

Well that's another Nationals done and dusted. Before I say too much, I will take this opportunity to let you know that if you attended the event in Hamilton, there is a survey that KartSport NZ have out for anyone to fill in. Jump on their website and follow the link if you have something you would like to say about the event, jump on line now.

Nationals... let's just say it's a Nationals that some of us would rather forget. There were however many highlights. It was great to see a few of our Taranaki supporters come to watch. Most of the racing was over for our Taranaki Club members on the first day. I pinched this from Robert because this is the article he wrote for the 'Daily News', however after the editors cut, it never ended up like this.

AARON MARR BEST TARANAKI DRIVER AT KARTSPORT NZ CHAMPIONSHIPS

Taranaki driver Aaron Marr was the best finisher at the KartSport NZ National Championships at the Agrisea Raceway in Hamilton over the Easter break. Marr was contesting two classes at the Nationals, with his best result a 4th placing in the KZ2 class. The national title went to 13 time champion, Matthew Hamilton of Christchurch, with Marr impressing in his debut meeting in a brand new kart. Aaron backed this result up with a 9th placing in the Senior 100cc Yamaha Light class. Five Taranaki drivers made the trip north to contest their respective class events, with others failing to produce top results despite being strong in the qualifying sessions.

Thomas Boniface (Vortex Mini ROK) had a great start to the meeting by qualifying 5th fastest in the 28-strong field, showing early promise. However, these results were undone by a crash in H1, sending him almost to the rear of the grid for the Prefinal, making it a seemingly impossible task given the get to the front, to competitiveness of the field. Boniface drove hard and managed to secure 9th place at the tape, but this was well short of pre-event expectation. Hawera's Logan Smith was steady at his first nationals in the Mini ROK class, eventually ending up 20th. Alex Geary excused himself from University to contest the Senior 100cc Yamaha Light class along with Brad Still of New Plymouth. Former National Champion, Geary, was lightning in qualifying putting his kart on P2 for the heat racing. However this was undone over the course of the meeting, with Alex drifting back to bring his kart home in 5th, two spots ahead of Still, the current North Island Champion in 7th. Still seemed to struggle with setup and was never able to challenge the pace set by the Kinsman brothers of Auckland, who finished 1-2.

Brad Still and Alex Geary also tried their luck in the Rotax Max Light class, but

struggled to assert themselves in this category. Still qualified 20th, with Geary on 21st which made the chances of a podium spot very difficult, although Geary made his way to 10th in the Pre-final. Issues in the Final took away any chance of a podium Alex had, with Still driving a good race to secure 9th, leaving Alex in 17th after the 21 laps were completed.

So a disappointing meeting for the Taranaki contingent, after much promise leading up to the Nationals. Focus now shifts to the final points round of the WPKA Goldstar Series in Hawke's Bay on 1 May 2016. Still is in a good position to secure this title, with Thomas Boniface leading the GP series and 2nd overall in the Vortex Mini ROK class.

Aaron Marr wrestles his powerful KZ2 kart to 4th place at the National KartSport Championships

Photo by Trackshots (Campbell Jamieson)







Club News

 Thought we might do a shout out to Aaron de Ridder and Gracie soon to be Mrs... de Ridder, on the purchase of their new home. "Welcome to the club, Aaron and Gracie".

Next Working Bee 15th May 2016...at the



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

Hi everyone,

Who would have thought it was Winter? The weather is still pretty mild, when I compare to this time last year, we were freezing by now? The good thing about this is that it makes being at the track a lot more pleasant. There are a few things I need to cover off this month, so here goes...

We still do not have a person identified as a replacement race secretary. Chrissy has officially tendered her resignation and this weekend we are very fortunate to have Donna Boyde as a one-off for the meeting. BUT, next month will definitely be a fun day, unless someone comes forward. I am really disappointed that we have not had a candidate yet, ultimately, it is up to all of you to provide a race secretary if you actually want to race. I am a little tired of sounding like a cracked record, but I am not sure how else to make vou understand the situation. Please....we need a volunteer to be our new race secretary!

The AGM is coming up in August, and I understand there will be at least 4 committee members standing down, including me. So, this also means we need to get some volunteers thinking about making the transition from watching to helping? We will need at least 4 people to ensure we continue to have a quorum at all meetings, which incidentally are held at the Plymouth International Hotel the



second Wednesday night of each month at 7pm. For those of you who have some great ideas, now is the time to put your words into action? The committee can be really satisfying, all that is needed is some energy and willingness to do your share, it's not too onerous. Please make yourself known to the committee and even pop along to a meeting or two to get a feel for how it works.

