
From: Sasha Torre <Sasha.Torre@halo.com>
Sent: Saturday, May 13, 2023 5:33 PM
To: Contact Council
Subject: Motorsports in Snohomish County

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Hello!

I'm a Snohomish county resident and have been since I was two years old (now 47). I picked up riding a dirt bike again at 40 years old after riding as a child and it's been the best thing that's ever happened in my life. I have met some of the most amazing families who offer nothing but support and encouragement. Little kids on 50cc bikes all the way up to super fast men on 450's who race all support this little mama who picked this sport up on a whim a few years ago. It's something I can take my child with me to do for fun. Nights in Monroe at the track were spent playing and riding and our whole family having a great time! It was one of the saddest moments in our lives when first the outdoor track was closed which we rode twice a week while first learning to ride and then a further punch to the gut when the indoor riding was threatened to shut down as well. To be honest, I feel unwelcome in my own community. Everyone outside of the community believes the dirt bikes are a nuisance. They're loud, and the people who ride them are disrespectful to the land or the community. This could not be further from the truth. Our sport is chalked full of families who love their kids, they love our community and they love our sport. Furthermore we support better land management as well and we do trail work nonstop to keep up the trails we do have left in the state. I would like nothing more than to have a place to ride safely with my child. We have to drive to Whidbey Island, an hour and a half away to ride at a track. That's absolutely ridiculous!! Snohomish county has systematically shut down each and every open track in the area one by one. Not only that but the open land to ride has ceased to exist as well. There is no where outside of getting invited to a private track to teach a little one to ride safely. You have to know someone already in the sport and secure an invite to ride (which is no easy task). Please, I beg you, my family begs you, provide an area where we can ride. Evergreen speedway had the perfect setup for year round riding. The outdoor track was amazing and had plenty of room for the track and parking. It was affordable to get there not having to drive a million miles away and we could hang out with all our local moto family friends whilst having fun doing something active that the whole family could participate in. Please bring it back!! We will show up and our family sport will continue to grow and support the business around us while we do so!

Thanks,
Sasha

Sasha Torre

Account Director

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From: amber gregory <ambercg08@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 17, 2023 7:12 PM
To: Contact Council
Subject: Save Motorcross

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Dear council,

I write this letter to beg you to not get rid of motorcross. It is so important to our community and just another outlet for kids to escape social media and other issue facing our young kids.

My son is not into sports but really excels in motor cross, and enjoys to be out in nature. Please do not take this outlet away.

Sincerely,
Amber Harper

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From: michelle overcash <calicocat313@hotmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 17, 2023 5:23 PM
To: Contact Council
Subject: Motorsports in Monroe

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Hello,

I'm writing as a Lake Stevens mom of two girls and two step sons who all love riding atv's. I know we don't speak up enough to let Snohomish County reps know how much this sport really does mean to families living here. We've been racing since my youngest daughter turned 3. She eats, sleeps, and breathes time on her quad. Being able to race in Monroe keeps her active, her confidence up and the community involvement has given her new friends and family she wouldn't have had if she was just sitting at home playing video games. She isn't the most popular kid at school, and went through billing after the pandemic. If it weren't for the outlets she gets racing, she could have fallen into deep desperate places. But, riding her quad in Monroe makes her feel strong, fearless, unstoppable and it all came from this passion she has for the sport!

My step son also began racing and was lacking in confidence and felt insecure as he was coming of age. Being able to race in Monroe absolutely took that insecurity away. Now he has the courage to go out and apply in the construction Union. He now works for Sanska as a journeymen in the commercial construction field. This speaks to what people need in the community and it pays off! He is now a functioning member of society just at the age of 20! I fully believe this sport saved my kids lives! Please keep it open for our youth! Not everyone plays sports in school, and this is something they can do and build confidence from in the process of having fun and staying out of trouble!

This picture is my daughter Avery doing what she loves most! Thank you for the time and see you on the 24th!



~Michelle

From: Sevanah McNeil <vanivaulter@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 17, 2023 7:17 PM
To: Contact Council
Subject: indoor motor spots in monroe wa

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As a member of snohomish county I am speaking on behalf of the moto community. Winter racing is a way for many families to get their littles out on the track and start their racing careers, for teenagers its a way to re connect with friends who share love for the same sport, for some it's a fun and affordable way to get out of the house on the weekend, and also we get to watch some incredible racers such a carson brown and other pros in the washington area.

Personally I do not race, but the one thing I look forward to in the long cold winters is going to watch my friends and family race. Not only that, i've heard from many other non racers that they enjoy coming out on Saturdays and Sundays to watch the races.

This is a way for teenagers to hangout with their friends and do what they love most. This community has shown nothing but respect towards the fair grounds and even through the toughest times of covid, we continued to come out and enjoy some racing while of course respecting the mandates and rules just so we would race. This keeps our kids off their video games, off their screens, and out of bad habits and trouble. We need this not only for the kids, but for the community as well. This event brings people into local restaurants, gas stations, and hotels.

As an equestrian who competes several times throughout the year on these grounds, I 100% support racing indoors. Racers stay out of out barns and other arenas, and they clean up after themselves.

We NEED indoor winter racing at monroe fair ground!

From: Wonderboy952 <lukewinkler2@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 17, 2023 7:47 PM
To: Contact Council
Subject: Keep motorsports please

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I have been racing the WHR Arenacross series since I was 12 years old now I'm 17 and I raced it throughout all those years and the amount of relationships I have been able to build just around the series. I just ask you keep the series going so more youth can enjoy it as I did.

From: Ashley Spear <ashleyb.spear@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 18, 2023 10:36 AM
To: Contact Council
Subject: Save Snohomish County Motorsports
Attachments: 5.jpg; 3.jpg; 1.jpg; 2.jpg; 4.jpg; 6.jpg

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Good Morning Snohomish County Council Members,

I am writing this today in hopes to bring a little more understanding as to why it is so important to our Motorsport community to keep this sport alive and thriving in our county. I am a mother, I am a wife and I am the biggest cheerleader to not only my children and husband but to all of our friends and "family" throughout this community. I didn't grow up riding dirt bikes, quads or karts but my children have grown up this way and I for one would never want to see it any other way. What many see as a loud and obnoxious dirt bike, we in this community see Grit, Determination, Mechanical Skills, Perseverance, Frustration, FUN, Friendships, Multi Generational Bonding, Goals, Wins, Losses, Achievements and even some broken bones but as many in this sport know, you've got to get back on that "horse." My daughter is 15 years old and a Sophomore at Snohomish High School. She took up dirt bike riding and racing during Covid as the only place we could safely venture out was to the woods to ride on some trails and enjoy the fresh air and nature. This eventually led her to wanting to race like her younger brother and being that motorsports was an outside venue, it was what we chose to do. I watched this timid girl who hadn't been on a dirt bike since she was 5 and landed herself in the Trauma Unit at Prov for crashing because she "knows what she is doing dad" to finding confidence and crushing goals and being one of the few young women not only out there riding but winning. My son is now 12 and he has been riding and racing since he was 5 years old. He eats, sleeps and breathes dirt bikes. It is his life and this sport is life for not just many kids but many families. My parents, my in-laws and even my 91 year old Grandmother has come to watch my kids race in Monroe and they absolutely love the commodes between all the racers and their families. We are moto moms, moto dads, moto kids but most importantly we are Moto Family whether or not we're blood or just bonded for life within this sport and community. My children have had the opportunities to see parts of our great state that we may have never ventured to see because of racing. Some of my sons best friends have not been made at school but at the starting line or in the pits at the race track. I beg you to come out to Evergreen Fairgrounds on a Saturday night for a race this winter...the amount of teenagers there either racing or just there to support their friends and family is my biggest push in saving this sport in our county. These teens could be out causing ruckus in town or at a party but they are in the barn and out of trouble doing what they LOVE!

Thank you for your time

Ashley Spear
Lake Stevens, WA







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From: Complete Landscape <completelandscape@comcast.net>
Sent: Thursday, May 18, 2023 10:47 AM
To: Contact Council
Subject: Save Snohomish County Motosports

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Dear Council Members

I have been a lifelong resident of Snohomish County. I grew up in the Bothell/Mill Creek area and over time I have seen the disappearance of many places to ride dirt bikes in this area. I remember riding trails along the pipeline out near Monroe with my Parents, Brothers and Friends. Myself and my brothers both raced flat track out at the Evergreen Fairgrounds in the 80s and 90s. This sport has been my life for as long as I know, and it is now in the blood of my son and daughter. I can't express the importance of keeping the Motorsports in Snohomish County. I know too many families that have left the area because riding access is just not accessible as it is in other parts of our state and country. At 42 I have taken up racing again alongside my children and I Can't begin to express how that makes me feel. I'm lucky my children not only spend such quality time with me but they WANT to be doing this as a family. Motorsports can be dangerous but so can any sport in fact my son broke his hand at school playing Basketball but the Rewards far outweigh the Risks. Please Snohomish County Council...Lets keep making Motorsports Amazing in this County!!!

Thank you,

Steven Spear
Lake Stevens, WA

From: alex tocco <alex_tocco@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 18, 2023 1:04 PM
To: Contact Council
Subject: Dnr land in machias

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We all really hope you will allow motorcycles back into the carpenter rd dnr in machias. That's my childhood riding area and it breaks my heart that I'm running out of places in my hometown to ride! If there was a way to block out sxs vehicles the trails would be kept clean and nice. My group always does our best to grab any trash we see and pack it out. Please please don't permanently close the carpenter dnr.

Alex
-lifelong machias citizen

[Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android](#)

From: Christopher Marsh <vintagedirtbiker32@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, May 19, 2023 9:57 AM
To: Contact Council
Subject: Motorsports Resolution

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Snohomish County Council Members,

My name is Christopher Marsh and I live at 504 N Granite Ave, Granite Falls, WA 98252.

I encourage you to vote yes on the Motorsports Resolution that is brought before you. We were flabbergasted hearing that the Parks Department decided to not renew the lease for using the arena at the fairground for Motorsports. This is a devastating blow to our communities.

For 50+ years we have been able to bring our children to the fairgrounds and allow them to follow their dreams of racing their favorite form of motorsports and stay local to their homes so that their friends and families can also enjoy their experiences and support them.

My son, at age 4, wanted to be a motorcycle racer. I told him that first he must learn to ride a bicycle, so within 2 weeks Carsten was riding a bicycle and we went out and started to build on his dream.

