

The last meeting of the 2009 Championship started with an awful forecast followed by atrocious weather in the morning, drying out a little after lunch. Many thanks to all of you who turned out despite the weather. We did make one or two reasonable grid changes, due to the conditions. Tyre choice was not a problem until the finals when one or two brave souls opted for slicks, only to find there was still little grip even when the tyres had warmed up. Congratulations to Connor Toghill in Cadets who was picked out by the Clerks as a driver who did particularly well despite the weather. As a result he chalked up his highest point's total of the year.

Championship Results

The final tables are attached. If you have any queries regarding the results please do so by Friday 27th November 2009. We will not consider an "appeal" re the Championship results after that date. Provisional results are-

Prokart Elite	- Grant Murray	(winning by 5 points over Lee Metcalf)
Prokart Clubman	- Adam Harrison	(first winner of the inaugural Clubman class).
Max (Open)	- Mark Burton	(a massive lead over 2 nd place)
Junior Max	- Scott Mackrell	(just ahead of Jay Taylor)
Tkm	- Stephen Mottram	(in a very competitive class)
Cadet (Libre)	- Tom Maddison	(despite avoiding the rain in November)

Congratulations to all of the above. Well done to those who pushed the class winners all the way and thanks to all those who made the season such a success by racing at Warden Law.

Presentation Evening

This year will be held at the same venue as last year, Chester le Street Cricket Club (not the County Ground!) on Saturday 2nd January 2010 at 7 pm. The evening includes a 3 course meal and disco at a cost of £20.00 per person and £12.50 for those under the age of 12 years. Tickets are limited due to room size (120) so please order your tickets as soon as possible. The annual trophies will be presented on the night so please try to attend if you are in the top three in your class.

BSKC

The British schools karting championship will take place during January and February of next year. It is aimed at 12 to 18 year old min 5'2" competing as a team of 3 drivers. In 2008 a team from Berwick High school came 4th out of 270 teams who entered from the entire U.K. In 2009 a team from the Royal Grammar school, Newcastle were placed 2nd out of an entry exceeding 500 teams. I expect 2010 to attract circa 750 teams nationwide. If your son / daughter can find another two drivers within their school who have racing experience why not put in an entry? Local knowledge of the Warden Law circuit should assist you in progressing to the regional final held at the circuit. You can find more details on www.bskc.co.uk. Karting North East have various options to assist any driver or team improve through tuition and practice. The finals have been at Buckmore Park (2008) and Daytona Milton Keynes in 2009 (probably there again in 2010). Entry is FOC to those teams that qualify from the regions.

Kart Mania

Is at Coventry on the 28th and 29th of this month. We are there to promote the Tyne & Wear Kart Club Championship for 2010 and we will have a stall in the Kart Boot area. It is growing year on year so I suggest it is worth a look. More info on www.kartmania.co.uk.

Local Drivers at the Highest Level

- John Stewart - did well to finish 8th in Super One, 3rd in the televised Kart masters and 2nd in the "O" plate at Shennington on his senior Max Tony kart.
- Paul Hardy - finished 9th in the new KF3 class at Super One with the Intrepid team.
- Daniel Tate - was 15th in Super One in Junior Max running on a Tony Kart chassis.
- Steven Welsh - did superbly in his first season of Super One 4 stroke Tkm. He finished second missing out on 1st as a result of being disqualified for not filling in his Scrutineering Card correctly. He will learn! In addition he was on Motors TV this week coming from the back of the grid in the A final to take 3rd place.
- HRS Team - CRG driver Ed Brand won Junior Max at Super One, he was 2nd in the European Rotax Championship and will be at the world finals in Sharm el Sheikh with HRS in December.

Winter Championship

A three round Championship will take place this winter. We will give a free MIR kart Suit to the winners of Prokart, Senior Max, Junior Max, Tkm and Cadet. The regulations are based loosely on 2009 Regulations but talk to me if they cause you a problem. Our Tkm Extreme will be on the track for all 3 rounds to start the class off for 2010.

*Sunday 6th December 2009

*Monday 28th December 2009

*Sunday 17th January 2010

2010 Regulations

I have not had time to finalise the regulations for next year nor have I reviewed Elite and Clubman status. It will be done within the next week and they will be emailed out as soon as possible. At the same time I will circulate info regarding current shop offers so you can grab "free track time" for the New Year.

Dates to Remember

Sunday 15th November – Owner Driver Testing

Sunday 22nd November – **Exclusive** Owner Driver Testing

Sunday 29th November – Exclusive Owner Driver Testing

Sunday 6th December – 1st Round of Winter Series

Boxing Day - we are open to try out your new kart (**All Christmas opening times will be confirmed nearer to the date**).



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