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**AKA (QLD)
STATE KARTING COUNCIL MINUTES
SUNDAY, 20th November 2011**

Held at Quality Inn,
Hamilton, Brisbane

The Meeting was opened at 8.30am by the AKA Qld President, Tom Kenneally

Management Committee Present: Tom Kenneally, John McCleverty, Steve Pattel, Dennis Neagle and Swaleha Ali

Apologies Management Committee: Nil

Clubs represented: Mackay Kart Club – Don Ingram, Cairns Kart Club – David Harris, Ipswich Kart Club – Maureen Capri, Warwick Kart Club – Alf Capri, Toowoomba Kart Club – Dennis Neagle, Emerald Kart Club – Geoff Kein, Gold Coast – Pat Buckley, Towers Kart Club – Peter Thomas, Townsville Kart Club – Jeff Johnson, Rockhampton – John Brydon, Cooloola Coast Kart Club – Dale Coomber, Bundaberg Kart Club – Robin Petersen, Gladstone Kart Club – Ken Prichard

Co-Delegates:

Cairns Kart Club – Mark Hogan, Ipswich Kart Club - Ashley Waardenberg, Gold Coast – Graham Heath, Rockhampton – Jannell Brydon, Cooloola Coast – Kym Coomber, Gladstone – Alan Gordon

Apologies Clubs: Mt Isa Kart Club

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Visitors: Bob Edyvean

The Toowoomba Kart Club provided a letter for Dennis Neagle to act as a Proxy for Toowoomba Kart Club.

The President did not acknowledge the proxy for Mt Isa being held by the Ipswich Delegate until the voting process at the AGM and thus Mt Isa had not been noted on any agenda item before voting began.

The President introduced the AKA (Qld) Life members who were present.

The President then welcomed all Delegates and Observers, asked all members to introduce themselves, stating Club and position they represented, and any pecuniary interests.

Motion: That the digital recording system be accepted

Moved : Cooloola Coast

Seconded: Towers

For: Unanimously

Motion Carried

PREVIOUS STATE KARTING COUNCIL MINUTES

President allowed a few minutes for Delegates to review the Minutes from previous State Kart Council Meeting held May 2011.

The minutes of the previous meetings were stated as incorrect as the matter for Hayden Stephensen was not stated. The Townsville Kart Club stated that the Executive member who had photos of the incident on his phone, was asked to be removed and this was not reflected in the minutes. Minutes will be amended to reflect this.

A discussion about the validity of this statement occurred; the Delegate from Ipswich recalls the situation about the photos and stated that the photos should have been removed. The President will conduct an investigation into this issue and will this matter will require an immediate resolution as it relates to a tribunal issue. Mr Stephensen should have received clear instructions in relation to his ban and this is required to be done, if it hasn't.

In the last minutes, invoices issued by the Treasurers should display a GST component. The New Treasurer has asked for further information in relation to this matter and if all clubs with issues could forward their concerns and issues via email to the Treasurer for him to investigate.

Motion: **To accept the previous General Meeting as true and correct, as per corrected**
Moved : Ipswich
Seconded: Warwick
For: Unanimously
Against: Townsville
Abstain: Mt Isa
Motion Carried

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE LAST STATE COUNCIL MEETING

In relation to the TDF Levy, it was not reported back from the NKC to the SKC and therefore the charge back of the levy to the clubs should not have occurred, as they didn't know about it. However the majority of clubs have paid this levy.

That all matters relating to the NKC should be disclosed not only to the Executive but to all Queensland clubs so these situations do not occur.

The issues of the Come & Try Trailer and website will be discussed in general business.

The validity of the meeting was discussed as proper notice was not given for the May SKC meeting. However the Special General Meeting fulfilled the Associations Constitutional requirements.

CORRESPONDENCE IN:

Race for Jase

The request for financial information on the Race for Jase, including tyre pooling was discussed. There wasn't a lot of information available as most of the existing Executive had no knowledge of the financial position of the Charity event.

Motion: Investigation into Race for Jase that was held at Ipswich Kart by promoter AKA Qld, financial & prizes to all be accounted for
Moved: Cooloola Coast
Seconded: Bundaberg
For: Cairns, Cooloola Coast, Bundaberg, Townsville, Towers, Mackay, Ipswich, Warwick, Gladstone, Rockhampton, Toowoomba
Against: Nil
Abstain: Mt Isa
Motion carried

Financial Records for Supercheap and Southern Star Series

Cooloola Coast Kart Club also mentioned that there were no financial reports from Supercheap and Southern Star Series. The new Treasurer will follow this up and he also mentioned that if clubs have any concerns relating to financials to email him.

Red Flag Incident

Cooloola Coast Kart Club queried a letter that was sent to the Junior Vice President concerning a red flag incident at a Gold Coast Kart Club event held at Cooloola Coast regarding the restart of a Midget race.