My son raced until he 16 and over that time we made 100's of friends from all over the state that came to race at the Monroe Venue. This has been a very positive experience for him.

My oldest son started racing when he was 6. He was diagnosed with autism when he was 3 years old and had a hard time interacting with public. When he started to race at Monroe, a whole new door opened for him. Though he wasn't very competitive, he was happy to get out there and make laps and wave at the crowd. Christian also made a lot of friends with the Motorsports community. He has adapted well to society, has confidence in his abilities and still loves to race.

The nice thing about motorsports is that you can get into the sport fairly economically and the Motorsports families are very willing to help each other out by donating safety gear and helping fix equipment so that we all get to go out and have safe fun.

So I will end with this, It is very positive environment with a lot of support for our kids that doesn't rely on tons of money or equipment to be able to enjoy. There is no better thing to witness and be a part of than to watch children grow and succeed in our sport. Rarely do you see an unhappy child at the race track.

Please vote yes to the Motorsports resolution and keep providing safe clean places for our kids to have fun.

Thank you for your consideration and have a great day,

Christopher Marsh

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From: Shannon McCarthy <shannonwithmch@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, May 19, 2023 11:23 AM
To: Contact Council
Subject: Motocross and what it means to my son

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Hello Snohomish City Council members!

I want to take a minute and tell you about my son. He has always loved to ride. We got him a power wheels quad when he was 1. By 2, he would stand on the seat, drive it over things and just loved it to pieces. He graduated to a bigger quad at 4 and would do wheelies and drift it around corners. I can't explain how easy this all came to him.

In kindergarten it was discovered that he had a vision issue that affected his learning. He really struggled academically. It affected his mental health. He would tell me he is stupid. That he isn't like other kids. He was really down on himself. We were going to specialists 3 days a week after school. Our whole life felt like school and specialists. It all felt so draining but we tried our best to help him catch up.

It was at this time that we bought him his first dirtbike. He raced for the first time at 7. He wasn't good at first and it took time to learn the sport but eventually he became one of the best at his age. Racing is his life. He feels like a superstar on that bike. It has helped him feel better about himself in ways I will never be able to truly explain. It has helped him grow and mature. He has to dig deep when things are tough, get back up after a fall, learn to listen to instructors, and to be a gracious loser when he doesn't win. There are so many things that come out of this sport that are AMAZING. It gave him a renewed energy that he could put into his learning. I am proud to say he is 11 now and is at grade level for his academics. It was a long road. I honestly believe without racing he would never have had the self confidence he has now.

Unfortunately, we are slowly losing all of our facilities. We only have a handful of places to ride on our side of the state and your current facility is the only one in all of western Washington that we can count on with our crazy PNW weather.

These kids and adults who ride deserve to be recognized just like any other sport. My son now races on a national level and our kids here in Washington are already at a disadvantage due to the weather and lack of facilities. For example a kid in California gets to ride 10 times to my kids 1 time. We often have to travel far to ride and everytime we lose a facility here that gets worse.

I strongly urge you to find a more permanent solution to keep these riders on their bikes as much as possible.

I hope you can see that it really means the world to many of them 

Thank you for your time.

From: [Robert Rinas \(C-Sharp Photo\)](#)
To: [Contact Council](#); [Mead, Jared](#)
Subject: In Support of Motorsports Resolution (to be heard 24 May 2023)
Date: Friday, May 19, 2023 8:28:13 PM

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Good day members of the Snohomish County Council:

I am writing this in support of a Motorsports Resolution regarding the Evergreen State Fairgrounds. In addition to the riders and their families and the event promoters and race staff, there is an entire ecosystem of small- and medium-sized businesses in and around Snohomish County which provide a variety of goods and services needed to sustain the racing including but not limited to sales of the vehicles being raced, vehicle parts and accessories, motorsports training programs, apparel (both sales and manufacturing) and media. Concessions sales at the arena would also fall under this. I myself (dba C-Sharp Photography LLC) am a race photographer based in Snohomish County District 4 and have been shooting Arenacross and Indoor Flat Track at the Fairgrounds since 2017 (full-time since 2018). Because WHR Arenacross is the premier amateur dirt bike racing series in the Pacific Northwest during the winter months and one of the few racing series of any kind during that time of year, the Arenacross and Flat Track events at Evergreen State Fairgrounds account for up to 30% of my annual revenue. It also draws people not only from across the State of Washington, but Oregon, British Columbia and Idaho and even some from Montana and California, who not only bring themselves and their families but their spending power to Snohomish County.

When looking beyond dirt bikes and Arenacross, Flat Track racers do have an alternative indoor Flat Track race series (albeit a smaller one) during the winter at the Washington State Fairgrounds in Puyallup. However, the arena in Puyallup is significantly smaller than the one at Evergreen State Fair and simply can't accommodate many of the vehicle types which are represented in Monroe like karts, quarter-midgets and cage karts. This is in addition to the Puyallup arena being wholly unsuitable for arenacross/motocross activities. The Evergreen State Fairground is simply the only option for those race disciplines.

Thank you for taking the time to read this. If you have any questions or desire a more in-depth look into some of these issues, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Regards,

Rob Rinas

C-Sharp Photography LLC

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From: Blake Nelson <bnelsonsmotorsports@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, May 19, 2023 5:20 PM
To: Contact Council
Subject: Save barn racing, Monroe Wa.

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Hello, this is Blake Nelson with Nelson Motorsports in Snohomish, Wa. I am sending this email to ask for the council to help save the indoor racing out at the Evergreen Fairgrounds in Monroe, Wa. I am a long time motorsports enthusiast, I even raced flat track there when I was a little kid. There is such a community that has been built around the racing out in Monroe that if this gets taken away from us, there is going to be so many families and community members left very sorrow. With more and more riding land getting taken away, this is such a sanctuary for motorsports fans to come together and enjoy the love of the sport together.

Please do what you can to keep this racing available for the kids, families, adults, and community members that embrace this lifestyle. Thank you very much

Thank you
Blake Nelson
Nelson Motorsport
425-750-5993

From: Executive Director <director@choosemonroe.com>
Sent: Friday, May 19, 2023 8:15 PM
To: Contact Council
Subject: SUPPORT OF MOTORSPORTS

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Dear Snohomish County Council Members,

As the Chamber Executive Director I am writing to give you an idea of the importance of Snohomish County Motorsports during the winter series at the Evergreen State Fairgrounds. During November to January Monroe hits, its lowest point of visitors. The Motorsports community helps bring tourists and hotel stays in Monroe which is so important for our economy and the businesses locally. Many who attend come from all over Washington and other states to compete and bring in spectators that are family and or friends which is a lot of people spending their money in Monroe!

These families spend their weekend in Monroe discovering local restaurants and stores. This trickle of income to Monroe's business economy is imperative. We do not have other draws or events that happen during the Fall and Winter months so, losing an indoor area for families to gather and participate in a healthy active sport would be detrimental. This is the last indoor facility in Washington that accommodates this growing family friendly sport. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Janelle Drews
Executive Director
Monroe Chamber of Commerce
360.794.5488

From: Robert Rinas (C-Sharp Photo) <rob@c-sharpphoto.com>
Sent: Friday, May 19, 2023 8:28 PM
To: Contact Council; Mead, Jared
Subject: In Support of Motorsports Resolution (to be heard 24 May 2023)

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Regards,

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From: Brandon Stork <brandonstork62@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, May 19, 2023 8:33 PM
To: Contact Council
Subject: Flat Track

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Hey, My name is Brandon Stork and I am 19 years old and I would really hate to see the flat track division go away because that is some of my favorite memories as a kid growing up with my family. And racing and making new friends from all over Washington. It's just something I'll never forget and made me who I am today. And I would really love to keep this tradition going for years to come with my own family some day. I really hope you here our voices in this and truly see that this a family sport and environment.

Thank you Brandon Stork

From: morningbeans026 <morningbeans026@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, May 19, 2023 8:40 PM
To: Contact Council
Subject: SUPPORT MOTORSPORTS
Attachments: 20201112_150734.jpg; IMG_20180701_183108_713.jpg; 20180120_005054_1516438270253.jpg; 20210114_234922.jpg; Screenshot_20230519_203552_Facebook.jpg; Screenshot_20230519_203602_Facebook.jpg; Screenshot_20230519_203624_Facebook.jpg; Screenshot_20230519_203634_Facebook.jpg

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Dear Snohomish County Council,

I write in support of Motorsports in Snohomish County at the Evergreen State Fairgrounds.

I am an equestrian who does open ride nights as well as race indoor arenacross. I am so proud to have met all my friends during these events. Motorsports has brought me my lifelong friendships when I had none. It has built my confidence as well as seeing my family and friends cheer me on and support me.

During winter it is easy to become depressed and with Arenacross during the winter, it is something I TRULY look forward to. I cannot ride my horse in the winter so this outlet for physical activity and friendships helps get me through the winter blues and depression I face. After a race or practice my family of around (10 people) all go out to eat at a local restaurant to celebrate win or lose. We love supporting the Monroe community and would be devastated for it to close its doors forever.

If it closes, I would not be able to see much of my friends every weekend and there are no riding facilities like this in Washington. I would have to go to Redmond Oregon. The closest outdoor motorcycle facility is TWO hours away. This is the last Motorsports facility for so many different groups of people. The best part of arenacross is watching the littlest kids build their confidence and skill every week. The largest participants are ages 4-16 years old. It would be devastating for them to lose this outlet and the very last venue for indoor Motorsports. Please consider keeping Motorsports in Monroe at Evergreen State Fairgrounds.

I have attached photos of my family, friends I have made, the best day of my life finally winning a race and my family taking me out to dinner afterwards at El Paraiso. Also attached my horse that I do open ride nights with. It is such a special venue as I am able to do the two things I love that bring me purpose and joy in my life in Monroe at the Fairgrounds.

Thank you for your consideration!

Sent from my T-Mobile 5G Device









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From: [Christy](#)
To: [Contact Council](#)
Subject: Motorsport resolution
Date: Sunday, May 21, 2023 7:38:01 PM

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Dear Council Members-

I wanted to take a minute and let you all know how important Motorsports and racing Flat track at Evergreen Fairgrounds are to our family.

First, the racing community is a family. We are all there to cheer, support and help all riders. The kids wish each other luck, fist pump then congratulate each other before and after each race. Not many sports have the kind of sportsmanship we see on the track. These kids amaze me with the kindness and support they freely give to each other.

