

HAPPY RAMBLERS MOTORCYCLE CLUB

2025 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION & INFORMATION PACKET

1. <u>Overview</u>

The Happy Ramblers Motorcycle Club welcomes your interest in or return to our organization. Our club is chartered by the *AMA*, American Motorcyclist Association, and has a rich history of motorcycle riding and racing. You may think the name "Happy Ramblers" seems dated for a club today, but we are all very proud of our heritage and accomplishments and would never think of changing it! For over 85 years, motorcyclists have enjoyed riding together, and developing what is known as the "Happy Ramblers Motorcycle Club Family." Our club is fortunate to own 20+ acres of property, a clubhouse, and multiple pieces of equipment, all for the purpose of maintaining a recreational, competitive, and educational, motorcycling facility.

Being a member is not a free ticket to ride at the track, but a commitment to being part of our club. An active working member is the life blood of the club. They keep the gates open by operating and maintaining the facility throughout the year. The money generated at these events goes directly back into the operational cost of the club (mortgage/taxes/equipment/etc). Unlike other racetracks, all monies generated throughout the year go directly back into the facility. None of the members of the Happy Ramblers Motorcycle Club are paid for their services to the club.

Club meetings are held on the second Thursday of every month at 7:00PM. These meetings are mandatory for all members.

2. Membership Guidelines

- a. Your membership includes your immediate household family only, for example: member, spouse, children. Children need to be under the age of 21.
- b. A.M.A. Membership is a strong recommendation for admission to our club. Call today, and join by phone, Call **1-800-AMA-JOIN.** Or on their website: **AmericanMotorcyclist.com**
- c. No refunds will be granted once your membership is purchased unless your application is rejected.
- d. As a club member you will be asked to help out in any of the following capacities to maintain HRMC, but your duties are not limited to any one area;
 - i. Grounds- This duty entails mowing, trash pickup, banner repair, fencing repair, weed eating etc. (This job will need to be performed throughout the week, or on weekends).
 - ii. Track Maintenance- This duty entails repairs of waterlines, flagging stands, starting gate, and equipment, etc. (This job will need be performed throughout the week as well as on race/ practice weekends)
 - iii. Track Prep- This duty entails the watering and dirt works operations of preparing the racing surface for our events. (This job will need to be performed BOTH throughout the week prior to the event, as needed, as well as on the race/ practice weekends)
 - iv. Staging- This duty is required on our race/ practice weekends. On practice events you are required to check wrist bands to ensure all riders have signed up and let them onto the track as scheduled. On race weekends you are to load the gate with riders, and drop the gate in a timely fashion, as led by your appointed flagger.
 - v. Office- This duty is required on our race/ practice weekends. As an office worker you are to report to the office in a timely fashion to assist with



signing up riders. You will then be asked to score (if it is a race weekend). You will then be asked to help handout trophies as the races end.

- vi. Flagging- This duty is required on our race/ practice weekends. You will be taught proper flagging etiquette from our flagging coordinator and be assigned a flagging stand. You are to remain in your flagging stand until relieved or the event is over.
- vii. Entrance Gate This duty is required during race weekends. You will be responsible for ensuring every visitor to our facility signs the AMA release waiver and for collecting their spectator fee.

<u>Club Membership Guidelines:</u> Club members run our facility. As a member you will be expected to fluidly assist in operating the club.

- e. Club membership dues are \$100 for returning members and \$150 for new members per Calendar Year.
- f. All members must attend monthly club meetings, held on the second Thursday of the month at 7:00 PM in the clubhouse. These meetings are where ideas, discussions, and votes are made, by the entire club membership, that shape the future of Happy Ramblers Motorcycle Club.

2025 Tentative Meeting Dates:

January 9, 2025; February 13, 2025; March 13, 2025; April 10, 2025; May 8, 2025; June 12, 2025; July 10, 2025; August 14, 2025; September 11, 2025; October 9, 2025; November 13, 2025; December 11, 2025

The November and December meetings are when members are nominated and voted into the HRMC Board.

