

Ladies and gentlemen,

This weekend Ralphie & I were lucky enough to be asked to ride at Jimmy Povolny's new riding area. It is called Horseshoe Bend.

It is just about 14 miles off of the Carrollton Exit (yes, that Carrollton exit!)

It was cold and there was a good layer of frozen turf just under the top, so the big tracks were pretty sketchy.

The two existing big tracks are just that, BIG.

They are all natural terrain, very hilly, and tasty to look at.

I cannot wait for the thaw!

(Jimmy - Please resist the urge to throw in too many big jumps on these two natural terrain courses. Table-tops are the cool!)

But with the ice hampering us on the big tracks, we played on the kids track for several hours. It was fun.

I just idled around the Supercross track and never want to set a wheel on it again. (As vicious a piece of real estate as I ever want to see!)

But this place is gonna be fabulous when it thaws again!

It is BIG!

And so are their plans for it.

We need to encourage and support them in this very ambitious undertaking.

Their plans call for a total of 5 big tracks, 2 supercross tracks, 2 kids tracks, a restaurant, and a parts shop.

And they have 500 acres of picture perfect terrain to work with.

It could be one of the best motocross facilities in the mid-west some day.

I wish 'em well.

Their 2 biggest obstacles (as I see it) are:

#1- Lawyers! The superscross track is a lawyer magnet. Pro riders might love it but we all know what happens when someone gets hurt. The bloodthirsty lawyers come crawling out of their holes with promises of some easy money if you sue.

#2- Erosion. I cannot see how they are going to keep the dirt on those hillsides when the rains hit. And it looks like good dirt too!

If you get the chance, I strongly suggest that you try the place out.

They will need everyone's support to pull this off.

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