



Tyne & Wear Kart Club News - September 2011

September Championship Round

Once again thanks to all that turned up for the September race. Overall it was an excellent day's racing with Warden Law enjoying fine weather conditions throughout the day. Well done to Driver of the Day, cadet driver Joe Watts. Having only had the kart for one week, Joe got within the time limits stringently set following tuition by Anton, and was allowed to race. Joe was a worthy winner of the driver of the day trophy and did extremely well throughout the day. We look forward to seeing him at Warden Law for future races. There was some excellent driving across the classes, with two new lap records set during Sunday's race. Well done to cadet driver Matthew Easton who recorded a 59.28s lap and senior max driver Jay Taylor on setting a 50.89s record.

Just as we enforce that all drivers abide by the Code of Conduct for the safe operation of the circuit, when off the circuit we expect individuals to conduct themselves in an appropriate manner to ensure the safety of our customers and the employees of the company. Verbal or physical threats will not be tolerated. Be aware that physical threats can have further reaching consequences outside of the circuit. KNE staff will have no hesitation in involving the police if necessary.

Trophies

Trophies are awarded on race days for each class. As per the championship regulations there should be a minimum of five karts for a 1st & 2nd place trophy and nine karts for a 3rd place. As we do not ask drivers to enter in advance the previous month's entry is used by KNE to order the correct number of trophies. Clearly as class numbers may increase for the following month sometimes our younger drivers have been disappointed to not receive a trophy to mark their efforts. For the next two months we will trial awarding trophies, based on numbers on the day, as follows:

Minimum of 4 karts for a 1st and 2nd place trophy

Minimum of 6 karts for a 1st, 2nd and 3rd place trophy

Scrutineering

To dispel all rumours from drivers of cheating, the scrutineers have been hard at work checking engines and karts to no avail and found nothing untoward.

One or two issues have been raised and come to light that have never happened at Warden Law before. We are however in the process of rectifying this and would urge all drivers to use the appeals process in the event of any discrepancies that they see arising. Please use the incident report forms (located in race control) to raise any issues with the Clerks during the course of the day, so that they can be dealt with as and when appropriate.

All drivers, and more so mechanics, must make sure that no equipment or tools are left on the kart when they go out onto the circuit. We have recently seen spanners left on karts and more worryingly a vernier gauge and its case! Another worrying trend is drivers carrying loose lead in their suits or pockets. It can and does come adrift and we do find it on the

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Parking

Recent issues regarding parking appear to be solved...a little common sense works wonders. However, please remember to speak to a member of KNE staff before parking and setting up during race weekends so that a parking space may be allocated.

Winter Race Day

Although the sunshine confirms we are very much still enjoying what remains of the summer, with only two championship rounds remaining we are discussing a fun race, as has been enjoyed in previous years, to take place before the start of the new series. Race date and full details will follow soon.

Dates to Remember

Sunday 11th September	Exclusive owner driver practice from 9am to 1pm
Sunday 18th September	No practice, hire kart race day
Sunday 25th September	Exclusive owner driver practice from 9am to 1pm
Sunday 2nd October	Owner Driver Race Day – 9th Championship Round



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.

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