- g. Club Members are required to complete a minimum of 80 hours of work during the calendar year(150 hours for board members). The hours worked will be tracked and evaluated periodically. These hours can be earned in various ways(ie: assignments during event weekends, property maintenance between events such as weed whacking, mowing, emptying trash bins into dumpster, cleaning out starting gate, repairs to fences and structures on property, maintaining sprinkler system, etc). As an HRMC club member we acknowledge that this is a 100% voluntary commitment to ensure the future of this club. Every member has other commitments we need to attend to, work, family, vacations, personal events, etc. But, the more active members are, the lighter the work load is for everyone. If you are interested in learning new activities that keep the club running please ask. Our commitment to the Happy Ramblers Motorcycle Club is not for personal gain but to ensure the club is around for future generations to come. All club members are required to have their minimum hour (80) commitment fulfilled by the end of the last racing event of the year. Additionally, as part of the 80 hour commitment to the club, members must attend, and work, at least 1/3 of the public event days(races, and open practices).
 - i. Members that work over 250 hours will have their membership fee waived for the following calendar year.
 - ii. Evaluations will be decided by the board and tentatively will be in May, July, and October
 - iii. First offense of insufficient hours Warning(Written or verbal)
 - iv. Second offense of insufficient hours Access to the track is suspended until hours are satisfactory.
 - v. Please sign in and sign out each day you work an event. If you work during non event hours please notify the board member responsible for tracking member hours. Their contact information will be posted in the clubhouse.
 - vi. Failure to complete the minimum require working hours for the calendar year could result in the membership not being renewed for the next year.



- h. Club members are responsible for the job that they sign up for each event but are not limited to only that assignment.
 - i. If you cannot fulfill your assigned job duties, it is your responsibility to find someone who can.
- i. Club members DO NOT pay fees during Open Practices
- j. Club members are required to pay membership fees to MDRA, MAMA, District 6, and Master's races (whether that is a 1 day pass or an annual membership), if they are racing in the event.
 - i. Each working membership family is granted TWO free racing classes per race day. (For MAMA, MDRA, & Quad Race weekends, working members will be required to cover the rider fee for their race registration, usually \$5 per class)
 - ii. Club members do not pay a spectator/entrance fee for race weekends
- 3. <u>General Rules and Regulations for all HRMC Memberships</u>
 - Each Individual Member and all family members will be required to follow all of the Rules stated below
 - 1. All members and their families must adhere to instructions of HRMC Board Members at all times.
 - 2. All members are able to park their personal camper/ RV on the HRMC grounds at no charge, provided it road worthy (you will be held responsible for the upkeep surrounding your camper/RV)
 - a. HRMC will not be held responsible for any damages.
 - 3. No minors under 18 years of age can ride without adult supervision.
 - It is important to respect the neighbors. Approved riding times are: Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday: 9am -7pm Monday and Tuesday: 9am-5pm
 If you are riding during non-approved house, you will be supported.
 - If you are riding during non-approved hours, you will be suspended.
 - 5. Gate fee is waived on race weekends
 - No guarantee of track prep except open practice weekends and event days
 - 7. You are permitted to ride on the track only and to and from your pits. There will be no riding on the grass surrounding the track, the driveway, or in the fields.
 - 8. Required gear includes Helmet, Goggles, Gloves, Long Pants and Boots Covering Ankles.
 - 9. Use of alcohol or controlled substances is prohibited. Suspicion of use of these substances will result in an immediate ejection and possible suspension of membership.
 - **10. If track conditions are creating dust, you must water if you want to ride.** Your membership does require that you learn how to operate the sprinkler system for watering the track.
 - **11.** Your HRMC ID card must be with you when you enter the facility. You may be asked to present your ID at any time.
 - **12.** All members are required to sign a release every time that you enter the facility (see black box by entrance gate to complete the paperwork).
 - 13. You are required to close and lock the gate after entry. The gate is to be closed and locked at all times.
 - 14. Members are allowed to bring guests to the track with the following provisions:
 - a. All non-members (and members) must sign the release waiver form prior to entrance of the facility. This includes both people who are spectators and riding. The forms are located in the large mailbox at the entrance gate.
 - b. All non-members must have a member accompanying them at all times.



c. Any non-members riding on the track, during nonevent days must pay the \$20 fee per day and place it in the drop slot on the door of the clubhouse (not the mailbox!). Spectators are free.

Note: The front gate is monitored 24/7. Any member caught bringing guests to the facility and not paying will have their membership immediately terminated without refund.

- d. All non-members must follow all the same track rules as members. Members are fully responsible for guests/non-members and can be disciplined accordingly.
- 15. As a member you have the authority to question if riders have paid fees to ride. Please contact a member of the executive board if you have any suspicions.
- 16. Use of HRMC track grooming equipment is prohibited unless authorized.
- 17. HRMC will strive to keep the facility open for riding at all times. There will be times when the track may be closed for riding. HRMC reserves the right to close the track at any time, with or without prior notification to the members. We will do our best to keep the Web Site and Facebook page updated, please check before coming to the track.
 - a. <u>http://www.happyramblersmx.com</u>
 - b. <u>https://www.facebook.com/HappyRamblersMC</u>
- 18. First offense for not following all posted track rules, guidelines, By-laws, and the rules and regulations included in your membership application will result in a 30 day suspension of privileges. 2nd offense will result in the termination of your membership.
- 19. Rules and Regulations are subject to change at any time with the approval of HRMC board members. You will be notified by email if any changes are made.
- 20. HRMC Members are provided with a key fob that will permit members access to enter the main entrance to the facility(New members are required to complete 20 hours of work before they are given a key fob). Members are responsible for the safety and security of their issued key fob. If a member looses or damages their key fob they may be required to cover the cost to replace it.

