

# Newsletter of KartSport Taranaki

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So sorry this is so late and it seems that in the last two weeks there have been some significant race results, but as I have already started penning the March newsletter, I will save the details until then. It was only days to go before we began our new series, sponsored by Gogh TWL Ltd. We are looking forward to the new format.

Summer is always a busy time for racing and February has been no different.

The Rotax Challenge Series took place in Hawkes Bay. Although we didn't have anyone from Taranaki represented, it was a weekend full of all sorts of exciting racing. It will definitely be a series to watch, and after only round two anything can still happen.

A few of our Taranaki family travelled to Palmerston North for their club day on the 8th January. This proved to be a productive time for many who travelled in preparation for the Nationals over Easter weekend. Aaron de Ridder placed 2nd in the Rotax Max Heavy class. While Brad was the only Yamaha Light he did well to finish 3rd in the mixed class races. Well done to Ryan Jury who just missed out on a place on the podium with a 4th in Junior Yamaha, while Brendan struggled for pace and finished 6th. Thomas had a couple of comings together which hindered him and he finished his day in 4th. All in all it was a good run for us all leading up to the Nationals. As Palmerston is next to on our doorstep it would be great to see a good number of drivers and supporters heading down for a fun weekend of what always proves to be great racing. I was all ready to report on the result of the Superkart Nationals and spent nearly 15 minutes looking for the results. Robert was adamant that they had raced. When I grew grumpy... I mean frustrated, Robert offered to check the dates for me and what do you know? The Superkart Nationals are on this weekend. Needless to say I stopped looking for the results and went and had a peek at the list of Taranaki contenders. In the international class Alex Geary is running. In the National 20 class, Nick Isaac. National 125 features David Cox while Rotax Max Heavy is represented by Greg Robinson. And Rotax Max Light has Logan Boyde running. What a great line up of competitors. If we didn't have a club day it would be worth travelling to watch some of the racing. Good Luck to all of you travelling across to Taupo. We will be watching in anticipation.

That about sums up the racing this month, it has only been three weeks and not four. Robert travelled to Manfield last weekend along with a few other Taranaki racing families. Matthew Podjursky raced his Formula First finishing the day off in 13th. Several mechanical issues got in the way of finishing further up the ladder. Robert did say that there were a lot of other ex

karters there racing other classes of vehicles, it is always good to see where they go after karts. Next month sees round three of Goldstar take to our home track. It would be really good to see everyone take advantage of the great racing.

Our last club day, doubled up with our prizegiving was a fun day. We had our sponsors from come and have a go in a few of our karts that we put together. There were a few laughs and I am sure a few sore muscles after the racing they did. Thanks to Lydia and Dylan Frere who had their phones on hand to snap a few photos to mark the occasion.

I did consider not sending this, however after reading it there is still a lot of informative 'stuff'. I promise the next newsletter will be out before our next club day.

See you all at the next club day.

Donna:0)

#### Birthdays for December

Barney Davis	3 Dec
Garth Lacey	3 Dec
Dave Pascoe	12 Dec
Logan Boyde	12 Dec
Stacey Biesiek	12 Dec
David Lundt	14 Dec
Geoff Thom	15 Dec
Steven Bennett	19 Dec
Kyle Robertson	21 Dec
Brad Still	24 Dec
Shona Robertson	24 Dec
Gavin Waswo	29 Dec
Murray Podjursky	30 Dec
Richard Belk	30 Dec

#### Birthdays for January 2015

Chantele Johns	1 Jan
Thomas Boniface	11 Jan
Mark O'Sullivan	11 Jan
John Robb	13 Jan
Dylan Frere	15 Jan
Jayden Ransley	16 Jan
Ryan Carter	18 Jan
Chloe Ingram	26 Jan
Amy Pearce	27 Jan
Brittany Riddick	30 Jan
Scott Peters	31 Jan
Josh Dobson	31 Jan

Happy birthday to all these members!



#### Did you hear...?

The big news just heard about was the success of our very own

Bobby's joke backfired.