Second, we are all there for all of our kids to be successful. I'm not sure how many times we have helped another kid with our spare parts and them also helping us. Life long friends have been made while moms and dads scramble to fix a broken chain, flat tire, or an incident on the track.

Thirdly, our son is learning life skills that will help make him a successful full functioning adult. My son and husband have put hours into training and fine tuning our sons quad. The skill set my 10 year old has is amazing!

And finally, motorsports is a passion! My son LOVES his quad and the time he spends with his friends and family. Of course he wants to win but mostly he just wants to race with all his buddies!

Please support us moving forward and help us re-establish a healthy working relationship with the fair grounds.

Sincerely,

Christy, a passionate racetrack mama who wants to see all the kids get this amazing experience!

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Neil Cutshall, Ph.D.](#)
To: [Contact Council](#)
Subject: 23-019
Date: Monday, May 22, 2023 1:06:29 PM

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Hi,

My son and I are looking for local options for him to ride and train on his dirt bike. I am in favor of establishing the resource at the Monroe Fairgrounds as we are local and only live 15 minutes from it. Thank you.

Neil Cutshall
3817 165th Ave SE
Snohomish, WA 98290

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Chloe Hartmann](#)
To: [Contact Council](#)
Subject: Supporting motorsports resolution
Date: Monday, May 22, 2023 4:43:53 PM

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Hi there! My name is Chloe Hartmann & I would like to support the motor sports resolution here in Snohomish county. I have personally been riding quads (4-wheelers) since I can remember & riding dirt bikes since age 17 (I'm now 24) I was born into a family with a lot of friends, that love motorsports! As I have grown older, my love for riding has only grown stronger! This truly is a really important sport and has been the only sport I have ever participated in my whole life. Motor sports (at evergreen fairgrounds, flat track) mean a lot to me because you're family gets to be right there cheering you on & after every race, you get to go straight to your family because it is a sport Where you either win or lose there are no teams it's just some thing you rely on yourself for as far as the skill, practice & determination goes. You really get to cope with losing as well, considering there are several other people competing to win first place. I think they're excepting that losing is OK is important, therefore motorsports racing at Evergreen state fairgrounds exhibits that.

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From: Safe side <safesideconstruction@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, May 22, 2023 8:21 AM
To: Contact Council
Subject: Save moto sports

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To whom it may concern,

I am writing in hopes to give you a peak into a big part of our life before your team decides on the future of arenacross in Monroe wa.

We have grown up at the track. Raised at the track. My husband has raced there for 20+ years, our son has raced there since he was 4! We have created life long friends from the sport and all stand strong together still. Some of our children are not passionate about ball sports. This is like ripping a football field
Away from the school and telling them their program no longer exists. When we first were told there wouldn't be another season my son cried. Sure, we can travel 4+ hours and ride but there would be no track close to home any longer. Washington weather isn't the most favorable for our sport so indoor has been a game changer for us! 500plus people show up each weekend to participate, who support local businesses, shops, restaurants, convenient stores etc. I really hope you guys consider allowing this to be a forever sport for our community because for so many families like mine, this is all we do! From grandparents down to the 4 year old kids!



















-Ashley Brazwell

From: Ashley JJ Brazwell <brazwell521@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, May 22, 2023 8:23 AM
To: Contact Council
Subject: Arenacross

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Hi,

I'm Rhyder, I'm 10 years old. I have been racing at arenacross in Monroe since I was 4. I met my best friends at the track. My whole family comes to the track. My favorite time of year is November through January because I get to come to the track two times a month where my best memories are. Please don't take that away from me and all my friends.

-Rhyder Brazwell

From: Brandon Davidson <bdavidson19@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, May 22, 2023 10:19 AM
To: Contact Council
Subject: Save Snohomish County Motorsports

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To: Snohomish County Council

I am a parent of two young children who have fallen in love with the sport of motocross. I'll give a bit of background. My kids are now 5 and 8, during COVID while the world was shut down our family like many took to the outdoors in hopes of providing our kids some semblance of normalcy. We quickly came across the motocross community where other like minded families came together in support of one another. Our weekends were filled with seeing kids laughing and smiling, making friends and playing outdoors. Not inside on video games huddled around a television. During the winter months we joined the WHR arena cross venue at Evergreen fairgrounds for the same reason. The motocross community is typically derived of very successful individuals and families because of the expenses involved. Community members such as Doctors, corporate executives; business owners, entrepreneurs alike all either riding for their enjoyment or supporting their kids and in return stimulating the local economy. I am devastated to hear that the fairgrounds will not be allowing indoor motocross activity after next year, I am a 4th generation Snohomish County resident and quite concerned as to why this decision was made that impacts so many children and their families. It would be wonderful if there was an alternate solution. (Photos added for context)

V/R,
Brandon Davidson







Sent from my iPhone

From: TimandJillSteele@frontier.com
Sent: Monday, May 22, 2023 10:29 AM
To: Contact Council
Subject: Evergreen State Fairgrounds Motorsports

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Please support Evergreen State Fairgrounds Motorsports. This activity and venue has brought many hours of enjoyment to our family for years across multiple generations. Any efforts to curtail this longstanding community activity must necessarily include a widespread publication of a rationale compelling to a majority of the citizenry, and supported with evidence, rather than opinion, of any stated negative impacts. Moreover, any activities which might be entertained to supplant motorsports' longstanding use of the venue should be required to compete publicly against reasonable criteria.

Thank you.

From: Jessie Youngquist <rjyoungquist@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, May 22, 2023 1:47 PM
To: Contact Council
Subject: Support Motorsports at the Fairgrounds

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good Afternoon,

My family has lived in Snohomish County (Arlington, Snohomish, Marysville..etc) for as far back as we can all remember. We have always been active in Motorsports around Snohomish County from riding along the power lines to different family farms. As my family has grown older, we have got our kids and now grandkids involved in Motorsports. This has been a monthly family event for the past couple years. As Snohomish County has grown, there are not very many places for our family to go ride. Having a dedicated place at the Fairgrounds would give our growing family a stable place to ride safely.

It would be great to see a safe place not only for my family but for the current and future individuals to have a place to ride.

Thanks,
Jessie Youngquist
425-359-5300





From: Amanda Sullivan <abell.design.pdx@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, May 22, 2023 2:45 PM
To: Contact Council
Subject: Motorsports and what this means to us!

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Dear Snohomish County Council,

I am writing regarding my concern of the loss of Motorsports at the Monroe Fairgrounds. Thank you for taking the time to read my message.

My son is young and as a family who loves motorcycles of all kinds, street bikes and dirt bikes I wanted to share some of my perspective about how this can and will affect my family!

As a parent women I started riding dirtbikes late in my life, around 26.... I am 35 years old now and I didn't get an opportunity to ride when I was young. The foundation and skills of riding off road are vastly important to keeping our children safe... these kids will eventually be riding on Snohomish Country Roads at some point in their life when they have the ability ride off road they will be incredibly skilled individuals when they start paying tabs and taxes and riding on our public streets. If they can control a vehicle which is moving freely in the dirt, they will be prepared for events on the pavement, like debris in the road, gravel, reaction time, ect. The ability to ride an practice in a controlled environment is an enormous benefit to our young riders! They learn all the benefits from dirt biking and this will make them wonderful safe well rounded riders who will eventually be on our streets.

I know this from experience, if it wasn't for the skills I have learned dirt-bike riding, I may not be alive today. However I started riding very late in my life and I can only imagine how much better of a rider I would be if I had started when I was young. Because I have had the opportunity to ride arena -cross and motorcross at the Monroe fairgrounds, when I hit a patch of gravel on my street bike driving at night on Snohomish county roads , I was able to save the bike from crashing into pavement, thus preventing me from getting into an accident. I owe every bit of control in that situation to my experiences in dirtbike riding. So if want better riders and citizens sharing the road, needing less facilities and tax payer dollars used for fatalities and accidents, I can suggest that we should consider keeping this amenity as the skills learned at the Monroe fairgrounds are absolutely imperative to the safe riding and driving of so many who will eventually be on the dangerous roadway.

My son is 5 and will be headed into Motorsport here soon, and the news that we may loose this opportunity for our future generations is absolutely heartbreaking! Having a controlled area to practice is such an amazing benefit to new riders. We owe this safe place to our future generations of moto riders! Like I said before these riders are THE FUTURE of all motorcyclists on our physical road ways!

My son is currently riding an electric motor bike, and the Flat Track has offered him some of his very first experiences on the flat track, getting him used to crowds and noise and riding with other kids, For the very first time!!!! If we are the loose this, I am not quite sure where we will be able to go, and that dreams and hopes will be undoubtedly shattered.

For the safety of our future Motorsport generations please consider allowing WHR Motorsports to use the facility. Snohomish county is severely lacking safe riding places for small children..