The Junior Vice President spoke to the Officials concerned, who admitted that they had made an error

TREASURER'S REPORT

As previously stated, the new Treasurer would like all issues that clubs have to email him with any information and issues they have. The Treasurer plans to send out invoices on a more frequent basis and this should alleviate the issues that clubs are currently having.

AUDITORS REPORT

This will be presented at the next SKC meeting

SECRETARY'S REPORT

The same as yesterday's, however we need to move forward.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The new President requested the clubs to give the new Executive time and things will start to change.

NKC REPORT

Information from the NKC will be provided to the Executive in a timelier manner and this information will be provided to the clubs as soon as possible; to ensure more effective communication.

However the delegates have indicated that some decisions might need to be made on the moment as clubs are not providing enough guidance. For example the NKC Strategic Planning, the NKC delegate only received 8.

OFFICIALS COORDINATORS REPORT

This report will be held over to the next SKC meeting, as the Officials Coordinator is not in attendance.

TRACK INSPECTORS

Southern – the previous Track Inspector has provided the new Track Inspector with the necessary paperwork and materials, so he should be able to start the job soon.

Northern – as per his previous statement and he will provide the new Track Inspector will all the necessary assistance.

TECHNICAL REPORT

Technical schools in Townsville will need to be revised, it was suggested that the State Technical Officer may need to review Technical dates after the race dates have been finalised.

PROMOTIONS

That all Series promoted in Queensland should reports back to the SKC Meeting.

AGENDA ITEMS

1. *Stewards Laptops*

A discussion into the necessity of Stewards having access to a laptop was discussed. It would be beneficial for Stewards to look at a drivers past history after a decision has been determined. It was suggested that the State appoint a person to investigate grants for laptops.

All Stewards has access to CMS information and this will be sent out to all Stewards shortly.

Motion: That AKA (Q) organise a co-ordinator person to arrange Government Funding/Grants Submission for AKA (Q) & Clubs.

Moved: Cairns

Seconded: Mackay

For: Cairns, Cooloola Coast, Bundaberg, Townsville, Towers, Mackay, Ipswich, Warwick, Gladstone, Rockhampton, Toowoomba

Against: Nil

Abstain: Mt Isa

Motion carried

2. *Copy of Track Plans on the website*

This information would be beneficial to all Officials attending a track for the first time. A Standard format for the information needs to be established and then sent to the Secretary for any adjustment or changes.

3. Queensland Sportsman Class

Considerable discuss occurred in relation to the introduction of the Queensland Sportsman Class. Most clubs had mixed responses from the karters, some clubs were in favour of continuing with is class, while other clubs were strongly opposed to it.

It was discussed that TAG Restricted was the fastest growing class in Australia and that there is a requirement for the specifications to be on the AKA Qld website to assist karters.

Motion: That Qld Sportsman classes as presented at 2010 AGM be continued and the AKA Qld post class specifications on State website.

Moved: Bundaberg

Seconded: Mackay

For: Cairns, Cooloola Coast, Bundaberg, Townsville, Towers, Mackay, Ipswich, , Gladstone, , Toowoomba, Mt Isa,

Against: Rockhampton, Warwick

Abstain: Nil

Motion carried

4. Temporary Affiliated clubs

Should all clubs be paying affiliation fees to the National body? This was discussed and it was stated that only the States are affiliated with the National body. It was stated that Temporary affiliated clubs are paying for affiliation and they are not holding race meetings.

It was decided to leave this matter until further information can be provided.

5. Warwick Promotional

The cost of the promotions for the Qld State Titles held at Warwick this year will be left until the next SKC meeting.

6. Closed Titles Officials Expense

A discussion about the cost of Officials at the Closed Titles was discussed; it was conducted that the Council will need to communicate with the new Stewards Coordinator for clarification.

7. Officials at Queensland State Titles

It was proposed to assist the clubs with the costs of Officials that the State would coordinate this and that set a levy of \$30 per nomination to recoup the cost of the Officials.

After much discussion with some clubs feeling that the hosting club should dictate what Officials they should be able to use. The State would need to provide a detailed cost (budget) for this expense; however this could be difficult due to the different travelling expenses to different clubs.

This is not an additional cost per nomination, but a levy that should be incorporated into the nominations fee.

Motion: AKA Qld will appoint a list of officials for Qld State Titles; these include Clerk of the Course, Stewards, Starter, Chief Technical Inspect & Chief Timing Officer. The AKA will nominate a cost per nomination of \$30.00.

Moved: Bundaberg

Seconded: Gladstone

For: Mackay, Bundaberg, Gladstone, Warwick

Against: Cairns, Towers, Ipswich, Mt Isa, Townsville, Rockhampton

Abstain: Cooloola Coast, Toowoomba

Motion lost

8. Come & Try Roster

The Junior Vice President delivered his proposal to the Council.

Townsville discussed the need to have the karts and trailer for their Come & Try Day on 3 December and the karts would be available for Whitsunday Motosports opening on 4 December. It was decided that the karts could go to Townsville with Townsville Kart Club responsible for the collection and return of the karts and trailer.

