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Newsletter of the Gippsland Go-Kart Club Inc.

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Welcome to the June 2016 edition of Gippsland Go Kart Clubs newsletter, as we enter into Winter and the colder months our racing heats up with club days in June & July, along with the 3rd round of the Golden Power Series at Bendigo Kart club on the 9th & 10th July, plus Round 4 of the Country series at Wimmera Kart club on July 17 then followed by our very own C & D grade titles held at Gippsland Go Kart Club on the 6th & 7th of August.

All members are encouraged to come along to the club days and have some fun racing.

As members let's see if we can get any old members we know to return to racing, encourage them to resurrect those karts that sit dormant in sheds and come along and have some fun racing.

Seniors bring those Yamaha "S" motors and have a run in KA3 (Clubman) Light & Heavy, there's plenty of fellow racers still running these engines so your competition is still there just waiting for your return to fun & exciting racing.

Any Cadets or Juniors that Members know, encourage them to come along, Comer & Yamaha "J" motors are an ideal way for beginners to learn their race craft, these engines are still eligible to be run so encourage them to come along and be part of the fun.

Any members not racing but interested in helping out with the C & D grade titles are encouraged to come forward and volunteer to help with a job, all help is appreciated as its you the members that make this such a great club.

Remember the canteen runs on all club days & big race meetings so get in for some great food on these days.

Cheers.



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RACE DAY PICS

The Month of May's club day at Gippsland go kart club saw plenty of action with all drivers on the day enjoying the racing.

Cadet 12

- 1st Bailey Collins
- 2nd Bodhi Bright
- 3rd Harrison Ludlow

KA3 Senior Heavy

- 1st Ryan Aitken
- 2nd Frank Schena

KA3 Senior Light

- 1st Christian Viggiano

KA4 Junior Light

- 1st Samuel Downing
- 2nd Zane Bright
- 3rd Ben Chapman

Tag 125 Light

- Elly Morrow

Tag 125 Heavy

- 1st Ryan Aitken
- 2nd Geoff Wyhoon
- 3rd Samuel Morrow

Tag 125 Restricted Light

- 1st William Jacobson
- 2nd Ross Stubbs
- 3rd James Fyfe

Tag 125 Restricted Heavy

- 1st Frank Schena
- 2nd Mitchell De Pietro



PRECISION KARTING



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June

- 5 Open Meeting Bairnsdale
- 11/12 Victorian North West Titles Mildura
- 17/18/19 Victorian Kart Championship Round 3 Oakleigh
- 26 Club Day

July

- 3 Sun Centre Titles Swan Hill
- 9/10 Golden Power Series Round 3 Bendigo
- 17 Country Series Round 4 Wimmera
- 24
- 31 Club Day

August

- 6/7 C & D Grade Titles Gippsland
- 13/14 City of Melbourne Titles GKC
- 20/21 Golden Power Series Round 4 Albury-Wodonga
- 26/27/28 Rotax Pro Tour Round 6 Eastern Lions
- 28 Club Day

September

- 3 Country Series Round 5 Ballarat
- 9/10/11 Victorian Kart Championship Round 4 Eastern Lions
- 17/18 Australasian Kart Titles Goulburn Valley
- 23/24/25 Australian Karting Championships Round 5 GKC
- 25 Club Day

October

- 1/2 Junior Sprint Classic Eastern Lions
- 9 Bathurst
- 15/16 Country Series Round 6 Hamilton
- 23 Gold Rush Albury-Wodonga
- 30 Club Day

November

- 5/6 Golden Power Series Round 5 Eastern Lions
- 13 Junior Classic Geelong
- 19/20 Southern City Oakleigh
- 27 Club Day

December

- 3/4 Vic State Cup Warrnambool
- 10 Karting Victoria Presentation Night



MEMBER PROFILE

NAME: Ross Miller

What do you enjoy about go karting?

Going fast!!

Best part about being a member:

Making friends and having a good time with a great community.

How long have you been a member?

6 years

Would you recommend people joining the Gippsland Go kart club & Why?