Sincerely

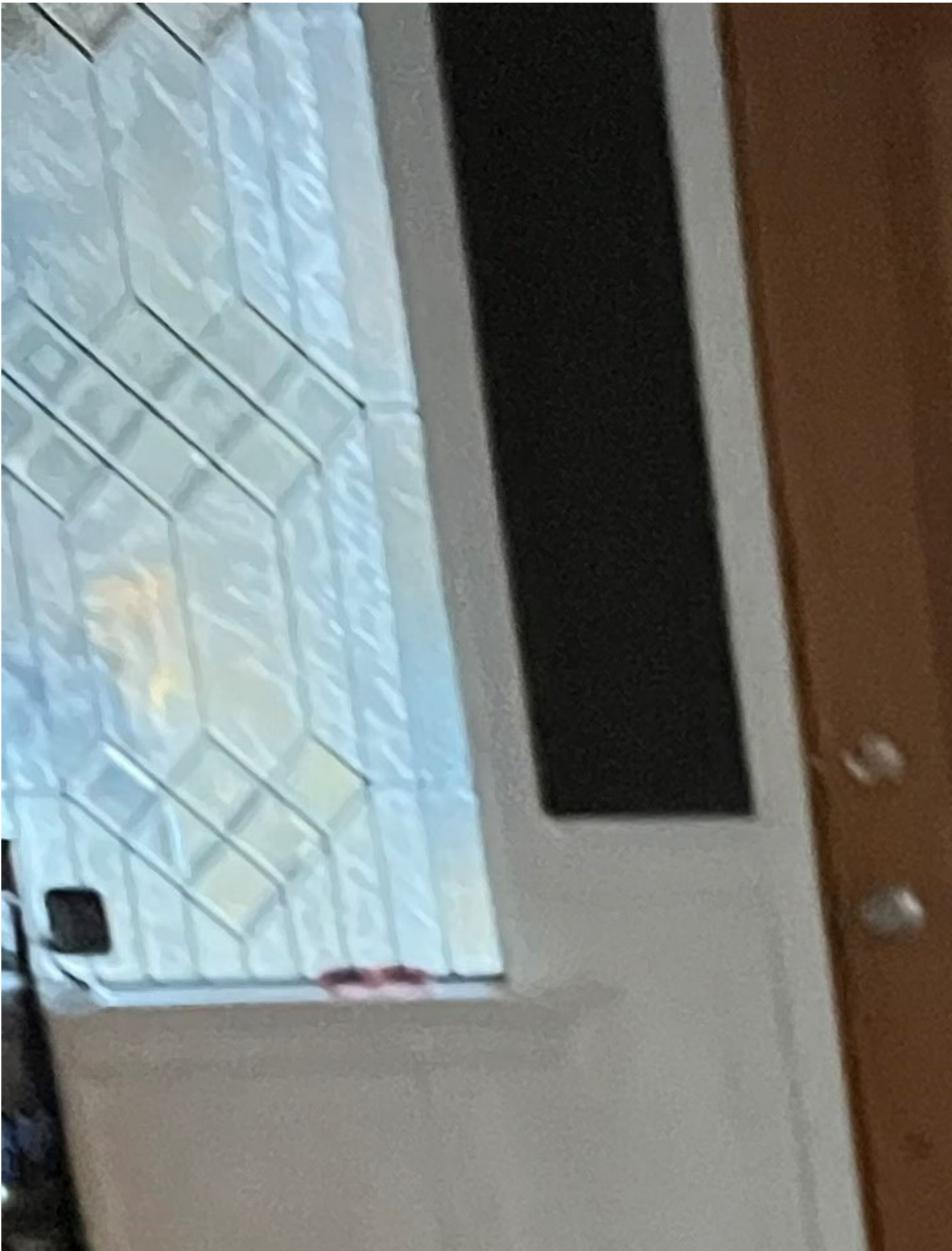
Amanda Sullivan
360-797-3955



Mom is riding on the fairgrounds.



Only a couple months old and coming with mom to the motorcross. I realized the outdoor motorcross is gone for some time now... we really can't afford to loose another place to ride, and we desperately need Our Indoor Racing at the fairgrounds.



My son, below looking forward to racing in the barn for the first time coming up this year, and hopefully not his last.

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Thefitmotochic

From: Chloe Hartmann <Onebusybean@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, May 22, 2023 4:44 PM
To: Contact Council
Subject: Supporting motorsports resolution
Attachments: Image.jpeg; Image.jpeg; Image.jpeg; Image.jpeg; Image.jpeg

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Hi there! My name is Chloe Hartmann & I would like to support the motor sports resolution here in Snohomish county. I have personally been riding quads (4-wheelers) since I can remember & riding dirt bikes since age 17 (I'm now 24) I was born into a family with a lot of friends, that love motorsports! As I have grown older, my love for riding has only grown stronger! This truly is a really important sport and has been the only sport I have ever participated in my whole life. Motor sports (at evergreen fairgrounds, flat track) mean a lot to me because you're family gets to be right there cheering you on & after every race, you get to go straight to your family because it is a sport Where you either win or lose there are no teams it's just some thing you rely on yourself for as far as the skill, practice & determination goes. You really get to cope with losing as well, considering there are several other people competing to win first place. I think they're excepting that losing is OK is important, therefore motorsports racing at Evergreen state fairgrounds exhibits that.

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From: Claire Parker <cjparker747@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, May 22, 2023 5:24 PM
To: Contact Council
Subject: Support from local Washington resident about Resolution No.23-019

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To whom it may concern,

I am writing to you today on behalf of myself, my fiancé, and our family to express our unwavering support of motorsports in Snohomish county. I only got into motocross myself a few years ago; one of my first memories is going to Monroe fairgrounds to watch arenacross. Since I got into riding off-road motorcycles myself, I have never felt so passionate about a sport and so included than I have felt in the Motorsports community. In a day and age where mental health, drugs and alcohol abuse is at one of the forefronts of issues we all face, getting involved in motorsports has been an absolute blessing. It's family based, discipline and passion driven, and a physically demanding sport that truly creates happiness, fosters confidence, fulfillment and instills a sense of belonging and pride to anyone that has raced or rode in snohomish county.

My fiancé, Carson Brown, has raced at Monroe and ridden at evergreen EWMX (back when it was around) for over a decade. Riding here all these years led to him building the skills and experience necessary to become an official Red Bull Athlete, Supercross Racer, and worldwide recognized Athlete. He is a role model for hundreds if not thousands of young riders in Washington. He encourages young kids and riders to get into riding, and inspires people to follow their dreams. That all started with racing in Monroe. His dad, a business owner in enumclaw, would race up there decades ago, and had amazing memories from there.

We have lived in Washington all our lives, we know the challenges Snohomish, and the state, are up against. But the positive impact motorsports has on a much bigger community than may initially meet the eye is not something to ignore. The business it brings to the city, surrounding areas, and state, the values it instills in kids, and the community it brings together are so so valuable. Please take my support for this resolution into your account when deciding on the future of Monroe fairgrounds.

Thanks for your time,

Claire

From: Sunny Konop <konop@greenriverweldinginc.com>
Sent: Monday, May 22, 2023 6:07 PM
To: Contact Council
Subject: I support motorsports

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Hello,

My name is Sunny Konop. We have two boys who live and breath dirt bikes. They absolutely love it, as do we as parents watching them preserve through the hard days and see them celebrate on the good days. Never giving up. A lot could be learned by society if they watched these kids on dirt bikes. They work hard, compete against each other, but walk off the track making life long friendships. To our family it would be devastating to not have arenacross to look forward to in our winter months. Please let this arenacross legacy continue in the barn. As a family we really are just getting starts and would be so sad to see it shut down. For reasons that truly make no sense. It's hard enough for kids to find extracurricular activities that keep them out of trouble, so why take this incredible family sport away? I would love a response, added is a picture of our boys 8 & 9 years old that have big goals ahead of them and shutting this down will hugely hinder their growth with in this sport.

Thank you,

Sunny Konop "Walker and Winnie's motomom"



From: Ashlee Bartholomew <ashleerenee88@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, May 22, 2023 6:15 PM
To: Contact Council
Subject: WHR

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To whom it may concern,

I am writing in regards to the potential end of WHR Motorsports contract with the Evergreen Fair Grounds. I want to bring to your attention what this contract shut down would mean to my kids and our family as a whole. Currently, I have three kids that race at these events during the weekends. Austin (14) Tanner (11) and Taylee (3) and their little brother Levi (2) will hopefully join this list when he is ready. For Austin this was his first job and he flags on the Saturdays when he is not racing. This has helped Austin to understand what a job is, he stands on his feet paying close attention to each rider as they are in his "zone" to ensure they are safe, he runs to aid when needed, especially with the little kids to ensure they are ok and helps them get back on the track. Austin could easily be hanging out with his friends but instead he has learned how to work hard and earn some money. He has really learned the value of a dollar and how to save his money so he can buy something he really wants. This is all because WHR has given him the opportunity to work. Austin also races every Sunday during the season. He has learned so much from racing go karts and seeing his confidence go up each and every week has been something every parent wants for their child. He has learned how to work on his motor and has also learned how to do deal with the hard ships of mechanical errors and if you have ever been to a go kart race they fail a lot. These lessons are those that no school can teach, he has grown in this sport as a young adult and its because of racing.

Tanner has been racing at WHR since he was 4 years old. For well over half his life he has spent nearly every weekend at the fair grounds racing. He started going to watch when he was just a few weeks old. Tanner has grown up watching and racing with some of his heroes and local track legends Most boys can only dream of racing dirt bikes and Tanner gets to live it. On any given Saturday you can find Tanner up by 7am ready to meet his coach and do some training. He generally attends both sessions, rides, and trains till about 11:30am. He will come back to camp and take a quick nap to get up and race starting at 3:30 and race till about 10pm. Then he will be back up to flat track race at about 8am. Racing had taught Tanner that with dedication and determination you can achieve your goals, this last season he took home 5 series trophies including 1 1st place and 2 2nd place trophies. Tanner has learned so many lessons on winning, losing, and sportsmanship doing motocross and flat track.

Taylee their youngest sister got to take home a 2nd place series trophy that's nearly as big as she is. The smile on her face when she got that is something you can never replace. She loves her "brap brap" and cheers her brothers on every single race.

As a family this sport means more time together. Nearly every weekend my kids are with me camping and racing at the track. They give up time with their friends to be at the track doing what they love and I, as a Mom get to be with them so much more. This is not a sport that they can go do on their own they need Mom and Dad to be there. My kids get to spend time with their great uncle, and their 2nd cousin as

they both race with WHR also. This sport not only brings families together but also allows us to create new memories. My kids have more “parents” than they know what to do with while at the track. Every parent watches out for my kids and I make sure to do the same. Anytime a kid goes down it doesn’t matter what their last name is every parent is running to their aid. We are all cheering on a win, and celebrating new accomplishments. I have met life long friends that are irreplaceable. My kids have also met some lifelong friends, these are friendships that I am sure will last forever. You can find these kids battling on the track and giving it their all to win, then after the race is over high fiving each other and saying good job to one another. Having 2 smaller kids I am not always able to help at the gate but I always know that my kids will be fine because they will have another parent there or even one of their friends to help them at the gate. The sportsmanship, comradery, competition and the family that happens at the race track and specifically at the WHR events need to stay for many generations to come. I hope that you will find a way to keep this contract going so our family can keep enjoying this time, so my kids can bring their kids one day.

Ashlee Bartholomew

From: Walter Mcdaniel <walter@aldernw.com>
Sent: Monday, May 22, 2023 9:06 PM
To: Contact Council
Subject: WHR Arenacross

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Please save arenacross motosports at Evergreen State Fair. I live and work in Snohomish County. We use the facility for riding motorcycles. It would be unfair to ban a sport at a public property for use by one group.

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Walter McDaniel
Alder Building & Renovation
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From: Beth Cooley <bsedenius@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, May 22, 2023 9:46 PM
To: Contact Council
Subject: Arena cross/motorsports

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Sam, Megan, Nate, Jared, and Strom,

My family and the motorsports community of Snohomish County need your help and support to permanently keep motorsports at the Evergreen Sports Arena (aka The Barn and/or Evergreen Equestrian Park). I am fearful that the Parks Department is going to cut out all motorsport events and usage at the Evergreen Sports Arena. This would be detrimental to our kids and to the motorsports community.

