

**500 Miles of Racing**

The drop of the first green flag of the 2003 racing season signals the start of an exciting summer to come. MAORA is offering over 500 miles of racing in two series of Off Road action. In addition to the 7 race Short Course series Lincoln Trail Off Roaders are also producing a three race Endurance series. All enduros will be held at Casey IL. The first and last events will be held on Sundays following Saturday Short Course events while the Saturday July 12 race will be held in conjunction with a motocross event held in the same park but on a different track. All events are 200 km, that's 30 laps on a beautiful 4 mile track.

Qualifying is back for this year and for all of our new racers here's how it works. MAORA Short Course events are held on tracks ranging from 3/8 to 1 mile in length. Three 10-12 lap motos are ran with the best overall finisher declared winner. The fastest qualifier starts in front the first and third moto, the field is inverted the second moto. Racers can expect about 30-45 minutes between their motos.

**Treasurer's Report**

March 31 2003

Starting balance:	\$ 3,659.24
Income:	\$ 0.00
Expenses:	\$ 1,138.50
Ending balance:	\$ 2,520.74



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**Race Dates:**

- Sat May 17** Casey IL
- Sun May 18** 200 Km Enduro Casey IL  
Race Director: Dirk Carlen (217) 923-3115
- Sun June 1** Charleston IL  
Race Director: Mark Beabout(217) 345-2996
- Sat June 21** OPEN
- Sat July 12** 200 Km Enduro Casey IL  
Race Director: Tim Scherer (618) 392-0351
- Sat July 20** (Tentative) Indianapolis IN
- Sat Aug 23** Bedford IN
- Sun Sept 7** Charleston IL  
Race Director: Larry Eckel (618) 754-3631
- Sat Sept 27** Casey IL  
Race Director: Rich Albin (217) 895-2306
- Sun Sept 28** 200 Km Enduro Casey IL  
Race Director: Todd Ashworth(217) 923-3216

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**Berryville Sells the Farm**

The Bonpas MX track is history. The track owners literally sold the farm that the track was located on. Corn, beans or some other crop will be growing where our competitors faced each other last season. Thanks for the memories.

**maoraracing.com News**

Save you and your team a little time on Race Day. Have all your paper work filled out before you arrive at the track. Visit the Driver's Meeting section of MAORA's web site and find printer friendly forms.

Now available on MAORA's web site:

- \* 2003 Membership Application
- \* Tech & Registration Form
- \* Race Team Release Waiver
- \* 2003 Rules of Competition

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**Casey Off Road Race**

Well its time to uncover and dust off those trucks and buggies. Race time is here. 1<sup>st</sup> heat race May 17 Registration starts at 9:00 and ends at 11:00 The driver's meeting will be at noon followed by hot laps and time trials. Racing will start at 1:00. Then don't miss the May 18 enduro race. There will be an added purse sponsored by Harris Metals to be split by all pro classes. Free camping Friday and Saturday nights, \$8.00 a person gate fee, kids 12 and under free. So make sure you invite everyone and come and have fun. Let's make this a good year.

Dirk Carlen Race Director

**Fresh Poop !**

Can you say "Photo Opportunity" if so this could be your year. Casey's opener is going to be packed. Race teams from Florida to Minnesota, from Class 12 Woods buggies to the ultra-fast Class 9 cars, from the economy Class 7e trucks to the big V8s want to race with MAORA. Show up early and bring your cameras this is going to be a great year.

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**President's Awards**

One of the perks that comes with being the club's president is naming the recipients of the year end Presidential Awards. This year is kind of special with two series offered, so I am announcing before the start of the season that I will be presenting a Special Award to the race team that earns the most combined points in the two series. Just think, if you are trying for this prize, when the stager walks in front of you to ask if you are ready for that first heat at Casey there are ONLY 500 miles to go.

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