The naming rights sponsor for the National Schools meeting is almost completed, and we'll be announcing that soon, along with the class sponsors who have generously offered support to the event. There are still 2 class sponsors needed, so if you know of a business who wants to support this National event, please let me know ASAP and I will sign them up. The event is shaping up to be awesome! It's a bit unfortunate though that the rules around officials are a little tough, as it means around \$11k is needed to pay for their input alone!!

For those heading to Hawkes Bay for the final points round of Bayleys WPKA Goldstar next weekend (1 May)...good luck! It would be great to see a bunch more club members travelling around than the small group we have now, it's time to regain the WPKA Goldstar Club Trophy as we haven't held it for a while! We also have the Trophy Round of Goldstar at Todd Energy Raceway on 5 June, so that would be a great warm-up for those thinking of contesting NZ Schools on 16/17 July.

There have also been some reports of people not following the rules around practicing and/or track useage. Please make sure you follow the rules as we'd hate to have to get tough with our members, but the rules are there for good reason and we must embrace and follow them. If you need to familiarise yourself with the correct protocols around track useage, please check out the website for these.

I look forward to catching up with you all at Rd 3 of the Supreme Kart Supplies Summer Series this Sunday...

Cheers Robert

BEFORE YOU COMPLAIN... ...Have You Volunteered Yet?

National Schools Shout Out!!

- We are still looking for sponsors for our National Schools Event. There is a package to suit many budgets so please get in touch with Robert Boniface via the website link if you, or somebody you know is in a position to offer support to this event.
- If you are around over the period of National Schools please let Steve Boyde know you will be available.
- Please come and support the working bees as you know many hands make light work.

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Birthdays for May

Paige Jensen	3 May
Cornelius Van Zyl	5 May
Graeme Sutton	7 May
Robert Boniface	8 May
Charles Frere	11 May
Brendan Jury	12 May
Aaron de Ridder	12 May
Sam Waddell	18 May
Blair Jensen	30 May
Jared Gwynn	31 May

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Two tips on your birthday: 1) Forget the past, you can't change it. 2) Forget the present, I didn't get you one.

- Unknown

Many happy returns to all these members on your birthday!

Next Club Day: 24 April 2016

Event: Supreme Kart Supplies -Summer Series Round 3 Duty Class : Juniors Direction: Clockwise Convenor(s): Peter Cottam Gates open: 7.45 Scrutineering: 8.30 -9.30 Drivers briefing: 9.15 Tuning run: 9.30 Lunch: 12.30 BBQ & Prizegiving at the conclusion of the day!

2016 Karting events...

- City of Sails, 30/31 Jan, Auckland
- Superkarts Rd 1, 6/7 Feb, Taupo
- Sulphur City/ROK Cup/Prokart Rd1, 13/14 Feb, Rotorua
- RMC Rd1, 20 Feb, Manawatu
- RMC Rd2, 21 Feb 2015, Manawatu
- Goldstar Rd3, 6 March, Wellington

- Sprint Nationals/ROK Cup, 25 27 March, Hamilton
- Superkarts Rd 2, 2/3 Apr, Taupo
- Top Half Rd 1, 10 Apr, 2015, Tokoroa

Citrus/Prokart Rd 2, 16/17 Apr, BoP

- RMC Rd 3, 23 Apr, Rotorua
- RMC Rd 4, 24 Apr, Rotorua
- Goldstar Rd4, 1 May, Hawke's Bay
- Superkarts Rd3, 7/8 May, Hampton
- G Tremain Memorial/Prokart Rd 3, 14/15 May, Tokoroa
- Top Half Rd 2, 29 May, BoP
- Superkarts Rd 4, 4/5 June, Manfield
- Goldstar Trophy Rd/ROK Cup, 5 June, Taranaki
- Winter Cup/Prokart RD 4, 11/12 June, Hamilton
- Top Half Rd 3, 26 Jun, Mt. Wgtn
- NZ Schools/ROK Cup, 16/17 Jul, Taranaki
- Top Half Rd 4, 31 Jul, Auckland
- Superkarts Rd 5, 6/7 Aug, Manfield
- RMC Rd 5, 20 Aug, Wellington
- RMC Rd 6, 21 Aug, Wellington
- KartSport Conference 27/28 Jul
- Blossom, 3/4 Sept, Hawke's Bay
- RMC Rd 7, 10 Sep, Hamilton
- RMC Rd 8, 11 Sep, Hamilton
- NZ Superkarts & GP, 24/5 Sep, Hampton Downs
- North Island Sprint Champs, 22/23 Oct, Hawke's Bay
- South Island Sprint Champs, 22/23 Oct, Canterbury
- Superkarts Rd 6, 29/30 Oct, Taupo
- Goldstar Rd 1, 6 Nov, Manawatu
- Goldstar Rd 2, 4 Dec, Taranaki



<u>Jokes</u>



Knock, knock Who's there? Cash Cash who? I didn't realise you were some kind of nut!