4. <u>Club board membership Structure</u>

HRMC Board

President - Jed Haines(Reelection 2025) Vice President - Josh Boschert(Reelection 2024) Treasurer - Ashley Arentz(Reelection 2025) Secretary - Jason Cotterino(Reelection 2024) Track Manager - Cory Gilliam(Reelection 2024) Watering Manager - Ritchie Perry(Reelection 2025) Grounds Manager - Eric Whiting(Reelection 2025) Equipment Manager - Luke Stonesifer(Reelection 2024) Membership Manager - Frank Knoblock(Reelection 2024)

Each board member position serves a 2 year term, unless they are voted into a position that has been vacated before the term is up. Elections for board positions are held every year, half the board each year.

*Beginning for 2025 the Membership Manger board position will be reallocated to a second Grounds Manager. The responsibilities of the Membership Manager will be absorbed by the Secretary.





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2025 Membership Application Receipt



Name of applicant:		
Club officer:		
Date received:	Cash / Check #	(circle one)
Amount received: \$		
Authorized signature of a club off	icer:	
Signature of Applicant:		

If the application is rejected, the fee will be refunded in full.

Tentative Happy Ramblers 2025 Race Schedule

April 26 – MAMA Practice; April 27 – MAMA Race *May 3 - Masters MX May 4 - Open Practice Day May 17 - District 6 Ultimate Quad Series Practice; May 18 - D6UQS Race June 7 - East Coast Mini Moto Race June 8 - HRMC Member Ride day (HRMC Members Only) June 14 – District 6 Motocross Practice; June 15 – District 6 MX Race July 26 - MDRA Practice; July 27 - MDRA Race *September 13 - Masters MX Race; September 14 - Open Practice September 20 - District 6 Motocross Practice; September 21 - D6MX Race September 27 - District 6 Ultimate Quad Series Practice; September 28 - D6UQS Race (There will possibly be a "flea" market after practice on the 27th) October 4 - MAMA Practice; October 5 - MAMA Race October 25 - District 6 Flat Track TT Race; October 26 District 6 Flat Track TT Race (Double Header Race) *Possibly an open practice the Friday before Masters Races(If sign up quota is met)

There will be open practices added to the schedule once the club votes on the practice dates.





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HAPPY RAMBLERS MOTORCYCLE CLUB 4340 HANOVER ROAD. HANOVER, PA 17331

Please print all information clearly.

Name:
Address: City:
State:Zip:
Phone number (include area code): ()
Email Address:
Aembership Type: ReturningNew Lifetime
Date received: Cash / Check # (circle one)
Amount received: \$
Signature of Applicant:
A.M.A number: A.M.A. expiration date:// certify that the information listed above is correct and that I am at least 18 years of age. I am also an I.S. citizen, I own and operate a motorcycle, and I am an AMA member. understand motorcycle riding is an inherently dangerous sport. Therefore, I hereby give up all of my ights to sue or make any claim whatsoever against the Happy Ramblers Motorcycle Club or the officers of the Happy Ramblers Motorcycle Club, for any injury to myself or to others, any property damage, or ny crippling injury or death. understand I must follow the club rules regarding practice on club property. The track may be closed lue to dusty or dangerous conditions, and it is my responsibility as a member, to use the facility esponsibly. The track must be watered if dusty conditions exist or I may not ride. I understand riolators of this rule will lose all club privileges immediately. nitial here
Children – Name & Age

List the license plate number of any vehicle you intend on parking at the facility.



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Name:	Birthdate:	
Street Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:

Family Members	Date of Birth	Age	Signature

THIS IS A RELEASE AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT - READ BEFORE SIGNING

I hereby give up all my rights to sue or make any claim for damages due to negligence or any other reason whatsoever against the American Motorcyclist Association and it's respective district organizations, the promoters, sponsors, and all other persons, participants, or organizations conducting or connected with this event for injury to property or person I may suffer, including crippling injury or death while participating in any activity and while upon the premises.

I know the risk of danger to myself and my property while preparing for and participating in the sport of motorcycle riding/racing and while on the premises and relying upon my own judgement and ability, assume all such risks of loss and hereby agree to reimburse all costs to those persons or organizations connected with this event for damages incurring as a result of my negligence.

THIS IS A RELEASE	Printed Name of Participant	Date
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	Signature of Participant	Date
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