The Evergreen Sports Arena is very important to our kids and our family. Our kids have been racing there for the past 16 years. During the winter months, arena cross has been a super positive outlet for our kids and family. It has brought our family together. It helps our kids work towards healthy physical fitness and endurance. It helps our kids meet new friends. It helps keep our kids out of trouble and so far, it has helped keep our kids from using drugs. Motorsports is a huge part of our family and it would be devastating to lose the usage of the Evergreen Sports Arena for motorsports.

Please support the inclusive usage for all at the Evergreen Sports Arena. I appreciate your time.

Thank you,
Beth Cooley (Snohomish County resident)
425-923-4217

From: [R. DeBardi](#)
To: [Contact Council](#)
Subject: Please support Evergreen Sport Arena - Racing| Resolution 23-019
Date: Tuesday, May 23, 2023 3:34:23 PM

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Good afternoon, Council.

I writing today to tell you why you should support and sign the Motorsports Resolution, 23-019.

There are so many positive aspects of motorsports that are often are overlooked. First, motorsports are very healthy activities for kids. The skill of riding a motorcycle or quad enhances cognitive and physical abilities, while being outdoors. They learn balance and weight control, and motorsports are good exercise which wears them out. Even in the winter they want to go ride! They aren't playing video games or hanging on to cell phones because they are hanging on to handlebars!

Motorsports help build confidence and individualism which these kids need in this post covid world. They can decorate their bikes, or wear safety gear that reflects their choices and personalities. They can be the kid that waves to the crowd, or the one who is focused on the next turn or hill.

Motorsports incorporates many elements of STEM. This is because most who own motorcycles or quads will do the minor repairs and maintenance themselves. Things like fluid changes, tightening nuts and bolts or tire changes. They learn to keep the machines clean and the basics of tool use. Tools like screwdrivers, wrenches, voltmeters, aircompressors are all needed to take care of their motorcycle or atv. Sometimes they even have to troubleshoot why something is not working correctly, which is often done through trial and error and the process of elimination. Again balance is learned and how to shift their weight for different outcomes in their riding. These

Motorsports is a family and community activity. Everyone supports everyone. Cheers are for all kids riding even if they aren't racing. Some kids will go to the track just to practice riding around, or if they are like my son, they go to do a parade wave to the crowd. The important thing is he got out there and was confident in what he was doing. Their also is nothing more enduring than seeing them get their trophies. The smiles are unforgettable, and I bet if you ask any parent for a photo of their kids with trophies, they will have at least a dozen on their phone to show you!

Lastly, Motorsports also teaches them about safety. Looking for other riders or pedestrians. Learning how to tell if the bike is hot and not just grab it. Being aware of their surroundings at all times. Safety gear must be worn at all times! Being safe is our number one priority as parents!

I hope I was able to bring awareness to you of all the positive aspects of motorsports in our kids lives. We need to support them in both racing and riding now and in the future.

Please approve this Resolution and make some very happy kids.

Roxanne DeBardi
Unincorporated Snohomish County- District 1

From: Jason DBST <jsherman@ridedbst.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2023 3:30 AM
To: Contact Council
Subject: Support for WHR motorsports at the Evergreen Fair Arena.
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Dear Snohomish County Executives,

I have lived around the Snohomish County Community for many years. I left for a short time to serve my country in the US Navy, training with the Special Focus units. I have seen many decisions that the county has made that I have not agreed with, but have respected your leadership. Through my time that I have lived in Snohomish county, I have seen families and businesses come and go as this community has grown throughout the years. I ran the support team for the MXGP Motocross track that was in Monroe Washington for a time and I was involved for over 10 years with the development of the current ordinances in the county that was changed to improve the right for off-road riders, racers and businesses to ride within Snohomish County. I am intimately knowledgeable with the Laws and Ordinances of Snohomish County now. As an off-road motorcycle enthusiast, I am in support of Snohomish County Executives protecting my rights, the rights for WHR Motorsports and other riders who are motorcycle enthusiast as well. I would like to remind the Snohomish County Executives that in the current laws and ordinances, it is my understanding that when a business has been approved to operate within Snohomish County and it has been suggested that the business be moved, Snohomish county is required to assist in finding an equal replacement to which the business was operating in order to consider the business moving. WHR Motorsports has been approved and operating at the Evergreen fairground Arena since I was a kid. This is NO equal replacement for the Evergreen fair grounds Indoor Arena in Snohomish county and there for, it is my understand that the county can not consider moving WHR Motorsports from the Evergreen Fairground arena that is managed by Snohomish County.

I have known Lee Collins with WHR Motorsports since I was 10 years old. So for about 38 years now. His team has provided a place for riders, spectators, racers, riding students and above all friends and families a place to build positive memories as well as a learning environment . These memories help mold our youth into the young men and women they will become. When I was grown up, I was a 4 sport a year athlete all the way throughout high school. I played Football, Basketball, ran track and raced motocross. I can tell you from experience that riders and racers develop more life skills than any other sport. They develop confidence, control, teamwork, how to be outgoing, how to meet new friends, discipline, how to manage balance, how manager their health with exercise, how to be role models and above all, RESPECT. I turn away from other sports because of the negative role models that fuel their sport with trash talk and disrespect. Our motorsports family is not fueled by trash talk or put down that have been develop throughout other sports over the years. You see, In our world today, these skills that are learn throughout our riding community are very difficult to develop in other areas. With all the negative influences in the world today, we need more places like what Lee Collins and his team have developed, not shut them down or move them out. If you make the decision to close out WHR Motorsports from operating for many years to come, you will be depriving our motorsport youth from developing these skills in a manner that protects their constitutional rights and freedom of choice.

How do I know this you ask? I am self-employed business owner right here in Snohomish county. I am a professional rider, riding coach and owner of www.DirtBikeSafetyTraining.com, www.DirtFirstWashington.com, and www.ADVridersafetytraining.com. I have been a riding instructor for about 18 years now. I provide the riders and racers with safety training that keeps the riders of WHR Motorsports in Monroe as safe as possible. Not only do the racers come take training, but students from all over the Pacific Northwest come to take training from our training team that is offered out at the Monroe Arena during the winter months. My training team trains over 1,200 riders a year

which is why we have been asked to partner with TouratechUSA to provide our nations with our top of the line training program and we have been given a world class training recognition. Robert Strode is the developer of our curriculum. He is being nominated by the Washington State Motorcycle "Hall-Of-Fame" for his curriculum success of training many Pacific Northwest riders and racers that have done well all over the world. When it comes to our students development, we take great care to insuring our riders are educated, not just for the ride, but for their life as well. This skill will help define who they become.

If you decide to take the Evergreen Fairground Arena away, you are also taking away a training opportunity for rider education to be conducted to help save a riders life, on the road and off-road.

With that all being said, I respectfully request you to please vote keeping the Evergreen Arena available for motorsport opportunities for many years to come.

Thank you for your time,

With Gratitude,

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From: Shannon McCarthy <shannonwithmch@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2023 6:42 AM
To: Contact Council
Subject: Re: Motocross and what it means to my son
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I wanted to include some pictures with our previous email.

Can you confirm that these have been recieved.

Thank you.

On Fri, May 19, 2023, 1:22 PM Shannon McCarthy <shannonwithmch@gmail.com> wrote:
Hello Snohomish City Council members!

I want to take a minute and tell you about my son. He has always loved to ride. We got him a power wheels quad when he was 1. By 2, he would stand on the seat, drive it over things and just loved it to pieces. He graduated to a bigger quad at 4 and would do wheelies and drift it around corners. I can't explain how easy this all came to him.

In kindergarten it was discovered that he had a vision issue that affected his learning. He really struggled academically. It affected his mental health. He would tell me he is stupid. That he isn't like other kids. He was really down on himself. We were going to specialists 3 days a week after school. Our whole life felt like school and specialists. It all felt so draining but we tried our best to help him catch up.

It was at this time that we bought him his first dirtbike. He raced for the first time at 7. He wasn't good at first and it took time to learn the sport but eventually he became one of the best at his age. Racing is his life. He feels like a superstar on that bike. It has helped him feel better about himself in ways I will never be able to truly explain. It has helped him grow and mature. He has to dig deep when things are tough, get back up after a fall, learn to listen to instructors, and to be a gracious loser when he doesn't win. There are so many things that come out of this sport that are AMAZING. It gave him a renewed energy that he could put into his learning. I am proud to say he is 11 now and is at grade level for his academics. It was a long road. I honestly believe without racing he would never have had the self confidence he has now.

Unfortunately, we are slowly losing all of our facilities. We only have a handful of places to ride on our side of the state and your current facility is the only one in all of western Washington that we can count on with our crazy PNW weather.

These kids and adults who ride deserve to be recognized just like any other sport. My son now races on a national level and our kids here in Washington are already at a disadvantage due to the weather and lack of facilities. For example a kid in California gets to ride 10 times to my kids 1 time. We often have to travel far to ride and everytime we lose a facility here that gets worse.

I strongly urge you to find a more permanent solution to keep these riders on their bikes as much as possible.

I hope you can see that it really means the world to many of them ❤️

Thank you for your time.





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From: Chelsie Schultz <chelsieschultz1112@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2023 9:00 AM
To: Contact Council
Subject: Save arenacross at Evergreen Fairgrounds
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Good morning, I am writing to you today to express my feelings about arenacross and motorsports here in the PNW and specifically Snohomish County. I grew up racing and raced from the ages of 4-18. I have raced the WHR arenacross series many years at the Evergreen Fairgrounds along with my dad and cousin. My fiance also grew up racing at Evergreen Fairgrounds as well and now our 3 kids practice and race there during the winter. Living in the PNW we are very limited with track options. We do not have any local track in Snohomish County and usually have to drive 3+ hours to a track for practice and races. In the winter months we are even more limited on tracks to ride as we get too much rain so tracks shut down and we have to travel east to ride but even the track over in Richland closes as well. Shutting down arenacross at the fairgrounds will take away our only riding option in the winter months. Generations have raced there and we would be so sad and devastated to have that taken away from our kids. We hope you consider keeping the racing alive and well in Snohomish County and at the Evergreen Fairgrounds.









