



Tyne & Wear Kart Club News - October 2011



Photography By Julie Forster

October Race Day

Driving standards were exceptional given the weather, with wet conditions creating a very slippery track. The medic was left redundant for the day apart from treating Peter Knibb for a traumatic bee sting which left him dancing on the gantry. The driving standards of Ryan Cooper and Ewan Tindall were to be commended with both drivers showing great skill. Driver of the Day was awarded to Antonio Gagliasso. The October round saw the club toughen up on scrutineering, taking longer with more stringent

checking of tyres etc. Despite this there were only 3 exclusions throughout the day due to scrutineering.

Conduct in general was very good although there were still a few incidents. We hope this will continue to improve. Please remember that false starts are signalled by the starter and Peter Knibb only! Not by drivers or spectators. False starts will be signalled by a green with yellow chevron flag at post two. Until you have seen this signal assume you are racing.

Should you have any suggestions for next year please contact the club. We welcome any suggestions that may improve the race day, however please state suggestions now and not half way through next season!

Karting North East Boasts Victory

The very first National Karting Elite league was held at the end of September at the North East Circuit, Teesside Autodrome. This initiative is aimed at creating a national league with circuits throughout the UK entering teams and competing at various venues. Over 25 of the top UK circuits were represented and competed in 3 events; team sprint, individual and a team endurance race.

The three local drivers selected to represent Karting North East won every trophy available proving that our local drivers are amongst the best in the country. Well done to Tim Knox, Jay Taylor and Elliott Cotton who were clear winners of the morning sprint series. Jay Taylor was the comfortable winner of the individual race before the team notched up a hat trick by winning the 3 hour team endurance by almost a full lap!

This was a superb performance bearing in mind some of the country's top drivers were competing and is a clear signal that we will be the dominant force once the league gets underway early in 2012.

2011 Championship Points

Championship points are based on your best 8 rounds out of 10, therefore now is the time that rounds will start to be dropped. Please check your points and let us know of any queries by the end of the month. Remember, if you have been excluded from a heat (or the meeting) for technical infringements or been black flagged for driving infringements the round must be included in the 8 rounds to count.



Take advantage of our superb value offers this October and experience our fastest fleet of karts on the UK's top circuit. Please Contact 01915214050 for more information

Site Improvements

As always at this time of year, Karting North East will be undergoing various site improvements and maintenance which we hope will continue to improve the experience for drivers (and spectators) at the circuit. Track side advertising space is now available should you wish to take advantage of promoting your business to over 30,000 Karting North East visitors a year. As well as a huge local audience, you can get your message to several thousand weekend visitors who all need transport, accommodation and of course food and drink. In addition you will also be putting your company in front of the many corporate clients we entertain each year. For further details ring Dave on 0191 5214050.

The Kart Shop at Warden Law

Anton is away week commencing 10th October. May we ask that any shop enquiries continue to be directed to the circuit on 0191 5214050 (and allow Anton to enjoy his week off). Although Christmas is still some weeks away, remember to place any shop orders early to prevent disappointment. The kart shop also offers Christmas gift vouchers available from reception.

Race for your school at the BSKC

It's time to put Warden Law on the map and prove to the rest of the country how good our young drivers are! It's time to enter into the British Schools Karting Championship. This national competition is open to pupils aged between 13 and 18 yrs. Using hire karts, they compete against each other to reach regional finals and ultimately the national final at Daytona Milton Keynes.

This will be Karting North East's 4th year in this competition. Our first attempt resulted in a fourth place at Buckmore Park, our second and third years resulted in a 3rd and 2nd place (that was out of 550 schools nationally). What does logic dictate we should achieve this year?

Schools will have received information about this from the organisers however you can simply go onto the BSKC website, print off the relevant forms and hand them in at your school to remind them. If you or any school would like to discuss any aspects of the BSKC just ring Dave at the circuit

Dates to Remember

Sunday 16th October	No practice, hire kart race day
Sunday 23rd October	Exclusive owner driver practice from 9am to 1pm
Sunday 30th October	Exclusive owner driver practice from 9am to 1pm
Sunday 6th November	Owner Driver Race Day – Final 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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