt Bike Racing is Here and Now. Let us teach them well.



If I counted right and looked thru the lists correctly, we had 17 young ladies competing at Minooka, including 2 little Strider Riders. This is a great accomplishment for our sport and we hope and pray that they will all make lasting friendships that they will have for a lifetime. This is what memories are made of. Great job parents for allowing your young ladies to be a part of this fun time. ( and you too, adult lady competitors)



## Minooka Park Preeteens



With the Preteen class on the course by themselves, it made for an interesting morning of high speed competition. Kyle and Walker Alexander moved up to this class for the day and proved to be just as hard to handle in this class as the 50cc open. Walker nailed a tree in the opening straghtaway to put a damper on his day but thankfully, he was not injured. Kyle led the duration of the race until he caught back up to Walker 7 laps later. When Kyle was trying to get around Walker, Gaines Henderson got around both of them to take the lead and go on and win the class in high speed fashion. Henderson rode very aggressive throughout the course and never hesitated when came upon mud holes or tighter terrain. At the end of lap one he was in 8th and worked his way thru the pack one lap at a time. The top 5 for Preeteens were Henderson, Kyle Alexander, Cade Copeland, Bryson Green and Benton Gregg. Gregg normally contends in the 50cc open class, too, but was unaware of the change up in format, so he missed the start of his regular class. Great job by all who participated.



Walker Alexander had a rough start, losing parts of his motorcycle to boot. Here, Kyle is catching up to him on lap 8 to lap him and Henderson is gaining on both of them. Great sportsmanship guys.



Gaines Henderson wasn't worried about any mud or obstacles on Saturday the 15th. He was out for the win and he had to work to get it. Great job Gaines for overcoming a not so good start for the day but a great finish.



Austin Flory donned a very good number on Saturday - same as our very own Tyler Kyle. It was great to see both Flory and Kyle here at Minooka competing. Maybe if Austin were to ask Kyle, he might just teach him how to walk a wheelie...

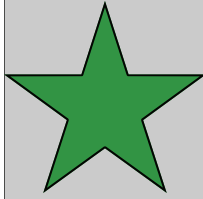


Minooka Park  
Youth and Girls  
Gregg and Melton  
“Getting it Done”

Wow!!! If you were there to watch the Youth and Girls classes attack the Minooka course, you witnessed some very exciting competition and hunger for wins. Ethan Gregg has been challenged a few times this season and at this one he had to come thru the pack after a somewhat bad start, but by the end of lap one he had shot to the front of the pack and came thru the scoring tent with Riley Kilpatrick hot on his heels. By lap two Gregg had extended the lead to 27 seconds and won the race at the end of lap three by less than a minute. Jon McAnnally, Juddson Raia, and Trey Grimes rounded out the top five. Raia had to leave as soon as he finished to go play in a playoff basketball game. Congratulations Judd on the top five finish and the win in your game. The Girls class was one of the most exciting ones to watch ALL day-including the adult race. On lap one, when the riders bypassed the scoring tent after ascending a somewhat tricky little hill, Halli Melton nearly looped out and Kallie Donovan did loop out. They were practically fender to fender when this happened. At the end of lap one when they entered this same section of the course, Donovan came up first, bobbled, Melton went around, bobbled, Donovan still trying to get up, Melton got up, and Donovan got up. And while all of this was going on, Kathryn Hyde was only ten seconds behind them. And off again we go for lap two. At the end of lap two Melton was 7 seconds out front of Hyde and Donovan had dropped off the pace a bit and running in a distant third. Melton focused and managed to stay out front and finished a mere 5 seconds in front of Hyde. Donovan, Tammy Norris and Debbie Barr rounded out the top 5. The championship for this class depends on the last two races of the season. Right now, Donovan has a one point edge. Don't miss watching these two “scrap” their way to the top. It's all good clean fun.



While Ethan Gregg is putting his left foot out, Kallie Donovan and Halli Melton are doing the “Hokey Pokey”...That's what it's all about....Great Job by all the contenders.



## Minooka Park It's a Family Tradition Ousley, Carter, Ousley "Who's buying supper?"



At any time during an event like a harescramble or enduro, and you hear what sounds like controlled chaos coming from a far distance, you can almost guess who it is. If it's 4 strokes, it's Cliff Ousley, 2 strokes, it's Tyler Carter. These two seem to never let off the gas and they always look smooth while blasting thru the trails. The squeaking brakes identifies them pretty well, too. When they are only a second or two apart, it's hard to tell who is out front until you actually see them with your own eyes. And that is how it happened at Minooka. Moto one went to Carter who finished 3 laps with a 5 second lead over Ousley and moto two went to Ousley who finished with a 4 second lead over Carter. One second made a big difference in a football game recently, but it's the second moto that breaks the tie here in our sport. Neal Ousley rode a consistent pace to finish in the final podium position with Micah Seale and Jeff Harris rounding out the top 5. About 9 minutes into the race, David Melton came to a halt at the road crossing and said that he had nailed a tree pretty good. I don't know if it should be pretty good or pretty bad - depending on perspective. He rested for a minute and then decided to head back to the truck. Melton mentioned that Neal Ousley came about as close to hitting him as possible without actually doing so. He was very thankful that Ousley used his head and avoided the "what could have been" bad situation. The B Open class had a returning face that we haven't seen in a while and he showed up and made the podium in his 2014 debut. Aaron McNeill claimed the third spot on the podium by besting Brandon Farmer who had one 3rd in moto 1. Clay Baldwin and Caleb Cofield finished first and second. Dallas Prescott aced the large C 250 class by going 1-2 on the day. Ed Singley won the second moto but DNF'ed moto 1. Johnny Crane won bragging rights for the ride home with Justin as he placed second and the son claimed fourth. Jackson Conn finished third and Rudy Ferguson rounded out the top five.

