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COVER: The Boys in JN taking it to the grass.-M.Clarke

This Month in Karting:

G'Day,

Racing was held on a fine weekend with a lot of visitors coming in watch. Remember to be friendly and treat all visitor as prospect members.

Our club AGM has been held and elections for all positions having taken place – Minutes in the newsletter later.

Included in this newsletter is the Track Rules for ALL karters using the track and are active wether it is private practise or race days. Please abide by the rules at all times.

For all Martine Beggs has kindly offered copies of photos taken over the past 6 months, she is not selling them and they can be supplied on CD. If you are interested please contact Martine on 0411 958053.

Remember if you do any away races send your placings or photos to grahamclarke@supernerd.com.au or phone them in - 03 51825907. Or text message to 0409 006 447.

See you at the Track- Clarkey





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Gippsland Go Kart, Club Inc. Annual General Meeting. 07/10/2008. The annual general meeting of the Gippsland Go-Karts was held at our clubrooms, on Tuesday 10th October, and was declared opened at 8.10 pm by President, Graeme, Monds.

Present: Anita & Barry Stratton, Geoff Medew. Glenn Wall, Phil Lane, Scott Rae, Henryk Latus. Graeme & Jeannette Monds, Kevin & Marj McKinnon, Kelvin Jeffrey, Wayne Russell, Frank & Michael Schena. Georgia Di Savia, John Schena, Alfi Prestipino, Kevin James, Graham Ross, Collete Ackrill, George Hofmann, Lou Caruso, Andrew Titherington ,Zac & Sean O'Reilly, Murray Jones, & Grant Wicks.

Apologies: Graham Clarke.

New Members:

Minutes from last Meeting.The minutes from the last Annual General Meeting were read by the members present, and was moved by Wayne Russell and 2^{nd} by Scott Rae that they be true and correct.

Treasurers Report:The treasurers report was given by Phil Lane and the members also read it. Phil told the members that the club has had another profitable year with a net surplus of \$28,937 being achieved for the period.

The single most significant achievement is respect of the financial year ended 30th June 2008 was the payment in full of the Westpac Business Development Loan. The amount required to do this was \$29.364.48. Even after the payout of this sizeable capital amount the club still had \$37.154 in the operating account as at the 30th June 2008. One of the big item we purchased was a new ride on lawn mower-

• "I feel it must be noted for the record that the committee and members are very grateful to Mr.Tim Marriott for the opportunity he gave the club to purchase the new ride on mower at well below normal retail price."

Looking to the future, and in particular with the intention to resurface the track and improve the drainage at the end of the 2009 racing calendar, it is vital that the club continue to successfully run the two open meetings we currently run with the major focus being on the C & D Grade Titles.

The treasurers report was moved by Graham Ross and 2nd by Murray Jones that the report be true and correct.

President Graeme Monds gave his Presidents report:

Members Family and Friends.

I would like to thank the committee and members for the support over many years as President of this great club. This club has had some huge upgrades over the years with a big imput from a lot of members. Our racing has been very good with many noteable achievements from a lot of our drivers both at this track and at open meetings, so congratulations to everyone who represented our club. The Golden Power Series has been well received with the 1st round conducted at our track. The C & D Grade Titles once again was a big success with a good input from our members with next year being the 10th running of this event. In closing I would like to thank my wife Jenny for the magnificent support over many years of being President.

Business Arising:Fees for 2009: Wayne Russell moved that the fees for 2009 stay the same as they were for 2008. 2nd by Phil Lane. A reminder of the fees for 2009: **Juniors \$70.00. Seniors \$85.00. and Families \$100.00.** and we pay the flaggies minimum of \$100 each race day.

Geoff Medew was nominated to conduct the elections. Graeme declared all positions vacant.

President: Jeannette Monds nominated Graeme Monds. 2nd Kevin James, Accepts. Scott Rae nominated Geoff Medew. 2nd Barry Stratton.Declined. **Vice President:** Kevin James nominated Scott Rae2nd Glenn Wall. Accepts.

Secretary: Wayne Russell nominated Anita Stratton. 2nd Phil Lane. Accepts.

Treasurer: Henryk Latus nominated Phil Lane. 2nd Graham Ross.Accepts.

Licensing Member Sec:Scott Rae nominated Wayne Russell 2nd Henryk Latus.Accepts.

Race Secretary: Scott Rae nominated Glenn Wall. 2nd Kelvin Jeffrey Accepts. Wayne Russell nominated Sharon Lowater. Accepts. 2nd Glenn Wall.

