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Local moto park to host amateur regional championships

Motorcyclists throughout the Midwest will converge on Hoopeston this weekend.

The North Central Amateur Regional Motocross Championships will be held Saturday and Sunday at Bailey Motosports Park in rural Hoopeston, said Jim Bailey.

Bailey and his brother, Todd, own the park.

Between 300 and 500 riders from Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Florida, Georgia and Arkansas are expected. "It'll be a busy weekend," Bailey said.

Riders began arriving Wednesday and will continue through Friday night. They will fill area motels, and many will take advantage of free camping at the 23-acre motocross park, Bailey said.

It is not only the riders, but their families, as well, who

will be coming to Hoopeston. "It's really kind of neat they way they come around," Bailey said. "Motocross at the amateur level is really a family sport."

Saturday action begins with practice at 9 a.m. Races will begin at 11 a.m. and continue until 6 or 7 p.m. Sunday, practice will begin at 8 a.m. followed by racing at 9

Riders will compete in 17 classes based on bike size, riding experience and age. Motorcycles used in races will include 125, 250 and 500 cc.

Two motos will be run Saturday and a third Sunday. The combined total of the three will give the overall score in determining winners in each class.

The local event is one of eight regionals held through-

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Letters to the Editor



Police should obey driving laws

Editor:

I'm writing this letter in regard to our Illinois law and the officers who enforce the law. What I'm getting at is before they can enforce the law, they better abide by it first.

Last week in Hoopeston it was raining. We had our wipers and headlights on but this officer just had his wipers and not lights. The Illinois law says both and no excuses.

I just wanted to bring your attention to this situation.

Jovce Brookwalter Wellington

What's in a street name?

Editor:

Recent discussion has arisen about the proposed re-

naming of Orange Street to Cornjerker Dr. Some may find this to be a great idea; others may not be thrilled about it. I do not really care nonetheless about what street name is what as long as we don't have the A Street, B Street, etc., etc. trend.

However, in my observation of this proposal, I quite frankly do not see where a street on which the speed limit is 40 miles per hour is a drive. Now, to the people from Indiana who travel 20 m.p.h. down the street, then I can see where it would be a *drive*, but that's beside the point.

But if you rename the street Cornjerker Ave., etc., then what about John Greer? You have Honeywell Ave., Maple St., but no Greer Road. I betcha ol' John's rolling over in his grave over this one!

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Championships continued from other side

out the country, Bailey said. Winners in each class will go to finals competition in August at Hurricane Mills, part of the Loretta Lynn circuit.

Although the park hosts area qualifiers yearly, this is the second time in the six-season history of the park that regional races have been run here.

Bailey applied and be selected by MX Sports, head of the national championships, to host the competition.

In order for riders to compete, they must be members of the American Motorcyclist Association, Bailey said, adding no local people are competing.

Weekend weather is expected to be dry and hot. While hot is not good news for the riders, dry is, although wet weather would not have cancelled the event. "We would have to run this race rain or shine," Bailey said.

Admission to the races is \$8 per day per person or \$15 for a two-day pass. Children under six will be admitted free.

The park is located four miles west of Hoopeston on

We appreciate

Route 9, then four miles south on County Road 990E. Signs will be posted leading to the track.

Court Dispositions



June 18: William Fultz Jr., Pontiac, speeding; continued.

Heather Holland, Hoopeston, stop sign violation, pleaded not guilty; bench trial July 23.

Jamie Johnson, Hoopeston, handicapped parking; summons issued.

Robert Akers, Hoopeston, trespassing, pleaded not guilty; bench trial July 23.

Rick Bugera, Hoopeston, leash law, pleaded guilty, \$75, costs; noisy animal, \$50, costs.

Billy Buss, Hoopeston, battery, disorderly conduct, pleaded not guilty; bench trial Aug. 8.

Ramon Caraballo, Hoopeston, to pay \$45 fine and costs, \$100 restitution; failed to appear.

Pam Chandler, Hoopeston, noisy animals, pleaded

Letters continued from other side

Then there's the appropriately named Bank St. Or is it? Community and Palmer don't have Bank St. addresses. Neither does Kankakee Federal Savings and Loan, or are they even located near Bank St. Favoritism on the city's behalf? I haven't been out there lately, but are there actually any pines on Pine St.? Should I bother to point out that Hoopeston does not have a seminary, either?

Also, something else I've notices is that Hoopeston no longer has a college. So what is the use of having a College Way if we don't have a college in this town? How about renaming that street Former College way?

Gavin Hamilton Hoopeston

Weather



Partly sunny, hot and humid today and tomorrow. Highs 94, lows 73.

For the current weather conditions, call the **Hoopeston Weather Line** at (217) 283-6221.

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Police News



Robert Mixen, 21, of 710B W. Main, turned himself in to police at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday. Wanted on a warrant for failure to appear, Mixen was released on \$85 cash bond.

Classifieds

BID NOTICE

Hoopeston Area C.U.S.D. #11 is accepting sealed bids for a Stoux Valve Face Grinding Machine, 115 volt, 7.8 amp. May be seen at High School Auto Shop. Bids will be accepted until 1:30 p.m. on July 1, 1998 at the Superintendent's Office, 615 E. Orange, Hoopeston, IL 60942.

HELP WANTED

Hoopeston Multi Agency has openings for part time supervisor and part time assistants working with youth, ages 10-16. Send resume and references to HMA, ATTN.: Director, 206 S. First Ave., Hoopeston, IL 60942.

Hoopeston Area High School is seeking applications for a High School Computer Lab Aide. Computer skills are a must. Position will not be filled until August. Beginning date is august 17, 1998. Please send letters of application to Hoopeston Area High School, ATTN: Principal, 615 E. Orange, Hoopeston, IL 60942.

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