Logan Boyde at the Superkart Nationals. The race was full of drama, full of good race excitement for Logan to take out a podium finish in 3<sup>rd</sup> place. Way to go Logan. I look forward to your write up in the next newsletter.

## <u>Presidents Report – Robert</u> Boniface

Hi everyone, The sun continues to scorch Taranaki and I must admit to being a bit nervous about the level in my water tank, but at least it makes for pleasant conditions trackside! A short month always adds some pressure to get a Presidents Report written, and I can hear your sympathetic sighs from here....sounds like a Tui ad! Not much to advise, apart from a big "Thank You" to those who turned up at the Working Bee last Saturday...your help is very much appreciated. Sorry I couldn't be there.. I had some other issues I had to tick off my (growing) list. The first round of the Gough TWL Summer Series kicks off this Sunday, and we are hopeful of a large turnout of drivers for this. Murray Podjursky has kindly stumped up with over \$550 worth of giveaways for this round and he has indicated that he would like this relationship to continue into the future. I urge you all to take advantage of the hard work put in behind the scenes to make this series happen and to support Gough TWL wherever possible.

There is an opportunity to secure the naming rights for our Summer Series as well, so if you know a company who may be interested, please let me know. Good luck next weekend to our drivers heading to Taupo for the Superkart Nationals, pre-season form tells me we could well have another NZ Champ amongst our ranks after the weekend.

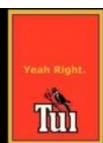
Enjoy your racing, I look forward to seeing all of you at the track on Sunday...

Cheers

Robert







#### **Upcoming Karting events...**

### 2014/15 Bayleys WPKA Goldstar Series

Rd3 - 8 March 2015, Taranaki Rd4 - 3 May 2015, Hawkes Bay Trophy round - 31 May 2015, Wellington

#### **2015 National and Other Events**

RMC Rd 1, 31 Jan-1 Feb 2015, Rot. RMC Rd 2, 14-15 Feb 2015, H.Bay Nationals, 3-5 Apr 2015, Manwtu Top Half Rd 1, 19 Apr, 2015, Tok. RMC Rd 3, 9-10 May 2015, Tok. Top Half Rd 2, 24 May 2015, Wngrei RMC Rd 4, 13-14 Jun 2015, BoP Top Half Rd 3, 28 Jun 2015, Ham. NZ Schools, 10-12 Jul 2015, Dndn Top Half Rd 4, 26 Jul 2015, Mt. Wgtn RMC Rd 5, 15-16 Aug 2015, Akld Blossom, 5-6 Sept 2015, H. Bay RMC Rd 6, 12-13 Sep 2015, Ham. North Islands, 24-25 Oct. 2015, BoP CIK, 21-22 Nov 2015, Ham.

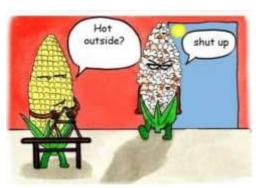
## Some comic relief...

# REMARKS NEVER HEARD AT A KART MEETING

- -- Hey, shut up! I can't hear the race!
- -- My God, this is a splendid Merlot.
- -- Jeeves, be a good man and retrieve the Wall Street Journal from my attach case. Then fetch me some clotted cream for my scone.

- -- What a coincidence, Hank, all my friends are boycotting the bar, too.
- -- These are even better seats than we had for the Lionel Richie concert.
- -- Good morning, Mr. Trickle. We at 'Depends' understand you're looking for a new corporate sponsor.
- -- Filling in for Dale 'The Intimidator' Earnhardt today is substitute driver, Michael 'Lord of the Dance' Flatley.
- -- And now, singing our national anthem, international recording artist Boy George.

NB there were a number of others but due to censorship have been withdrawn.



### Membership reminder...

Subs are overdue!!!









2012 Kosmic Mercury with Rotax Max, Alfano Astro, transponder. (Motor Box), DWT magnesium wheels with tyres, 2 Sets wet rims with tyres (Both sets 1 race old), HJC FG-17 Helmet with 2 visors and balaclava (Clear + Silver Iridium), AlpineStar race suit with AlpineStar gloves, AlpineStar race boots Wet race gear, Free practice tyres 50% + tread.