Committee: Jeannette Monds nominated Alfi Prestipino. 2nd Lou Caruso.Accepts. Scott Rae. nominated Frank Schena. 2nd Kevin James. Accepts.

Michael Schena nominated Graham Ross. 2nd Kelvin Jeffrey.Accepts. **Track Inspector:** Kelvin Jeffrey nominated Geoff Medew2nd.Michael Schena & Barry Stratton. Accepts.

VKA Delegate C/O Delegates,:Anita Stratton nominated the three from last year. Graeme Monds,Glenn Wall and Marj McKinnon,Glenn Wall Declined. Scott Rae nominated Murray Jones, 2nd Phil Lane. Graeme Monds-Delegate, Marj McKinnon & Murray Jones C/o Delegates. All accepted.

Publicity: Wayne Russell nominated Anita Stratton. 2nd Kelvin Jeffrey. Accepts.

Grievance Officer: Kelvin Jeffrey nominated Kevin James,2nd Barry Stratton. Accepts.

Newsletter Editor: Anita Stratton nominated Graham Clarke 2nd Wayne Russell.Accepts.

Duty of Care: Graeme Monds nominated Glenn Wall 2nd Anita Stratton Declined.

Geoff Medew nominated Andrew Tethrington 2nd Scott Rae.Declined. Graham Ross nominated Grant Wicks. 2nd Wayne Russell. Accepts.

Public Officer: Phil Lane.

Canteen: This position is in a balance at the moment.

Graeme resumed the Presidents chair, thanked Geoff for conducting the elections.A.G.M meeting finished at 9.15pm. General Meeting to commence 9.45pm



| | RACE PLANNER. | |
|------------------------------------|--|-----------------|
| AUGUST | | |
| 3 rd | Open Meeting | Wimmera |
| 9 th /10 th | Australasian 'C' Grade Titles | Gippsland |
| 10 th | Open Meeting | Mildura |
| 16 th /17 th | City Of Melbourne Titles | GKCV |
| 24 th | Tankworld Open | Swan Hill |
| 31" | Closed Club Day | All Clubs |
| SEPTEMBER | | |
| 6 th /7 th | Open Meeting | Rochester |
| 6 ^m /7 ^m | Rotax Nationals | GKVC |
| 13 th /14 th | Junior Sprint Classic | Eastern Lions |
| 20"/21" | Australasian Kart Titles | Goulburn Valley |
| 28 th | Bendigo Country Titles | Bendigo |
| OCTOBER | | |
| 5 th | Closed Club Day | All Clubs |
| 12 th | Country Series Round 5 | Portland |
| 18 th /19 th | Southern Classic | Oakleigh |
| 2.5 th | Closed Club Day | All Clubs |
| NOVEMBER | | |
| 1"/2"d | Golden Power Series Round 4 | Eastern Lions |
| 8 ^m /9 ^m | Shane McPhee Memorial | South West |
| 8 th /9 th | Over 40's Grand Prix / Vintage Demonstration | Goulburn Valley |
| 15" | Southern Zone Series Final Round | Albury |
| 15 th /16 th | Val & Joyce Findlay Memorial/ Formula 100 Nationals | Geelong |
| 23'* | Country Series Round 6/Mort Page Memorial | Ballarat |
| 30 th | Closed Club Day | All Clubs |
| DECEMBER | | |
| 6 th /7 th | Victorian Closed Titles | Bendigo |
| 13 th /14 th | VKA "Karter Of The Year" Presentation | TBA |



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AUGUST CLUB DAY RESULTS:

| Rookies | TAG Restricted | Junior National Heavy | | |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|--|
| 1 st Robert Titherington | 1 st Kevin Gardner | 1 st Zac O'Rielly | | |
| 2 nd Jack Scott | 2 nd Justin Starton | 2 nd Joshua Sarton | | |
| 3 rd Joshua Smith | | 3 rd James Henry | | |
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| Leopard 168kg | Clubman Light | Midgets A | | |
| 1 st Michael Schena | 1 st Nathan Elston | 1 st Troy Alger | | |
| 2 nd Geoff Whyoon | 2 nd Graham Ross | 2 nd Jordan Caruso | | |
| 3 rd Ross Jarred | 3 rd J.Masterman-Smith | 3 rd Ben Schena | | |
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| Clubman O/40s | Rotax Light | Junior National Light | | |
| 1 st Brian Golding | 1 st David Bishoff | 1 st Shayla Golding | | |
| 2 nd Frank Schena | 2 nd Henry Latus | 2 nd Nicholas Ellen | | |
| 3 rd Mick Dyke | 3 rd | 3 rd James Henry | | |
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| Clubman Heavy | Midgets B | | | |
| 1 st Grant Wicks | 1 st Connor Dunstan | | | |
| 2 nd Max O'Connor | 2 nd Brock Watchorn | | | |
| 3 rd Frank Schena | 3 rd Danielle Jones | | | |
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Gippsland Go Kart, Club Inc. General Meeting. 07/10/2008

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Treasurers Report:The treasurer gave his report at the AGM. **Business Arising:**No business arising from last months minutes.