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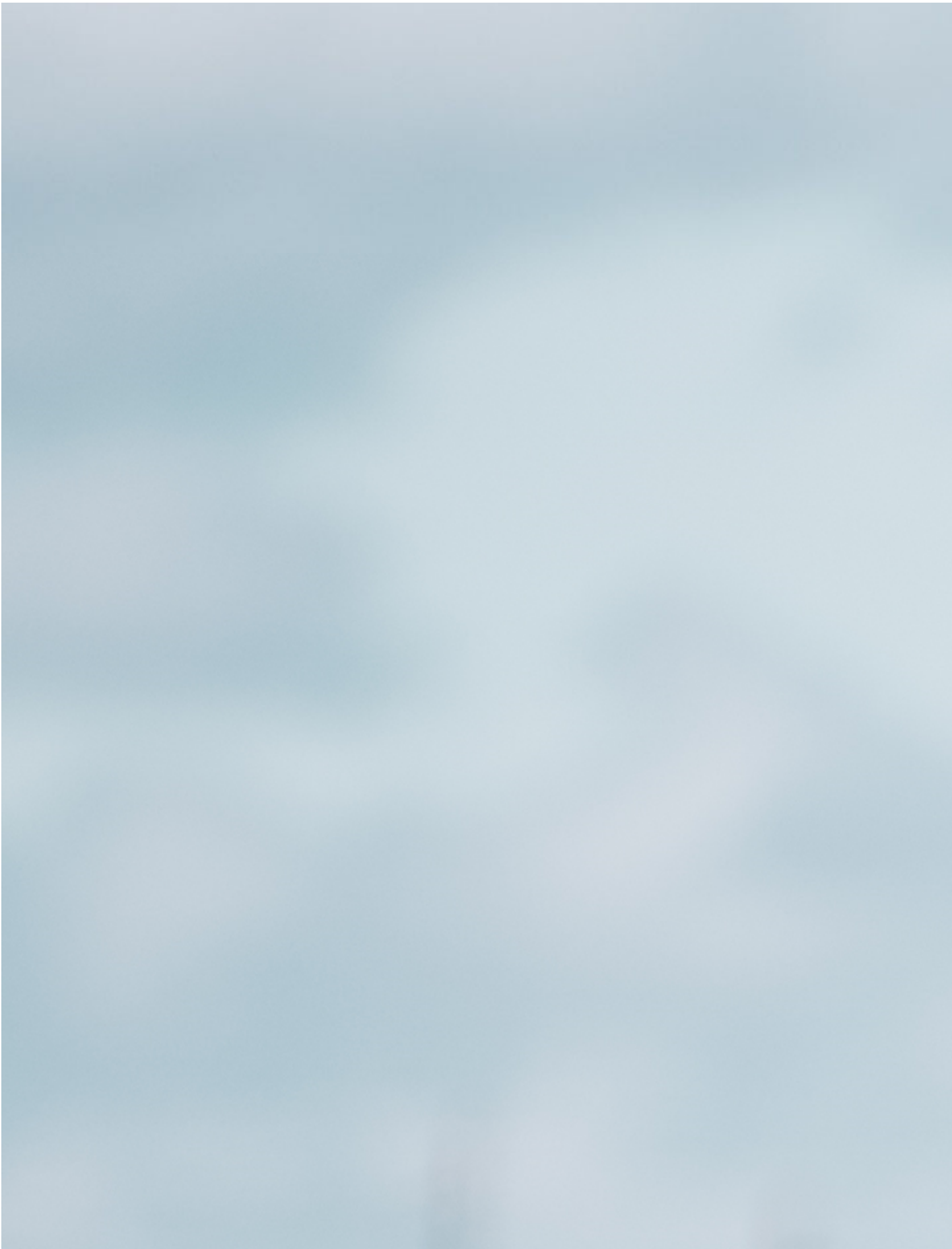
From: Tasha Botten <tashacb12@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2023 9:06 AM
To: Contact Council
Subject: Saving Arenacross!

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To whom it may concern,

I am writing on behalf of Monroe Arenacross. I have been going to the facility since as far back as I can remember. I grew up watching my dad, my friends, and now 2 of my boy's. Motocross and dirtbikes are my kids lives!! They eat, sleep, breath dirtbikes! My boys are only 9 and 6 and they have already won some Championships with my older boy taking 4 First place Championships in Monroe last year! This sport is so frowned upon, and I just don't get it. Arenacross is only 6 weekends a year!! Why can't we just have fun for 6 Saturdays out of the year?? We aren't hurting anyone, and the biggest outcome is from the little tiny 50 riders. They are following in their dads/family footsteps. We race all year long because of WHR in the winter. It's the ONLY place that has the winter series. The building is tax payer money, so really you can't say what goes on here. We all know that. You try to take this away, you are going to crush soooo many little ones dreams and hearts!! Not to mention the money that comes in from racing in Monroe. The hotels get filled, restaurants get filled, door dash gets filled, so many companies benefit from these weekends. Not too mention the consession stand that is ALWAYS bringing in tons of money. I just don't get the reason to take it away. It makes no sense at all, and all it's going to do is crush the hearts of little ones. Please re consider motocross in Monroe!!

Thanks,
Tasha Gilbert





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From: keith doyle <ridefree72@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2023 9:07 AM
To: Contact Council
Subject: Flat track racing at Monroe fairgrounds

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To whom it may concern,

I am writing this in support of continuing the flat track racing at the fairgrounds. There are many children and families that race on the weekends . This teaches our children many lessons they need to be well adjusted men and women in their adult lives . Like hard work and perseverance will be rewarded by being successful and winning . The next closest facility is quite a distance away . This extra time and travel could be the deciding factor of these children being able to continue racing . Please allow the tradition of racing at that facility to continue. Thank you , Keith Doyle

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From: Al and Kitty Perkins <alignmktg@msn.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2023 12:15 PM
To: Contact Council
Subject: Fw: Motorsports at Monroe arena

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From: Al and Kitty Perkins <AlignMktg@msn.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2023 12:09 PM
To: contact.council@sno-co.org <contact.council@sno-co.org>
Subject: Motorsports at Monroe arena

Council of Snohomish Country,

I'm a grandparent of a Moto family. I have two young grandchildren who have been racing since 3-4 years old. I personally knew nothing about this sport until becoming involved with them. We follow them to races and have come to know the amazing parents and families that call this "they're" sport. It takes a ton of get up and go, perseverance, practice and financial impute to compete. These kids/adults learn so many valuable lessons competing in Motocross, ie: determination, setting goals, hard work, respect for fellow riders. This community is family, they help each other out, even though they may be racing each other.

I am so proud of my son's family, and so proud to be called a Moto Nana. Please support the continuation of Arena Cross at the Monroe arena.

Kitty Perkins
425-501-9935



From: Vanessa & Pat McCormick <vplogcabin@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2023 12:55 PM
To: Contact Council
Subject: Monroe County Fair Grounds for Motor-cross

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County Council Members

I am writing this email concerning removing motor cross from all future events at the fairgrounds, because for WHAT REASON !!! I viewed the County Fairgrounds events; i.e, car racing, dog shows, horse events, gun show, goat show, swap meet, and the county fair etc., these are activities for everyone who lives and pays taxes to Snohomish County.

It is evident that kids who participate in a sport do better in school, learn how to work and participate with others, persistence, courage, if you fall you get back up, and if you work hard you can succeed in anything. It also brings family, friends and the community together to support these amazing kids.

I have two young grandchildren, who love motor-cross. My granddaughter who is seven was invited to Supercross in Anaheim, California in January 2023. She had to submit a video of why she wanted to be accepted to race. The super-cross committee loved it and both grandparents, including ten friends of the family, took time off from work and paid their own travel, food and lodging to see my granddaughter race. Motor-cross also brings in a massive amount of revenue to the county and the state.

Again, I have to question why, except for maybe someone's personal bias, not to place motor-cross on the 2024 schedule.

So, I am asking the County Counsel to examine the motor-cross events and that they can continue to be part of the Snohomish Community with all the other events at the Monroe Fairgrounds.

Sincerely,

Vanessa McCormick

From: Al and Kitty Perkins <alignmktg@msn.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2023 1:06 PM
To: Contact Council
Subject: Fw: Continuation of Motocross in Monroe

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Snohomish County Council.....what are we thinking!

We should be promoting the sport of Motocross racing as it is one of the fastest growing sports, filling arenas around the world.

It brings nothing but money and good people to Snohomish County.

If we are not making money on this, we should be. Certainly, the businesses who pay taxes are.

This is an entertainment venue and Motocross is noisy as are stock cars, go carts, aircraft and even the state fair. Fortunately, all of the Motocross events are indoors in winter when most folks are too.

We need to be progressive and not regressive.

Al Perkins
425-239-3250



From: Morgan Kerner <morgan@gokcon.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2023 1:16 PM
To: Contact Council
Subject: Arenacross/Flat Track
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To whom it may concern,

For longer than I have been alive, the arena at the Evergreen State Fairgrounds has provided a facility for motorsports. My first race when I was 13 was at the flat track venue in this very same arena. My close friends raced arena cross and flat track. Their parents raced the same events. Families would camp in their motorhomes in the parking lot. I grew up with little money so racing was not in my family's budget, but I attended countless arena cross and flat track events. This past year my 9 year old and 6 year old daughters started racing arena cross. We were able to camp in our 5th wheel in the parking lot, just like I had dreamed of doing since I was young. We've met other family's, which we now spend lots of time with even outside of motorsports. These events didn't just provide an indoor motorsport opportunity for enthusiasts in the winter, but brought so many family's together in the community. When my daughters herd they were closing down for good, they were crushed, just like the hundreds of kids from Oregon to Canada. My daughters accomplished things inside that arena they didn't even know they were capable of, and to see that as a parent, the breakthroughs of these children, is beyond explanation.

You see, this is not just about riding motorcycles, its about community, family, goals, accomplishments, accountability, its so much more. I hope you take serious consideration when making the decision to take this away from or keep this for the people of Snohomish County and surrounding areas.