Please contact Cornelis for prices 021 025 655 30

Looking to sell anything?? Want to place a free classified advertisement - Get them to me ASAP

### A few pics from January club day









## **Club Officials**

Position Name

Patron Maurice Frost

President Robert Boniface

Vice President Mitch Day

Secretary Maurice Frost

Treasurer Karen Jury

Club Captain Peter Cottam

Senior Steward Steve Boyde

Promotional Officer Robert Boniface

Newsletter Donna Boniface

Race Secretary Chrissy de Ridder/Wendy Burroughs

Website Maintenance Chrissy de Ridder

Committee Mike Jury

**Tony Chambers** 

Aaron de Ridder

**Charles Frere** 

Cornelis van Zyl

Machine Examiners Robert Boniface

**Steve Boyde** 

**Malcolm Bruce** 

**Greg Dietschin** 

**Maurice Frost** 

**Warren Riddick** 

**Rob Webber** 

If you need any help, advice, information or just want a chat, feel free to contact any of the team above!

## Special thanks to all those who support us below.....





## Current track records as at 8 March 2015

Class	Anti-Clockwise	Date Set	Kart #	Chassis	Driver
Cadet Raket	31.887s	26/09/10	77	Kiwi Kart	Matthew Podjursky
Cadet ROK	31.922s	24/08/14	67	2012 Kiwi Kart	Thomas Boniface
Junior Restricted	29.983s	22/02/09	12	Arrow XE28	Aaron Marr
Vortex Mini ROK	30.894s	8/3/2015	46	Tony Kart	Tom Greig
Junior Yamaha	28.897s	31/07/11	5	Kosmic	Brittany Riddick
KF3	28.138s	19/10/12	33	Maranello RS9	Arran Crighton
Club Class	29.773s	30/09/12	5	Kosmic	Warren Riddick
ClubSport 120	31.585s	07/05/06	13	BRITISH MOUSEONS	Dan Snedden
Yamaha Light	28.978s	29/03/09	37		Alex Geary
Yamaha Heavy	29.433s	31/08/08	12	Intrepid Cruiser	Derek Lawrence
Rotax Max Light	27.990s	07/08/05	3	Arrow AX8 30/32	Bradley Tyrrell
Rotax Max Heavy	28.617s	19/10/12	21		Shaun Reay
KF2	27.088s	20/10/12	1	Tony Kart	Arie Hutton
Formula 125S	26.782s	07/08/05	92		Leigh Tidman
KZ2	26,311s	08/03/09	1		Ryan Grant
Open	26.595s	29/03/09	95	Kiwi Kart 250cc	Michael Kiser

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Cadet Raket	31.978s	02/05/10	77	Kiwi Kart	Matthew Podjursky
Cadet ROK	32.063s	27/07/14	67	2012 Kiwi Kart	Thomas Boniface
Junior Restricted	30.070s	29/05/11	NZ	Monaco	Thomas Joyes
Vortex Mini ROK				local co	
Junior Yamaha	28.744s	28/09/08	37		Alex Geary
KF3	28.229s	25/04/10	12	Arrow XE28	Aaron Marr
Formula Junior	28.431s	29/09/13	77	Sodi Celesta	Matthew Podjursky
Club Class	29.656s	31/10/10	5	Kosmic	Warren Riddick
ClubSport 120	31.944s	30/10/11	9	Kosmic	Warren Riddick
Yamaha Light	28.889s	28/09/08	24	Redspeed	Brad Still
Yamaha Heavy	29.353s	02/05/10	92	Tony Kart	Zac Zaloum
Rotax Max Light	27.997s	25/05/14	33	Tony Kart	Brad Still
Rotax Max Heavy	28.389s	02/05/10	92	Tony Kart	Zac Zaloum
Formula 125S	26.764s	05/08/07	7	Birel	Jason Lee
KZ2	26.205s	06/08/07	3		Ryan Grant
Open	26.607s	02/05/10	50		Nik Kiser