

CAPITAL CITY KART CLUB

February, 2003

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Monthly Meetings Held @ COWICHAN VALLEY INN
2nd Wednesday Every Month @ 7:30 p.m.

NEXT MEETING March 12, 2003

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MEMBERSHIP

Membership renewals were due by Dec. 31, 2002. **Late fees will be enforced after Jan. 31, 2003.** Membership and driver profile forms are available under the new "Forms" link. Driver profiles are for races where there is an announcer, Regional and Port Alberni. Licence forms are available on the BCKCA website. Make sure you get the Regional form.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hi Ho, Hi Ho, it's off to work we go, don't be scared, let's get our track prepared, Hi Ho, Hi Ho! **21 DAYS TO FIRST PRACTICE AND COUNTING!**

The last meeting of the CCKC was held on February 12, 2003, with 24 members plus 7 Executive present.

- Tim Rieberger reminded members that there would be work parties coming up. If lots of members participate, we'll be ready to practice sooner. (Four whole members showed up for the workparty on Sat. Feb. 15.....)
- Kelly Irish has the schedule done, except for whether or not to schedule a race on the Youbou Regatta weekend. He wanted the members to vote on that, saying we couldn't practice on the Saturday as it would interfere with the Regatta, but that we could start a little earlier on Sunday, to get in an extra practice. We've decided to do as he suggests, and club members can join in the festivities in Youbou, which include a dance, on Saturday.
- Roy Thomas reported the rules package for the 2003 season has been finalized. This info can be found on our website.
- James Wilson says that the rules committee has finalized the rules, and very little has changed. There will be a change in the fee structure for members who are running two classes. Members will get a break on practice fees if both the classes they run in practice in the same group. Qualifying will be timed at 4 minutes, with timing starting when the first kart crosses the start/finish line. Qualifying will be open, with karts able to enter and leave the track at any time, and re-enter the track through the pre-grid. Personal vehicles will not be allowed in the pit area, unless the competitor is pitting out of the vehicle, for example a truck or van. The ASN rule regarding rear bumpers will be followed. Class structure is finished. Refer to the 2003 Race Regulations. If two classes run together, there will be a staggered start, with separate scoring. Note that classes will be teched for clutch lock-up. We are trying to make the classes work so that older equipment can be used.
- **CLASS SPONSORS ARE STILL NEEDED**: If any members know of people or businesses that would like sponsor a class this year, they should contact Kelly. We need 10, \$500 sponsors. There was discussion about a sponsor for the series, and for the Regional Race. Port Alberni Grand Prix already has class sponsors, as well as sponsors for the individual karts.
- Four **new club members**, from Victoria, Duncan and Cobble Hill were introduced. We welcome them to the club.
- Some **club promotional displays** have been organised. The first one will be on Friday, Feb. 21 at the Capital's hockey game, at the Cowichan Community Centre. It will be in conjunction with a Rec Park promotion, and will include a staged kart "race" on the ice before the game. There will be a display at Hillside Mall in Victoria on Feb. 22-23, and a display at Western Speedway. Also, we will be displaying a kart in Lordco, and will have a display at Canadian Tire in Duncan in the near future.

Work parties were discussed. There is a lot of work to be done, and we hope we will get lots of volunteers, to get the work done quickly. Work parties are noted on the schedule. We'll try to

get the Chernobyl Burger Café up and running. . Here's a list of what needs doing, so let's get busy.

