

# January 2020 Kartorque



## Newsletter of KartSport Taranaki

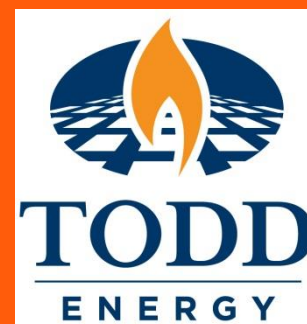
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### Presidents Report

Hi All

I hope your Christmas and new year break has been enjoyable. Hopefully, unlike me, you didn't indulge in too much Christmas pudding and Pav!

Now that we have all had a bit of a break from karting hopefully you are all recharged and ready to get back into what will no doubt be a busy year. Starting with our January club day on the 26th. I know I would like to try some road racing this year for something new and although I missed the January round at Taupo I will be having a crack during the year. Racing at other tracks is a great way to improve your driving and keep the interest up so I encourage you to try something new this year. Whether it's going to a Goldstar round for the first time or maybe trying some Top Half or Prokart rounds, or

doing some road racing on the full-sized tracks you will enjoy it.

It was good to see a good turn out to our December fun day with quite a few mechanics, mums & dads having a go in the club karts. Remember if you know someone that might like to get into karting get them to do a have a go or try a few laps in your own kart. Our own members are the best way to promote and grow our sport.

Don't forget we have our prize giving this month and you need to get your trophies back by the 15th to give the engraver time to engrave all the trophies. You can drop them off to Maurice at Supreme karts or David at Rotech Automotive Services on Molesworth Street.

After my report in the November newsletter asking for people to help out on club days, I have had a couple of people step up so thank

you very much to those that volunteered. It helps the committee to have a robust list of people to call upon to do jobs on race day. Thanks to those that have volunteered to help so far. We would still like to have some back up for our race secretary so let me know if you are interested.

Thanks, and see you all at prize giving.

Simon.

### Club News

Welcome back everyone! I hope you had a relaxing break over the Christmas period and you're ready to go racing again! The lead-up to Christmas was a very busy one for the club. We enjoyed a great first round of Goldstar and had our club champs in November, followed by the fun day in December. Thanks to all those who helped out over the



past couple of months with running these events, especially Goldstar, which was another big effort. Congratulations to our 2019 club champions and also to our drivers who competed in the Goldstar meeting. A special mention to our drivers who won or placed on the podium in their classes. Well done Brendon, Brad, Stuart and Ben. If you haven't seen any pics from Goldstar, there's a whole heap on the Goldstar facebook page that are worth looking at to see how cool you look.

The track is looking fantastic at the moment thanks to Hedge from Civil Linemarking and also Chemwash for cleaning and painting the track curbs and dummy grid area. The club appreciates support from local businesses. Please try and support them if you're ever needing their services.

### Club Champions for 2019

**Cadet – Max Amon**

**Mini ROK – Jacob Bellamy**

**Junior Rotax – Blake Eaton**

**Clubsport 120 – Thomas Boniface**

**Rotax Light – Daniel Lock**

**Senior DVS – Robbie Johnson**

**Rotax Heavy – Hamish Scott**

**Open Class – Brendon Jury**

**Champion of Champions – Hamish Scott**

**Sutton Speed Trophy – Brendon Jury**

### Results for Goldstar

**Cadet – 9<sup>th</sup> Ryann Windley**

**Cadet – 11<sup>th</sup> Max Amon**

**Mini Rok – 6<sup>th</sup> Jacob Bellamy**

**Mini ROK – 18<sup>th</sup> Jack Amon**

**Junior DVS – 3<sup>rd</sup> Ben Isaac**

**Clubsport 120 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Stuart Frew**

**Clubsport 120 – 4<sup>th</sup> Derek Lawrence**

**Clubsport 120 – 7<sup>th</sup> Garth Lacey**

**Rotax Heavy – 7<sup>th</sup> Simon Wilcox**

**Rotax Heavy – 12<sup>th</sup> – Duane Taylor**

**Senior DVS – 2<sup>nd</sup> Brad Still**

**Senior DVS – 5<sup>th</sup> Robbie Johnson**

**Open – 1<sup>st</sup> Brendon jury**

### Superkart Nationals

We also enjoyed success at a national level, with Nick Isaac and team defending their NZ title, by winning the KZ2 class again at the NZ Superkart nationals at Manfield in early December. Similar to last year, it was a clean sweep, qualifying fastest and winning every race by healthy margins to bring home the title for another year. Thanks once again to Steve Boyde for giving up his weekend to perform pit crew duties and also to Maurice and Kane for their ongoing support with mega fast vortex engines and tony kart chassis. I reckon Steve is a lucky charm. For the last 4 years Steve's been crewing, Logan and Nick have won 2 titles a piece. I think we'll keep

him on! It certainly makes your job as a driver easy when you've got a great crew you can trust, to take the workload off you between races.

David Cox was also competing in the KZ2 class, coming home in 3<sup>rd</sup> place behind Manawatu's Daryl Currie.

As Simon mentioned, our annual prize giving is on the 25<sup>th</sup> of **January** which is the Saturday night before our next club day. It will be held at the Plymouth Hotel again. Contact Melissa at Supreme Kart Supplies for your tickets. They will be back on deck from the 13<sup>th</sup>.

That's it from me, club day this month sees us kick off the summer series so hopefully everyone can get out and make a good start to the years racing and bank some handy points. See you all there.

### **NEXT EVENT**

**Round 1 Summer Series  
SUNDAY 26 Jan 2020**

#### *Duty Class : Seniors*

**Direction: Anti-clockwise**

**Convenor(s) : TBC**

**Gates open: 8.00**

**Scrutineering: 8.30 – 9.00**

**Drivers briefing: 9.15**

**Racing Starts: 9.30**

**Lunch: 12.30**

**Prizegiving at the conclusion of the day!**





[Team Isaac after the title defence](#)



[David Cox in action below](#)



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Do you have a young person bugging you to try karting?

Our Cadet kart is suitable for 6-12 year old drivers.

The 120cc kart suits drivers 12 to 80 years old....

Come and experience the thrill of driving at speed at the Todd Energy Raceway, you will leave with a smile!

It only costs \$60 to climb aboard an 85cc Cadet or 120cc Senior racing kart and turn some laps at the Todd Energy Raceway. This includes an introduction, full safety briefing and 20 minutes on the track!

**Bookings are essential...contact the club to be "buddied-up" for an introductory session.**

If you feel karting is for you, the kart is also available to hire for a full race day sortie, with support and mentoring from an assigned club member once you've had an introductory session.

**IT DOESN'T GET MUCH BETTER THAN THAT!**



All race gear will be provided and use of the kart is by appointment only. Contact us now by email to book your session!!

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