Delegates Report: No report given. As delegates were away. Here are some reports from the minutes of the delegates meeting.

State President:

State Delegate:Pink number plate – this was allowed as a one of approval for the Ladies Breast Cancer race meeting. Pam Arnett was awarded a life membership of the AKA – for her dedication to the sport. 2011 National to be run in W.A. was awarded to the Tiger Kart Club.

State Stewards Coordinator: 3rd August 2008. Open 1 Day Meeting Wimmera.

Rule 16.13 (a) 50 Point Penalty

24th August, 2008. Open 1 Day Meeting, Swan Hill.

Starting Infringement 50 Point Penalty.

Rule 15.12 (blue flag)-Written warning.

Rule 43.03 Air box adaptor-Exclusion/ 1 month suspension.

7th September, 2008 Open 1 Day Meeting. Rochester. Nil complaints/Penalties.

6/7th September. 2008. Formula Rotax Nationals GKCV.

Rule 5.01 underweight.Exclusion from 1st heat.

Rule 5.01 underweight.-Exclusion from 1st heat.

Rule 15.10 passing under yellow. -Revised finishing order.

Rule 5.01 16.08 (e) -Exclusion from pre final

Fine \$100.00

Rule 5.01 underweight.-Exclusion from Pre final.

Rule 16.08 e 1 slowest time + 1 sec, \$25.00 fine.

Notice has been sent out to all clubs asking if they wished to have any of their members attend a stewards training day? No response as yet.

State Technical: Both CDI and TCI ignition units <u>and Stator</u> <u>Coils</u> as supplied by Yamaha are eligible. Effective from 1st January 2009.

Square noise box for the leopard approved. Only 3 boxes next year.

State Track: Reminder to clubs that grids are once again becoming far too congested. This is a safety issue with for too many people wandering onto the grid. With many drivers now running with a clutch the congestion on the grid is now more of a concern. Clubs are asked to stress to their members, competitors and pit crew to limit their access to the grid for starting.

Reminder that with all the rain we have had some clubs will need to do some cleaning in catch traps so please ensure that catch traps are maintained at all times.

2009 track inspections are fast approaching for your track licence approval, to all those clubs that have given time to alter or fix things from your last track inspection please ensure that it is all completed.

Roster for the inspections will be out shortly.

State Publicity: Brochure for the VKA is approved and is currently getting quotes for printing them. 2009 Masters Games under way sup regs to be completed shortly representative from the games has looked over the Geelong venue and was very impressed. We have entries in already. Entries close in December. So members if you wish to go better get your entries in now.

State Scrutineer:Self scrutineering going not too bad at the Rotax Nats a large percentage of Rotax had no carby over flow bottles or overflow hoses, a considerable number of wheel studs broke not sure of the cause.

Race Reports: Rotax Nationals Todd. Road, excellent racing. 140 entries. Jnr. Max 36 drivers unbelievable didn't know who was going to win until the end. Well run meeting.

Jnr. Sprint: Kevin McKinnon said it was very hectic, Well run meeting. Murray Jones went, he said that Nathan liked the track. Jnr. Development at Oakleigh. Very busy, Lou Caruso went and helped the young ones, Jordan enjoyed himself. Lou thinks the camp need more help.

Numurkah: 264 entries, quite a few of our drivers went. James got a red plate, Congratulations

James, Ricky Lane came 3rd in his class, Congratulations to you also Ricky. Well run meeting. The weather was great.

Over 40's drivers dates to remember7/ 8/9th November at Numurkah a race just for you, it will be a Great weekend, Vintage karts will be there and a man who is 83 years if age will be there from America, he has had a lot to do with go-karts in the past. Entries for the Over 40's can be given to Graham & Margaret Powles on 03 5862 1152. Sup regs for this event is on the internet.