Yes, It's a great club with a welcoming community atmosphere.

Best experience?

Getting my first race win in my third open meeting held at my home club, here at Gippsland.



MEMBER PROFILE

NAME: Bodhi Bright

What do you enjoy about go karting?

Having fun, meeting new friends, racing.

Best part about being a member:

Able to practice when I want, Other members

How long have you been a member?

1 year

Would you recommend people joining the Gippsland Go kart club & Why?

Yes, to have fun racing, good family atmosphere,

Best experience?

The excitement of racing at my first big race meet.



RACING NEWS

Bairnsdale Open: The Bairnsdale go kart club hosted the Bairnsdale Open on Sunday the 5th May.

Practice was available on the Saturday before hand & saw quite a few drivers take on the wet in challenging conditions in search of set up. Gippsland had a good showing of drivers taking part.

Sunday dawned gloomy & wet! A practice session saw some entertaining & skilful driving before drivers briefing was held with Qualifying and the heats getting underway.

After the heats were completed it was time for the finals to commence with the rain continuing to fall making conditions challenging to say the least.

The results of the Gippsland drivers are as follows:

Cadet 12,

Bailey Collins- 1st in qualifying, 1st in heat 1, 2nd in heat 2, 1st in the final.

Bodhi Bright- 2nd in qualifying, 2nd in heat 1, 1st in heat 2, 2nd in the final.

KA4 Junior light-

Samual Downing- 2nd in qualifying, 1st in heat 1, 2nd in heat 2, 1st in the final.

Zane Bright- 3rd in qualifying, 4th in heat 1, 3rd in heat 2, 5th in the final.

Ben Chapman- 6th in qualifying, 6th in heat 1, 6th in heat 2, 6th in the final.

KA3Junior-

Marcus Fraser- 1st in qualifying, 1st in heat 1, 1st in heat 2, 1st in the final.

TAG 125 Light-

Ryan Aitken- 2nd in qualifying, 1st in heat 1, 1st in heat 2, 2nd in the final.

Curt Sera- 1st in qualifying, 2nd in heat 1, 2nd in heat 2, 1st in the final.

KA4 Junior Heavy-

Chad Densley- 3rd in qualifying, 3rd in heat 1, 3rd in heat 2, 3rd in the final.

TAG 125 Restricted Light-

James Fyfe- 1st in qualifying, 1st in heat 1, 1st in heat 2, 1st in the final.

Ty Hinchliffe- 2nd in qualifying, 2nd in heat 1, 2nd in heat 2, 2nd in the final.

TAG 125 Restricted Heavy-

Mitchell De Pietro- 1st in qualifying, 1st in heat 1, 1st in heat 2, 1st in the final.

Frank Schena- 3rd in qualifying, 2nd in heat 1, 2nd in heat 2, 3rd in the final.

Congratulations to all drivers who competed.

Also congratulations to Benjamin Bargwanna with a 21st place finish in Junior Max at round 4 of the ROTAX PRO TOUR held at Ipswich Kart Club.



Gippsland Go Kart Club Inc.

General Meeting. 07/06/2016

The general meeting of the Gippsland Go-Karts was held at our clubrooms, on Tuesday 7th June, 2016 and was declared opened at 7.05pm by President Peter Aitken.

Present: Anita & Barry Stratton, Lorraine & Peter Aitken, Geoff Medew, Geoff Curley, Grant Wicks, Shannon Bright, Ross Miller, Mark Wicks, Phil Lane.

Apologies: Graeme & Jeanette Monds, Russell Frost, Glenn Wall & Tony Correa.

New Members: NIL

Minutes from last Meeting. The minutes from the last meeting were read by members present, moved by Ross Miller and second by Geoff Medew that they be true and correct.

Treasurers Report: Phil a lengthy and complete report, showing us how things have changed. He is hopeful that things will improve. Thank you Phil for your great report, and the report was moved by Geoff Medew and second by Lorraine Aitken.

Business Arising. Lap Score Board. Parts have been ordered, hopefully we will have them in time for June club day, Shannon informed us that it only take the mechanics a few hours to put everything together.