Post holes drilled deeper, pregrid and tech areas
Tires restacked and rebanded
Track rearranged and smoothed
New signage?
Fix fence by turns 2 and 3
Fix fence by scoring tower...gate would be nice
Corner curbs 10 and 11?
Blackberries-prune and Roundup
Railing on grandstand
Move fence at end of grandstand
Stairs on end of grandstand
Grout corner 2
Curb at washroom across road
Sound fence?
Deck platform in front of scoring tower door

Later:
Plywood off buildings
Replace registration booth
Reinstall scales
Roof over tech area and scales
Info board near stands

- Bob Walker reported on a **letter from Weyerhaeuser**, saying that the property the club had its pit area on is for sale, and club property is infringing on the property for sale. The area will have to be cleaned up at some point.
- Vicki Walker reported on **progress on the Rec Park**. The Rec Park support group has a speaker, Kathryn Hayworth, coming to Duncan. She is president of SCAMP, the Sports Car Racing Association of Monterey, California. The club races at Laguna Speedway. Kathy will be speaking to the Duncan Chamber of Commerce and local and interested business people, on February 28. All elected officials, as well as media and representatives from Cowichan Tribes will be invited. On March 1, Kathy will speak to the general public at a coffee meeting at the CVI. The support group needs the support of our club. The next meeting of the Outdoor Rec Park Support Group is Sunday, February 16, at 6pm at Somenos Hall.
- Allan Mark discussed **training volunteers as corner-workers**, using trackside and classroom sessions. Anyone interested should contact Allan.

- Dorothy Alexander reported on the last **BCKCA meeting**. She noted that BCKCA will put aside \$6000 for racers going to the Nationals, to help defray expenses. Go to the BCKCA website for changes in rules and class structure for the Regional series. Note that for the medical, use the BCKCA Regional form, not the ASN form, and electrocardiograms are not mandatory. Trainers and manuals from BCKCA will be going to each venue to do training for corner-working, scoring, etc. At our track, this will happen the Thursday night, May 22, before our regional race. This year, trophies in the Regional series will be awarded on the basis of points only, not points and how many events were attended. Also, there is a new rule to recognize that a sponsor (parent, for example) should be allowed to ask the Race Director to take a kart off the track, for driver/ kart safety.
- The **Try a Kart program** still needs karts, parts, donations and sponsors.
- **Port McNeill High School** is planning on bringing its kart-building class students down for a few races this year. It will be fun to see what they've accomplished.

LICENSE DIRECTOR'S NOTES:

ASN Drivers License applications and renewals must be submitted with the following documentation: 1. Photocopy of birth certificate, Prov.drivers license, or other reasonable proof of age, required for junior and new drivers only. 2. ASN Canada FIA medical examination, if applicable (renew every two years). 3. Proof of experience, if applicable (Logbook). 4. Accredited driving school report, if applicable. 5. Appropriate license fees. Submit completed forms signed by applicant, parent (if applicable) and two CCKC License Committee members, Club License Committee members for 2003 are Steen Carstensen, Curt Haugen, Tim Rieberger and Roy Thomas. All club members are reminded that ASN licenses are valid for one year only, new applications and renewals must be submitted and processed by the regional BCKCA before approval. I would urge anyone who wants to get out on the track in March to get his or her paperwork done ASAP
Roy Thomas CCKC

RACE DIRECTOR'S NOTES:

The Rules committee met over the weekend of February 8-9, and hashed out the 2003 racing season rules. Our main goal was to have everybody on the track as much as possible. As a result, there are a few minor changes to the rules for this year over last year, namely, the infamous 90 second rule has been defined and karts are now allowed to enter the track from the grid at any time. Also, it was decided that in the interest of allowing everybody a shot at a good pit stall, tow vehicles and motorhomes aren't going to be allowed in the pits anymore. These are just the highlights; full details

are available in the rules package. The rules will be posted on CCKC's website for download very soon. If you have any questions regarding any of the rules changes, or anything you're unsure of, please feel free to contact me at home (250) 384-2717 or at work (250) 385-7555.

INTERESTING KARTING SITES:

Home.portal.ca/~beast/kart.htm

Www.kartweb.com/

www.ekartingnews.com/

CLASSIFIEDS:

Check the classifieds for new postings.

If any one has suggestions for this website, or would like to make a contribution, (fact or fiction), please let us know!