



May 2011 Newsletter

2011 Championship

Sunday's race saw a lot of competitive driving, with standards generally good in all classes. After a "telling off" from Bill, following three black flags in the first heat, prokart racing standards showed a marked improvement. Last month's driver of the day, Daniel Cooper, continued his good form and his determination paid off as he came back to win the Clubman class this month.

Driver of the Day this month was awarded to Jae Dale who showed a brilliant "get on with it" attitude. Following being wiped out in heat 3, and finishing the heat in 17th position without complaint, Jae made his way through the grid achieving a finish of 7th. Congratulations to Jak Watson (Junior TKM) on winning every heat and the final. Also in Senior Max, Jay Taylor won every heat and the final but couldn't manage to hold off Steven Jackson in qualifying. Unusually both drivers having exactly equal times.

Please accept our apologies for the timing issues on the day. We are looking into the source of these problems and ways to handle timing issues should they arise in the future.

Class Representatives

Following last month's newsletter we have only received a small number of applications to become a class representative. If you are interested in taking up this role please contact laura@kartingnortheast.com.

Tyres

Following discussions regarding prokart tyres, the majority decision has been for the regulations to remain the same and NOT to go to the 1 set per meeting rule.

Blue Flags

Drivers must obey all flags, including the blue flag (faster drivers coming up behind), however please remember that you do not need to swerve as this itself may cause an accident. Remember that there will be drivers of differing abilities in each class, which was very noticeable this month.

Scrutineering

As a reminder, remember numbers must be on karts before scrutineering. If not be aware that you will be refused at scrutineering and therefore could miss practice as a result.

Conduct on Site

As previously emphasised, we will not tolerate abusive language or conduct. Unfortunately one driver chose to ignore the rules and has been banned from the circuit following Sunday's meeting. We do not want to have to do this but conduct such as was seen on Sunday is not acceptable and will not be tolerated.

Litter

In general, litter control has been very good, but at the weekend in two areas of the paddock it was evident that people were not adhering to the code of conduct and site rules. May we remind you to dispose of all your own litter and tyres. In addition please note the following:

- No servicing is allowed on the tarmac
- Ground sheets must be used when servicing on the junior circuit
- No pets
- Be sensible when parking and maximise the use of space when parking.

New Hire Karts Arriving This Month

In line with a huge improvement programme, corporate events are a top priority with the focus on customer satisfaction. A refurbishment of the facilities aimed at improving our customers' experience has begun. But the icing on the cake will be the arrival of a brand new fleet of 30 karts due this month. We expect the new upgraded Sodi karts to be far quicker than the existing fleet due to improvements in handling and responsiveness. Our circuit will provide a perfect challenge for both novices and experienced drivers to sample what these karts can do, putting the 64.7 second hire kart lap record seriously under threat. Should you like to see what these new karts can do simply contact the circuit on 0191 5214050 to book an event.

August Race Day

Due to August's race day clashing with the NKF round, we have made the decision to move the race day to Sunday 31st July. We hope that this change will enable our regular drivers to compete and ensure we maintain good grids which can be enjoyed by all. Therefore the 6th round of the 2011 championship will be held on 3rd July and the 7th round on 31st July.

Dates to Remember

Sunday 8 th May	Exclusive owner driver practice 9am to 1pm.
Sunday 15 th May	No owner driver practice (hire kart race day)
Sunday 22 nd May	Exclusive owner driver practice 9am to 1pm.
Sunday 29 th May	Exclusive owner driver practice 9am to 1pm.

As always, we welcome your thoughts and views throughout the year. Should you have any queries regarding the race day and race results please email laura@kartingnortheast.com.