Delegates Report The delegates report was given by Phil Lane. Graeme and Russell were absent. The treasurer gave a verbal report at the delegates meeting. A couple of clubs want assistance to do things to their tracks, they have to have their financials and loan application submitted to the KV, then they have to be approved.

Phil Smith – financial Director. Moved Geelong that KV accept Phil Smith appointment second Wimmera.

KA AGM – Mick Doohan – Competition director – KV to abstain.

State President / Executive Commissioner. NIL.

Treasurers Financial Report: Same as at the beginning of this delegates report.

Reports:

State Stewards Coordinator:

09-10/04/16

Country Series Rd. 2.

Entries 164

Portland.

3 x Weight Infringement.

Slowest time + 1 second.

1 x Weight infringement,

Excluded from final.

1 x Careless driving.

10 second time penalty.

1 x Tyre inside rear bar.

Penalty rear of field.

1 x Incorrect tyres.

Excluded from section of event.

17/04/16

Val Findlay Memorial.

Entries. 110

Geelong.

2 x Passing under yellow.

2 place penalty.

1 x Starting infringement.

10 second time penalty.

29-30/04/16

Victorian Kart Champs. Rd. 2

Entries. 162

Geelong.

3 x Weight infringement.

Excluded from section of event.

1 x Weight infringement.

Slowest time + 1 second.

1 x Starting engine during drivers briefing.

\$50.00 fine.

6 x Drivers conduct.

10 second time penalty.

1 x Driver conduct.

20 point penalty.

2 x Intimidation.

Excluded from meeting.

1 x Starting infringement.

10 second time penalty.

Discussion on frivolous protests being put in. They are always on about previous meetings. Etc. They are just putting in frivolous protests.

State Technical:

Technical inspectors to keep an eye on the mini ROK engines not Australian purchased.

These are to have AU stamped on them and no machining.

State Track: NIL

State Scrutineer: Numbers some are not correct. And they are practicing without numbers on their kart. Situation at Geelong round of the VKC where a kart was on the grid with a set of wets that had no bar codes on them.

Bar Coding- no bar codes on Bridgestone tyres. Discussion with Paul Feeny Group and he confirmed KA have approved these tyres with no bar codes. This rule on having bar codes is not there anymore. They are either marked or scanned.

Agenda items:

1. Expression of interest to old the 2017 Victorian State Cup 2/3rd December. This is to be voted on 14th August council meeting.
2. Draft 2017 race calendar. Thank you Phil for the report.

Correspondence. In & Out: Moved by Ross Miller and second by Shannon Bright.

General Business:

Geoff Curley: The old A frame trailer, it has been taken to his place, being repaired, not quite sure what will be done with it yet? Would like to put some advertisement on it, would cost about \$1250, got the go ahead from Phil to do the frame.

Still looking at a TV to go above the canteen counter, again for advertising, as of yet have not got any good replies for the donation of the TV, still looking.

Shannon Bright: We are having the newsletter started again, the Bright boys are doing it, so many thanks to them, it will be greatly appreciated by our members. If any member wants to sell or buy any go kart equipment or parts, just see Shannon Bright and he will tell you how to get the information to him so that they will be able to include it in the newsletter.

Shannon heard that Eastern Lions were having a Trivia/ Auction night, and was wondering if we would/could be interested in having an Auction night, we have had them before that is how we got the tech shed built. A discussion would have to be held, and if we agree early 2017. We have had a couple of them and they were great. A lot of organizing goes into a night like that. More about that later.

Lorraine Aitken: Asked if someone could clean the lap scorer's windows on the outside, and inside, as they a mess, Lorraine is not allowed to climb on anything, also the starters windows also need a cleaning.

Lorraine asked about the C & D grades, wants to get things started it is only 6 weeks.

New way of paying entries by secure pay is nearly compete, Phil just waiting for some paper work.

When that comes into practice, just see Lorraine and she will explain to you how it is done. A discussion was held about E grade licenses? How long can a karter hold one for??

