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United States Grand Prix Racers Union

Moriwaki MD250H Powered by HONDA
It's Like Money in the Bank!



What would you do with \$2000 if you were only 12-years-old . . . video games or skateboards? Oh heck, buy both! With all of that money going to the winner of each race in the new Moriwaki MD250H Powered by HONDA race class, 11 race winners will be wrestling with that very same question. The remaining \$8000 per weekend will be divided among 9 other talented racers, most of which have never won as much money in their entire racing careers.

American Honda Motor Co., Inc. and Moriwaki Engineering Japan are offering a limited number of MD250H race bikes for sale to riders eligible for the USGPRU road racing series. The MD250H is powered by a 249cc liquid-cooled single-cylinder four-stroke Unicam engine from Honda's popular CRF250X that has been race-tuned by Moriwaki Engineering. From the wheels up, the purpose-built twin spar aluminum-framed road racer is ready-to-roll, complete with a single radial-mount front disc brake, inverted fork, Pro-Link single-shock rear suspension, lightweight wheels and tires, works-style welded aluminum fuel tank and race-ready bodywork. **Riders need only apply their own paint and graphics.**

"Our goal in releasing the MD250H is to help develop youth and entry-level racing in America by providing high-quality, affordable entry-level machines that are fun to ride and easy to maintain," said Honda Press Manager Jon Row. "To build enthusiasm for the USGPRU MD250H series, American Honda will be offering a corresponding contingency program worth \$110,000". Qualified racers may receive a Pro Honda Pit Kit consisting of \$890 worth of oils and chemicals. For contingency details, visit hondaredriders.com. Suggested retail price for the MD250H is \$11,699. It will be sold exclusively through select Honda dealers.

Due to a late arrival of bikes, the originally scheduled first round of the MD250H class at Firebird, was postponed to the Super Cycle '08 event weekend, August 22-24 at Reno-Fernley, Nevada. The \$10k purse that was aligned with the Firebird weekend will not be lost. We will be running two separate races of the MD250H class for a total purse of

\$20,000 that weekend alone.

Racers must be a minimum of 12-years-old and no older than 16 to race the new bikes. All racers must provide proof of race experience or graduation from a certified race school. But, **12- and 13-year-old racers must also provide a resume' showing substantial 2-wheel race experience** before they are allowed to join.

In order to keep the racing as inexpensive as possible, there will be very few modifications allowed. Additionally, like in the 125GP class, combined rider and bike weight minimums will be enforced. **The end result should be a showcase of each young rider's talent and preparation** and less about how much money they can pour into a race bike.

Manufacturer support for an entry-level class like this has not been seen in recent history. The huge purse that is being provided by Honda will certainly bring many kids out to race that would otherwise not have been able to afford a season of racing. Plus with the advent of the Red Bull Rookie Cup, we've witnessed the road racing spark that has been ignited in many aspiring youth racers. We are expecting a record number of youth racers this year to hang up their chest protectors and goggles and try on a set of leathers and knee sliders.

The MD250H will be allowed to enter the USGPRU 125GP class as well as CCS's 125GP class. As always, there will be no age maximum in the 125GP races. This will provide plenty of racing venues for the kids to get additional practice, as well as an opportunity for their parents and others to get out and race the newest GP bike in the paddock.

This exciting new MD250H class is the latest addition to the already popular line-up of USGPRU grand prix races. **This new class will help provide even more opportunities for young and old racers alike to get out and enjoy the thrill of GP racing.** If you want more information on the bike, the class, or the USGPRU, please visit our website or catch us at the track.

2008 Schedule

West Coast

Mar 8-9: Firebird East
Apr 5-6: Streets of Willow (125 only)
May 17-18: Las Vegas Classic*
Jun 14-15: Portland Int'l*
Jul 26-27: Miller (east course)*
Aug 22-24: Reno-Fernley*
Sept 19-21: Willow Springs (250 only)

East Coast

Apr 5-6: JenningsGP*
May 24-26: Summit Point*
June 20-22: Virginia Int'l (VIR)*
Jul 5-6: Road America*
Jul 25-27: Shannonville
Aug 9-10: Barber Motorsports*

National Final

Oct 4-5: Miller (full course)*

* MD250H race weekends

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