General Golden Power Series: the club is once again giving away \$500.00 in a draw for our members, **BUT Business, you must have done the 4 rounds, with the final round being held at Eastern Lions on 1st and 2nd November.** 1st. \$250.00. 2nd .150.00 and 3rd 100.00. to be drawn at our club presentation. Bairnsdale interested in having inter-club days again. More about that later.

Alfi Prestipino is organizing a dinner night, so far he has 136 adults and 17 children. The cost for Adults is \$65.00 Children \$35.00. It will be on a Friday night. If you need to know more about this function see Alfi. On club days at the track.

Rotax drivers read the following: Rotax Club Rewards: In conjunction with the Rotax Racer Rewards program, IKD will be initiating a rewards program for AKA affiliated clubs that offer Rotax classes according to the AKA manual.

In order to be eligible for points, clubs must offer Rotax Light, Rotax Heavy or Jnr. Max as separate classes according to the AKA manual. This means that they must run on their class tyres and not as any derivative class such as TAG, nor can they be combined and run at an intermediate weight. Points tables will be available regulary for download from the IKD web site at www.internationalkarting.com.au

Club Rewards points expire at 31st December each year.

No playing in the toilets. They are not a play room.

Please read attached grid rules. And please abide by them, as we do not want anyone to get Hurt, doing the wrong thing. <u>Club day entries</u>: Sharon Lowater is our new race secretary, and she will be taking entries on the Saturday from **1pm**. Onwards

she will be taking entries on the Saturday from **1pm**. Onwards, in the entry room.

Members who wish to order their lunches on race day, would you please put your order in by 9.30am that will give the girls time to get them ready ,and ensure that you have what you want. This will be a great help to us. Thank You

Members please keep reading the notice board in the clubrooms, as there are addendums that will be of interest to you.

Personnel for race day Sunday 26th October, 2008 Clerk of Course: Graeme Monds.

Stewards: Phil Lane. Andrew Broadbent. Darryll Brand. Scales: Jeannette Monds.

Grid Marshall: Wayne Russell

Scrutineers: Graham Clarke & helpers.

Starter: Scott Rae.

Announcer: Geoff Medew.

Lap Scorers: Irene Cole. Sandy Straughair Sharon Lowater. Flags: Moe Lions and Moe Apex.

If any of the above personnel cannot do the allocated job they are named for, could you please ring Anita on 51 74 3870 before Thursday 23rd October, 2008.

Meeting closed 10.55pm Next meeting 11th November, 2008 Starting 8pm.



<u>RULES OF THE</u> GIPPSLAND GO KART <u>CLUB</u>

<u>Absolutely Must Be Adhered to.</u> <u>Failure will mean Cancellation of</u> <u>membership</u>

- 1 <u>MIDGETS & ROOKIES</u> CAN PRACTICE TOGETHER.
- 2 <u>JUNIORS MUST PRACTICE BY</u> THEMSELVES.
- 3 <u>SENIOR CLUBMAN, ROTAX &</u> <u>LEOPARD DRIVERS</u> (Maximum 20 KARTS !) CAN PRACTICE TOGETHER.
- 4 <u>ABSOLUTLY NOBODY</u> IS TO STAND ON THE <u>INSIDE OF THE</u> <u>TRACK</u> WHILE KARTS ARE ON THE TRACK.
- 5 NO REPAIR WORK TO BE CARRIED OUT TO KARTS ON THE<u>TRACK.</u> YOU MUST PULL

OFF THE TRACK ONTO THE IN GRID, <u>DO NOT</u> DRIVE YOUR KART FROM THE IN GRID TO THE OUT GRID. YOU <u>MUST</u> USE THE <u>OUT GRID</u> TO RETURN TO YOUR PRACTICE.

- 6 <u>NO REFUELING</u> OF KARTS ON THE <u>GRID</u>, IT MUST BE DONE OFF THE GRID.
- 7 EVERYBODY MUST WEAR THE APPROPRIATE RACING APPAREL WHILE DRIVING KARTS.

EG:

1 FULL FACE HELMET,

2 APPROVED RACE SUIT, To

AUSTRALIAN STANDARD

3 <u>GLOVES</u>,

4 SHOES TO COVER THE

ANKLES.

- 8 AT ALL TIMES THE KART <u>MUST</u> COMPLY WITH THE <u>AKA</u> <u>RULE BOOK.</u>
- 9 ALL KARTS MUST TRAVEL IN A <u>CLOCK WISE DIRECTION.</u>
- 10 NO STARTING OF KARTS BEFORE 9.00am,

NO RUNNING OF KARTS AFTER 6.00pm.

7 DAYS A WEEK.



CLASSIFIEDS

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