Geoff Medew: When at Bairnsdale he was asked about transponders? There are new ones coming out, some talk that you can hire them? Could someone tell us what is going to happen.

Bairnsdale is not having a club race day in July, they told Geoff they were coming down to Gippsland so they could have a practice for the C & D grades the following week.

Weather for the Bairnsdale open last Sunday was very wet.

Peter Aitken: Erebus is giving us tires to go round the track, the only thing is we have to go and get them. Ross Miller has offered to get a loan of a truck and go and get them.

Thank you Ross for your offer, and a couple of the members present at the meeting has offered to help Ross unload. Hope everything works out OK.

There was a discussion on a couple of rules that the members asked Phil to look into:

1. Come-N-Try. Keep the track opened on the Sunday after racing?
2. Discussion on rules. Regaining position: Phil had a discussion on this matter. Phil would like to see it go back to the old rule.
3. Camera rule: Vague

Phil Lane: Phil put in a motion of an expression of interest of hire karts. Below is Phil's motion.

Motion: That the club find out whether any person9s0 may be interested in running a hire kart business at our club on our terms and conditions. The motion was second by Ross Miller. Carried.

Shannon bought up about an upcoming event in Rosedale the MAN Cave in September, He said it was a good day, See Shannon about the details, maybe try and get some karts up there?

Race Results: The following results are from the Bairnsdale open which was held on the 5th June.

Cadet 12: Bailey Collins 1st, Bodhi Bright 2nd. **KA 4: Junior Light:** 1st. Samuel Downing, 4th, Zane Bright. 6th Ben Chapman. **TAG 125 Light:** 1st Ryan Aitken, 2nd. Curt Sera. **KA 4 Junior Heavy:** Chad Densley. **TAG 125 Restricted Light:** James Fyfe 1st. Ty Hinchcliff 2nd. **TAG 125 Restricted Heavy:** 1st, Mitchell DePietro, 2nd, Frank Schena and 3rd. David Bishop. Congratulations to all karters who travelled.

HELP urgently needed. We need another lap scorer and spotter, can someone please help, also we need a person/s to learn to do the lights, as Luana is leaving, but she is willing to teach the volunteer how they work.

We would like a couple of extra people to help up there, on race days and on our opens, so that everything is covered. Lorraine cannot do everything alone. We need a couple of extra people to learn what goes on up in lap scorers box, in case that one of our girls are ill at any time or have to have a day off for some reason. If we do not have those positions covered we will not be able to run the race, you will be shown what it takes to do the job, please think about helping, your help would be greatly appreciated, as I have said before we cannot leave it to the same ones, they need help. If you are interested in helping and I hope, there are some members who would like to do it please see Lorraine.

Members the track is closed all day on Saturday 9th July, it has been hired by the Vintage Karts. Come and watch some of the oldies, they enjoy themselves.

**Just remember that the track is closed to all on the 9th July.
Private use.**

Transponders: The price of transponders this year is **350.00**.

Members: If you want to renew your license, you have to do your membership first.

If you wish to race on a race weekend, and your license is due for renewal, you must have your license done with Lorraine by the Wednesday before the race meeting, as they have to have all information about your license on the computer by late Wednesday night.

For any more information see Lorraine or give her a ring.

Personnel for Sunday 26th June 2016.

Clerk of Course:	Andrew Broadbent.
Stewards:	Glenn Wall, Phil Lane.
Scales:	Jeanette Monds
Grid:	Rob Bumpstead
Lap Scorer:	Lorraine Aitken.
Announcer:	Geoff Medew.
Lights:	Luana Crampton.
Scrutineer:	Tony Correa.
Starter:	Graeme Monds or Ross Miller
First Aide:	John Head.

If any of the personnel above cannot do their duty on the above date would you, please ring Anita

On 0407 74 3870 by Wednesday 22nd June, 2016.

Thank You.

**Meeting closed 9.10 pm.
2016**

Commencing 7pm.

Next meeting 12th July,

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**Next club day is
Sunday 26th June**

See you all there.

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