



## April 2010 Newsletter

### **Championship Round on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2010**

Well done to the Driver of the Day, Mini Max driver Joe Lane. Joe was picked by me as he dominated the Mini Max class in every race but also beat many of the quicker Junior Max drivers. I am aware that it a class that is overlooked by T&WKC as we opted for and recommend the Junior Tkm class two years ago. However in terms of the number of entries it appears to be similar to the Junior Max class. We will produce a Championship table for Mini's starting in May with 6 rounds to count out of the 7 rounds remaining. Prizes for the Mini's and Junior's will be reviewed later in the year when the average entry is clearer.

### **Contact driving**

On a recent Sunday morning practice session KNE staff "black flagged" a cadet driver for persistent contact on other karts. Instead of supporting the decision the father justified his son's actions "as it is the norm at Super One" and gave the member of KNE staff a hard time as a result. Let me be quite clear.....in my opinion it is contact driving that puts drivers in hospital. Consequently at entry level karting, which is what takes place at Warden Law, KNE will continue to discourage contact driving amongst our customers. Furthermore Sunday morning practice sessions are just that – practice! There is no place or justification for contact. If you have a problem with our policy please go elsewhere.

### **Promote Your Business FOC**

Do you have any outdoor banners promoting your company? We are in the process of improving the appearance of the new Speedball arena, and it's an ideal way of promoting goods and services and any sizes are welcome up to 1.5 metres high. There is no charge for this, ring Dave Glynn for further details.

### **Circuit Improvements**

There is to be some work repairing and painting kerbs shortly along with reseeding and turfing of the runoff areas. The work will be done midweek. If you intend coming midweek to test please check with us as we may have a part of the circuit closed for a day or two while we get the work completed.

### **Staff Changes**

Lauren Watson is leaving KNE soon to work with autistic children. We are all sorry to lose her from the office and the circuit where she has been responsible for Race Day timing and the Championship tables. That said we wish her well with her new career! Sonia Gibson and Vikki Lawson (no relation to me!) have recently joined Emma in the offices to keep KNE moving onward and upward.

Some of you may have met Carl Gannon who is the new General Manager responsible for all circuit and workshop activity. Carl's background is in circuit racing both as a driver and subsequently as a race team manager using Jaguar saloons. Carl, Emma (financial and admin manager) and I are always willing to listen to any point you wish to make regarding the management of the circuit or race events.

### **Special Offer for T&WKC Members**

Why not introduce your colleagues to the fun and excitement of kart racing? If you book a Thunderkart race event with us for your colleagues, staff or friends with a minimum group size of 15 drivers we will give you a month's free pass for one kart to be used at Warden Law. The free pass includes one free entry to the Race Day.

### **Dates to Remember:**

**Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> April -** Exclusive Owner Driver testing from 8am to 2pm

**Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> May -** KNE Championship 4<sup>th</sup> Round

**Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> May -** Exclusive Owner Driver testing from 8am to 2pm

### **Date to Avoid:**

**Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> May -** No Owner Driver practise – North East Air Ambulance Charity Event.

As ever if there is anything that needs bringing to our attention please email me on [ian@kartingnortheast.com](mailto:ian@kartingnortheast.com) or talk to me at the circuit or on the usual numbers.