Thank you for your time,

Morgan Kerner
President
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Ph. 425-326-9930









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From: craig gilbert <craigsno13@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2023 2:47 PM
To: Contact Council
Subject: Monroe Arenacross and Flat Track

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.Good Afternoon,

I want to inform you the importance of both Arenacross and Flat Track for both of my boys. My son Ryder started racing flat track on a quad when he was 5 years old. He has since quit flat track and races arenacross on a dirtbike now. My son Jace started racing flat track on a dirtbike when he was 4 years old and like Ryder has quit racing flat track and now races Arenacross. I can tell you that my boys absolutely love racing Arenacross! There is very very little options of places to ride dirtbikes in Snohomish county in the winter months! Every weekend that there is a race they look forward to it all week long! The moto community is a great family! The amount of joy that my kids not only from racing but also hanging out with all the other kids at the track is hard to find anywhere else. Please please do not take this away from all the families and especially the kids that cherish those times! Thanks

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From: Dave Horton <dave_horton11@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2023 2:52 PM
To: Contact Council
Subject: ArenaCross in Monroe

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Council,

The fact that this got to this point is alarming. This has been a staple venue in the area! For most of the youth this is the highlight of their lives. The effort by riders and parents to race competitively is a lot. The lessons that come from racing help prep the youth for the future. If people don't like it, dont go!

thanks

Dave Horton

From: Josh Cairns <joshcairns4life@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2023 3:01 PM
To: Contact Council
Subject: Arena Cross and Flat Track venues for future use

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Snohomish City Council,

I'm writing in support of keeping the Arena cross and flat track venues in Monroe available for future Motorsport events. These provide much needed locations for our youth (and adults) to enjoy a hobby outside the traditional organized school sports where they may not have interest or abilities that suite team sporting events.

Motorsports have been a long tradition in Snohomish county and eliminating options where riders can gain experience and practice may lead to other unwanted behaviors without those options as an outlet.

Please vote in favor of keeping these options available with my full support. My contact info is below if needed.

Josh Cairns
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Homeowner at:
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Snohomish, WA 98296

From: Kevin Hynes <kkhynes@msn.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2023 3:12 PM
To: Contact Council
Cc: Kevin Hynes
Subject: Save Racing at Evergreen State Fairgrounds: Meeting on Wed May 24th, 9am

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Hello Council Members,

I am writing this letter as a response to the possibility that WHR Motorsports and the only indoor motorcycle racing venue in the state of Washington will no longer be allowing racing to continue after 2024. This is devastating news not just for the 10's of thousands of racers and family members that participate in these events, but also for those that come to watch their friends/children/grand-children/siblings/parents , all of which have a tremendous impact on the local community in several ways.

As a small business owner, I have a business that earns income off of these races, which in turn, is reinvested into the local community on each race weekend in the form of a hotel stays, food, shopping and fuel. I can only imagine how much revenue is generated by well over a thousand people coming into Monroe each weekend, especially since some require multiple hotel rooms for larger families, which also exponentially increases the expenditure on food, fuel, clothing and supplies, not to mention anything that they may possibly need for their transport vehicles/trailers/trucks such as tires, automotive parts, etc...

Just taking a step back to look at the larger picture, these races and weekends are a positive outlet for families, especially the thousands of young men and women that participate from ages 3 to 20 and for many adults as well from ages 20-80+. This not only keeps them out of trouble, but also keeps them occupied and away from things that may require law enforcement to intervene (i.e. fights, petty thefts, drugs, alcohol, vandalism, etc) which means that the money spent for LE can stay where it's the most productive. It is also a positive role model for so many because having the ability to learn to cope with loss, competition and victory with good sportsmanship, grace and respect teaches our youth how to be much better students, employees and adults as they merge into society, something we very much need more of these days.

There are no other venues in the state of WA that allow indoor motorcycle racing and there is only one other within the Inland NW down in Salem OR. This is one of the reasons that the series gets such a widespread demographic of riders from WA, OR, CA, ID, NV, AZ, MT,

AK and Canada, in addition to WHR running an outstanding program and doing everything they can to give back to the riders, community and the families.

Please do not take this fantastic sport away from so many that have been able to participate in this series for over 30 years now and have brought multiple generations into the sport as their families continue to grow. This series has been a staple of Inland NW Motorsports for decades and it would be a shame to see it end for reasons that have not been disclosed publicly. Thank you in advance for taking the time to read this and I'm sure, many others as our voices are joined as one in support of hopefully keeping WHR Motorsports' Arenacross and Flat Track series' dedicated to a mutually beneficial relationship with Snohomish County and Evergreen State Fairgrounds for decades to come.

Sincerely,

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From: micah synsteby <micahthep plumber@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2023 3:29 PM
To: Contact Council
Subject: Monroe arena cross/ flat track

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Dear county council,

My 10 year old son races flat track at Monroe, we have ran 4 seasons. Together we have tinkered on his quad making it faster and building memories. He cleans my work van and gets to keep the small pieces scrap copper (I am a plumber) to fund the go fast parts. This sport has taught him hard work, communication, consequences, and team work. I do not race, this is purely a venue my son uses. I ask that the county council looks at the importance that this sport is to the community, and ask for your support keeping barn racing alive.

Thank you,
Micah Synsteby







From: R. DeBardi <ennaxor72@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2023 3:34 PM
To: Contact Council
Subject: Please support Evergreen Sport Arena - Racing| Resolution 23-019

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Good afternoon, Council.

I writing today to tell you why you should support and sign the Motorsports Resolution, 23-019.

There are so many positive aspects of motorsports that are often are overlooked. First, motorsports are very healthy activities for kids. The skill of riding a motorcycle or quad enhances cognitive and physical abilities, while being outdoors. They learn balance and weight control, and motorsports are good exercise which wears them out. Even in the winter they want to go ride! They aren't playing video games or hanging on to cell phones because they are hanging on to handlebars!

Motorsports help build confidence and individualism which these kids need in this post covid world. They can decorate their bikes, or wear safety gear that reflects their choices and personalities. They can be the kid that waves to the crowd, or the one who is focused on the next turn or hill.

Motorsports incorporates many elements of STEM. This is because most who own motorcycles or quads will do the minor repairs and maintenance themselves. Things like fluid changes, tightening nuts and bolts or tire changes. They learn to keep the machines clean and the basics of tool use. Tools like screwdrivers, wrenches, voltmeters, aircompressors are all needed to take care of their motorcycle or atv. Sometimes they even have to troubleshoot why something is not working correctly, which is often done through trial and error and the process of elimination. Again balance is learned and how to shift their weight for different outcomes in their riding. These

Motorsports is a family and community activity. Everyone supports everyone. Cheers are for all kids riding even if they aren't racing. Some kids will go to the track just to practice riding around, or if they are like my son, they go to do a parade wave to the crowd. The important thing is he got out there and was confident in what he was doing. Their also is nothing more enduring than seeing them get their trophies. The smiles are unforgettable, and I bet if you ask any parent for a photo of their kids with trophies, they will have at least a dozen on their phone to show you!

Lastly, Motorsports also teaches them about safety. Looking for other riders or pedestrians. Learning how to tell if the bike is hot and not just grab it. Being aware of their surroundings at all times. Safety gear must be worn at all times! Being safe is our number one priority as parents!

I hope I was able to bring awareness to you of all the positive aspects of motorsports in our kids lives. We need to support them in both racing and riding now and in the future.

Please approve this Resolution and make some very happy kids.

Roxanne DeBardi
Unincorporated Snohomish County- District 1

From: jeff440z@frontier.com
Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2023 3:50 PM
To: Contact Council
Subject: Motorcycle Racing in Monroe

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Hello,

I had to write and stress my support for motorcycle racing in Snohomish county.

I grew up racing and riding Motocross, Flat Track, Sport Bike and Snowmobiles. I raised 3 sons that are riders, their children, my grandchildren all ride multiple venues, motorcycles and snowmobiles.

Having raised 3 sons, one a Decorated Physicians Assistant Major in the US Army, one a executive with Amazon Web Services and the 3rd, a successful Construction Superintendent in the Seattle Commercial Market....by myself...as a single Dad....since they were in early elementary. I have always said one thing about raising children: "As a Parent you either pay for fun, activities, toys and equipment or you pay for attorneys, drug rehab and bail. Chose carefully how you are going to spend time and money.

The venue for these activities is crucial!

Thank You for hearing me.

Respectfully,

Jeff Jones
Unincorporated North Bothell

From: Jesiah Metzker <metzkercom@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2023 3:49 PM
To: Contact Council
Subject: Snohomish County Dirt Biking

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To whom it may concern,

I support the riding dirt bikes in Snohomish County, which I was born and raised in for 46 yrs. Getting rid of the Arena Cross in support of more equestrian is a shame. I'm not sure why it can't be multi use, like it has for decades. Areas like the Pilchuck Tree Farm have seem to make it work for Mulit Use between the Mt bikers and the horses. Even the thought of this going away makes me very concerned with the direction our government is heading.

From: Mckenzie Halgren <mckenzie@gokcon.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2023 4:24 PM
To: Contact Council
Subject: Arenacross in Monroe
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Monroe City Council:

For years, the Evergreen State Fairgrounds has housed numerous events from motorcross, horse shows/rodeos, fairs, racing, craft shows, swap meets and much more. This has been a staple for our community for decades for our kids and families that have grown up in this area. Growing up a kid being fortunate enough to ride since I was 5 years old and seeing all of the places that I rode as a child get shut down is devastating. The moto community is such a strong one, families support families race after race. Need a part? Someone has one. Looking for a bike? Someone knows a person selling one. The roots with this community run so DEEP that no other sport like community could compare. It was heartbreaking enough when the outdoor moto track was shut down, loosing that place to ride crushed the community. I remember as a kid being at our property in Cle Elum and we'd ride out of our driveway up on to the ridge for hours and hours. Now that same property, because of state regulations and Suncadia has been shut down. People with more money who want to take all of the fun away from people who enjoy sports – it's heartbreaking.

Our two girls just started racing this last winter with WHR and had the time of their lives. Within 10 months last year they both were able to get off training wheels and onto bigger bikes. Each weekend they were ecstatic to go race in Monroe, and they knew that's where they'd be. Their mom and stepdad got to come and watch, including their two new brothers who also enjoy riding. They made new friends and got to hangout with friends and families they knew. A few of our employees' race and the girls loved to watch them too. The nights that we all got to camp out with friends, co-workers and families are memories that our girls will treasure forever. To watch these girls, line up behind that gate every week was something that words could not describe. These two girls who are 7 and 9 years old are resilient little kids who love doing what their dad does riding and racing dirt bikes. To see how competitive, they become out on a track is beyond words. They cheer on their friends, even if they have a bad day on the track, they keep at it, despite how many times they went down. It's only made these girls stronger individuals.

Please do not take, what is one of our communities last places to ride throughout the winter away from these kids who live, eat and breathe moto. You never know where some of these kids would end up if they didn't have a sport, they could put their all into.