Bahahahahaha!!

10 FUN FACTS

- 1. You can't wash your eyes with soap.
- 2. You can't count your hair.
- 3. You can't breathe through your nose, with your tongue out.
- 4. You just tried no. 3
- When you did no. 3 you realized it's possible, only you look like a dog.

7. You're smiling right now, because you were fooled.

8. You skipped no. 5

 You just checked to see if there is a no. 5
Share this with your friends to have some fun tool :-)

A woman noticed her husband standing on the bathroom scale, sucking in his stomach. "Ha! That's not going to help," she said.

"Sure, it does," he said. "It's the only way I can see the numbers."



These words are *so* joining our vocabulary in 2016!

Chairdrobe (n.): piling clothes on a chair in place of a closet or dresser.

Epiphanot (n.): an idea that seems like an amazing insight to the conceiver but is in fact pointless, mundane, stupid, or incorrect.

Internest (n.): the cocoon of blankets and pillows you gather around yourself while spending long periods of time on the Internet.

Textpectation (n.): the anticipation felt when waiting for a response to a text.

Unkeyboardinated (adj.): when you're unable to type without repeatedly making mistakes.

I've given up social media for the New Year and am trying to make friends outside Facebook while applying the same principles. Every day, I walk down the street and tell passers-by what I've eaten, how I feel, what I did the night before, and what I will do tomorrow. Then I give them pictures of my family, my dog, and me gardening. I also listen to their conversations and tell them I love them. And it works. I already have three people following me—two police officers and a psychiatrist.



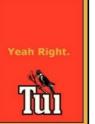
The following are compliments of Dave Sera's Facebook page so I thought they may become a regular feature in our newsletter....some of them are brilliant and some of them are very... very relateable

When dad says.... 'You came flying outta there'



IF A WOMAN SAYS "FIRST OF ALL." DURING AN ARGUMENT RUN AWAY, BECAUSE SHE HAS PREPARED RESEARCH, DATA, CHARTS, AND WILL DESTROY YOU.

I don't mind losing there's always next time...



What would your Dad say?...



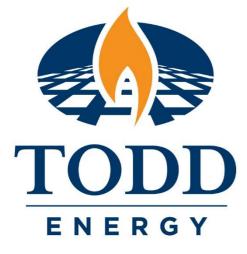
March Club Day results

Class	Pos.	#	Driver	
Cadet	1	9	Ben Isaac	
	2	6	Euan Dwyer	
	3	67	Lucas Taylor	
	4	26	Hamish Dwyer	
	5	27	Bronson Pierce	
	6	66x	Emett King	
Mini ROK	1	67	Thomas Boniface	
	2	42	Logan Smith	
	3	6	Noah Pepperell	
Junior	1	18	Nathan Cox	
	2	17	Isiah Kenny	
	3	22	Brayden Taylor	
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	2	42 77	Roger Pepperell	
	3 4	71	Mervyn Hooper Stuart Frew	
	4	/1	Stuart Flew	
Club Class	1	65	Brendon King	
	2	10	Josh Andrews	
Rotax Light	1	7	Jonathan Dwyer	
	2	11	Travis Young	
	3	53	Dave Batten	
Rotax Heavy	1	50	Campbell Jamieson	
	2	39	Nathan Nolly	
	3	26	Francois Rautenbach	
	4	79	Stephen Beck	
	5	51	Duane Taylor	
	6	84	Richard Johnson	
	7	6	Lauren Thompson	
	8	22	Dylan Waite	
	9	95	Aaron Taylor	



Class	Pos.	#	Driver	
Open	1	48	Mike Jury	
	2	21	Mathew Barton	
	3	49	Brendon Jury	

Grand	Prix			
Class	Pos.	#	Driver	
Cadet	1	9	Ben Isaac	
	2	6	Euan Dwyer	
	3	26	Hamish Dwyer	
	4	67	Lucas Taylor	
	5	27	Bronson Pierce	
Mini Rok	1	42	Logan Smith	
	2	67	Thomas Boniface	
	3	6	Noah Pepperell	
Junior	1	18	Nathan Cox	
	2	17	Isiah Kenny	
	3	22	Brayden Taylor	
Senior	1	48	Mike Jury	
	2	7	Jonathan Dwyer	
	3	50	Campbell Jamieson	
	4	49	Brendon Jury	
	5	65	Brendon King	
	6	42	Roger Pepperell	
	7	86	Dave Hammond	



Nationals photos ... thanks to Campbell Jamieson for these!







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





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 Nordix	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		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

Class	Clockwise	Date Set	Kart #	Chassis	Driver
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					
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