Thanks,
McKenzie Halgren
Office Manager
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Our office will be closed on Monday May 29th in honor of the Memorial Day Holiday.

From: Kyle Galbraith <kylegalbraith@hotmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2023 4:34 PM
To: Contact Council
Subject: Support for Arenacross

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One of the biggest heartbreaks in my life has been telling my 11 year old son that arena cross was no more. I never even road dirt bikes, but my son wanted to do it so we invested a lot of money and a lot of time to be involved in the sport. All of his friends, all the camaraderie, all the personal achievement comes from riding dirt bikes and arena cross. All of his trophies sit proudly in his room, and now, the county where I grew up my entire life has taken that away from our family.

We work hard in life like all of these families do to give our children this. Whoever was responsible for this decision obviously never rode a dirtbike but now they're gonna tell us what to do and how to live because they think indoor air pollution is their concern for us but we don't need their concern, We don't want their concern, just like banning gas ranges or banning forced air in our homes. What is next?

From: Tony Tonsgard <tony.m.tonsgard@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2023 4:36 PM
To: Contact Council
Subject: Save our motor sports

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To whom it may concern,

I am writing you today in hopes to save the motorcycle races at the evergreen fairgrounds. My family has been racing in that barn since the beginning of the indoor racing. My dad and uncles raced there in the late 60's into the 90's, and my dad has been doing the track set up and teardown since the 90's to present day. My brothers and I raced there as kids into adulthood and now our children race there. We have made so many lasting friendships by being involved in this sport and for my family it all started in that barn over 50yrs ago. There is nothing like it anywhere near here. To race in the winter indoors you need to travel over an hour to get to any track. Those tracks only do flat track. By shutting down these races you are taking so much away from the local youth. There are more kids racing then adults. My son gets bullied at school but at the races all the kids are always looking out for each other. If one has a rough day the others come to check on them. Always fist bumping on the staging line telling each other good luck. I just don't have the words to explain how much this means to myself,my family and our racing family. Attached are a few photos of my family and myself racing.









Thank you for your time.

Best wishes

Tony m Tonsgard

From: Jenny Schrader <jennyschrader@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2023 5:09 PM
To: Contact Council
Subject: Motorsports @ Evergreen Fairgrounds

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Dear Council Members,

I am writing this letter, on behalf of myself and my family to let you know how important and beneficial motorsports in Snohomish County are to all of us. One of my sons races his dirtbike and sometimes our youngest daughter does, too. Currently there is only once place to race in the county we live in that and that's at the Evergreen State Fairgrounds for Arenacross. We also have two adult children that reside in this county. This activity enables us to continue the sport in the Washington weather in a more controlled environment and yet still able to participate in an outdoor type setting. Arenacross at the fairgrounds is something that has brought us all together for a number of reasons.

First it is the closest in proximity to all of us. With other children in activities in our community and adult children who have their own families, this location makes it possible for all of us to gather together. Other race tracks are too far for family members to get to and so they can't make it.

Second, because of its location it makes it feasible for everyone to attend to support our son/brother/cousin/friend(s). We are all able gather together and often make a day of it for practices and races which build on our memories that include the Monroe area. With fond memories of motocross we also want to build on that with going to the fair and other events in the vicinity...it's a place that represents family and fun times.

So this brings me to the third reason this is not just important to my family but beneficial for the Fairgrounds and Monroe, expenditures. We save money to spend on and at the races and also because the location is familiar we know and plan to spend money on what we need there at the stores nearby and for food (restaurants, fast food, grocery stores, etc.)

Fourth reason is friendships. Friendships have developed as a result of motocross and made at the track. Also, because of its close proximity, we can and do invite friends to attend and also be involved. This brings more revenue in and builds on our enjoyment and memories made at the Fairgrounds. This sport/activity is something not just enjoyed by those racing, but by spectators (like me, mom) and others who come and watch and some then want to participate and race themselves!

Evergreen State Fairgrounds has been a humongous blessing to our family! It's brought us together, supported each other, made new friendships, been reliable for our needs, and enable our son to continue to do what he love's basically in his own backyard! Our older kids have raced here in years past and it's been so great to see the younger ones enjoying the same pastimes and building onto those fun memories! Our family would love to continue in this tradition and support of this county.

Thank you for your time,
Jenny Schrader

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Sent from my iPhone

From: Cameron Ellis <cameronellis3@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2023 6:07 PM
To: Contact Council
Subject: Arenacross

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Arenacross brings family's together through racing and camping. It brings the community much closer and is a good environment for all ages.

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From: ttlo1969@aol.com
Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2023 7:04 PM
To: Contact Council
Subject: motorcycle events

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A big yea

From: jennifer dressel <jendressel3@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2023 7:33 PM
To: Contact Council
Subject: Flat Track Arena

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Please don't let any motor sports leave this area in Snohomish County. It's vital that this stays. It's such a big family thing as well for racers and spectators.

Thank you!

Jennifer Dressel
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Arlington WA 98223
425-422-7373

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From: Daniel Sedenius <danielsedenius@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2023 8:47 PM
To: Contact Council
Subject: Re: Motor Sports Arena Monroe WA

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Good evening,

I'm writing to try to plead my case to keep the arena in Monroe open for today's youth to continue to enjoy riding atvs.

This has always been a positive outlet for me growing up. I started racing there when I was 15 and I'm now 43 years old. It kept me busy when I didn't have a lot to do as a kid. Now that I'm a parent, I've been bringing my kids to the arena to have fun and perfect their abilities to be a stronger more confident rider for the past ten years. As a result, they've become more resilient, confident, strong, and team players. We promote lifting each other up and cheering everyone on, even the very last to finish!

Please keep this open for all of us that love this sport.

Thank you,

From: Ashley Freeman <Ashley.freeman91@hotmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2023 9:15 PM
To: Contact Council
Subject: Please save WHR arenacross at evergreen fairgrounds

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Hello there,

I just want to share how much WHR arenacross means to my family, and hope you would reconsider not renewing their contract in the future.

My husband has been racing WHR arenacross at the evergreen fairgrounds for over 20 years. He has so many fond memories spending time with his dad year after year learning how hard work and dedication pays off in this sport, he eventually made it to the pro ranking before stepping away to pursue a career and family, now just riding for fun. Riding and racing kept him out of trouble as a teenager, and being part of such a tight knit community of racers was such an important part of his upbringing.

I started riding and racing motocross as a young adult, and actually met my husband while riding at the evergreen fairgrounds. The racetrack here will always hold a special place in my heart. We married back in 2018 and have a 2 year old daughter with another on the way. We still come out and race arenacross every year and it's really the main thing we look forward to every winter! We dreamed of the days when our kiddos would be able to enjoy arenacross here in Monroe as much as we do.

The only other arenacross facility in Washington was down in Ridgefield, and was shut down a few years back. We have lost so many riding facilities over the past few years and we are heartbroken to hear that our beloved WHR arenacross will not be continuing for years to come.

I respectfully ask that you reconsider the decision to not invite WHR arenacross back to the Evergreen fairgrounds. It would mean the world to our community to keep this winter event for family enjoyment. So many kids and adults alike look forward to racing every year. Our PNW winters are long, this is truly something that keeps us going!

Thank you for your time,

Ashley Sagnis
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From: Stacey Walton <staceywalton04@hotmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 24, 2023 6:42 AM
To: Contact Council
Subject: WHR Motorsports
Attachments: 20221126_203527.jpg; 20221126_195753.jpg

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To whom it may concern,

When we first started racing with my eldest, who is only 7 mind you, my husband was so ecstatic to be standing in that starting line with 3 other dads that he himself raced with at a younger age. It is something that is so exciting and heartfelt to see come full circle. That's not something that is easy to think about having taken away.

These races create a sense of family that can remain close in the off season and we look forward to seeing every fall. Its an amazing outlet for all types of people and all age ranges. It is a starting point for so many young children that may otherwise not get this opportunity to explore a passion, support their friends or show their families how exciting dirtbikes and racing can be!

Please consider the long term negative effect there would be if you continue to move forward with the removal of these fall/winter races. It may sound like an odd sport, or a silly location to some but the reality is that it truly is an amazing location, in part to how many years it has currently been there. Please look at the little faces and the parents that were once in those same race boots.

I'm not sure that this message will make the meeting, but I'm hopeful.

Thank you for your time and consideration with this matter,

Stacey Walton

Please excuse any creative wording or ideas, as this was sent from my "smartphone"....

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Cc: [Beazizo, Heidi](#); [Ford, Jillene](#); [Contact Council](#); [Cheesman, Darcy](#); [Ewert, Angela](#); [Rhyne, Paula](#); [Thompson, Joshua](#); [Wiita, Russell](#)
Subject: FW: Motocross Resolution
Date: Thursday, May 25, 2023 9:46:08 AM

FYI - to be added to record.

-----Original Message-----

From: Jenny Schrader <jennynschrader@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 24, 2023 5:54 PM
To: Cheesman, Darcy <Darcy.Cheesman@co.snohomish.wa.us>
Subject: Motocross Resolution

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Dear Member(s) of the Snohomish County Council,

We want to express our deepest gratitude for hearing the motocross community and enabling our families and friends to continue being active and doing what we love! We appreciate your support and know you have ours!

With a tremendously thankful heart,
Jenny Schrader
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Sent from my iPhone

From: westernrep1@gmail.com
Sent: Thursday, May 25, 2023 6:20 AM
To: Contact Council
Subject: Monroe Fairgrounds Motorcycle Racing

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Good Morning,

My name is Troy Tangen. I have rode motorcycle for 43 years and have made a career in the motorcycle industry for the past 28 years.

I have seen a lot of our riding access dwindle in this state. I have seen the economic impact to our motorcycle dealers when a riding area is no longer available. For example when MXGP in Monroe closed, Monroe Kawasaki (since closed) went from selling roughly 250 five gallon pails of race fuel to under 10 per year. At a cost of \$85 per 5 gallons their sales went from \$21,250.00 a year to under \$850.00. That was only one dealer. We are an industry that the public flocked to during the pandemic because we offer good, clean fun for families.

Over those 28 years, we have lost a lot more riding areas than we have gained. Monroe indoor flat track and arena cross events are a generational types of events. Fathers and Mothers take their children to the same events that they rode years ago.

Please help us keep access to the fairgrounds and please help us obtain more public riding areas.

Thank you,
Troy Tangen
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