Motion: Motion to accept the current Come & Try Karts calendar submitted by the JVP

Moved: Townsville

Seconded: Mackay

For: Cairns, Cooloola Coast, Bundaberg, Townsville, Towers, Mackay, Ipswich, Warwick, Gladstone, Rockhampton, Toowoomba

Against: Nil

Abstain: Mt Isa

Motion carried

9. Race for Daniel

The Cooloola Kart Club would like to use Lee Hanatschek's expertise in promoting this prestige event and would like AKA Qld to donate the Levy fees to the great cause. The club would also like a letter from the State body authorising the use of Lee.

Motion: AKA Qld fees & levies other than mandatory fees (to be reported on by Treasurer AKA Qld) for Race for Daniel be donated to the Morcombe Foundation in exchange Cooloola Coast will promote AKA Q as a partner and will have the use of Lee Hanatschek for promotion and marketing of the event

Moved: Cooloola Coast

Seconded: Rockhampton

For: Cairns, Cooloola Coast, Bundaberg, Townsville, Towers, Mackay, Ipswich, Warwick, Gladstone, Rockhampton, Toowoomba, Mt Isa

Against: Nil

Abstain: Nil

Motion carried

10. TAG100

This recommendation is forwarded to the next NKC meeting.

11. TAG100

Motion: To move Townsville agenda to the next NKC meeting
Moved: Townsville
Seconded: Towers
For: Cairns, Bundaberg, Townsville, Towers, Mackay, Ipswich, Warwick, Gladstone, Toowoomba,
Against: Rockhampton
Abstain: Mt Isa, Cooloola Coast
Motion carried

12. Implementation of the AKA Best Management Constitution

This recommendation has already been implemented.

13. Rulebook

The Co-delegate from Gladstone stated that the rulebook needs to be changed to make it more user friendly, you are unable to read it even if it on A3 size.

Motion: That all rules, regulations, technical specification and current construction and safety standards of the AKA be included in printed version of the karting manual/national competition rules and that any and all sequent addendums be included in the Manual of the calendar year following their introduction that all illustrations which form part of any specification included in the handbook must be legible without recourse to a magnifying lens.
Moved: Gladstone
Seconded: Bundaberg
For: Cairns, Cooloola Coast, Bundaberg, Townsville, Towers, Mackay, Ipswich, Warwick, Gladstone, Rockhampton, Toowoomba, Mt Isa
Against: Nil
Abstain: Nil
Motion carried

Motion: For the rules and regulations in the AKA karting manual to remain static for each calendar year beginning January 1st. This excludes changes that affect safety.
Moved: Ipswich
Seconded: Warwick
For: Cairns, Cooloola Coast, Bundaberg, Townsville, Towers, Mackay, Ipswich, Warwick, Gladstone, Rockhampton, Toowoomba
Against: Nil
Abstain: Mt Isa
Motion carried

Motion: To consider running TAG125 at State and/or National competition events, to be included on the Agenda at the next NKC meeting.

Moved: Ipswich

Seconded: Warwick

For: Bundaberg, Townsville, Towers, Mackay, Ipswich, Warwick, Gladstone, Rockhampton, Toowoomba

Against: Nil

Abstain: Mt Isa, Cairns, Cooloola

Motion carried

14. CMS system

The change from licence membership dates needs to be changed from 3 months to 1 week. This has been discussed at the NKC meetings and it was decided to change it to 1 day rather than 1 week.

15. Queensland Vintage & Historic Karting Incorporated

This is another club that would like to be part of the AKA Qld, after some discussion it was decided that the Executive will contact the Queensland Vintage & Historic Karting Incorporated for more information, before a decision will be made.

16. AKA Qld Correspondence

Motion: All correspondence to and from AKA National to be forwarded to all club Secretaries, Club delegates, AKAQ committee and AKA delegates upon sending or receiving such details by the State Secretary.

Moved: Cooloola

Seconded: Rockhampton

For: Cairns, Cooloola Coast, Bundaberg, Townsville, Towers, Mackay, Ipswich, Warwick, Gladstone, Rockhampton, Toowoomba, Mt Isa

Against: Nil

Abstain: Nil

Motion carried

Motion:

(a) All policies adopted by AKAQ must appear on the AKAQ website.

(b) Any current policy not displayed on the AKAQ website by 31/01/2012 is void, unenforceable and deemed rescinded.

(c) Any new policy must be placed on the AKAQ website within 1 months of being approved as policy by the full AKAQ Council.

Moved: Cooloola

Seconded: Bundaberg

For: Cairns, Cooloola Coast, Bundaberg, Townsville, Towers, Mackay, Ipswich, Warwick, Gladstone, Rockhampton, Toowoomba, Mt Isa

Motion carried

17. On board cameras

Motion: That the AKA National body purchase a set of suitable cameras to stream video from the course to the control tower for use at high level events

Moved: Mackay

Seconded: Warwick

For: Cairns, Cooloola Coast, Bundaberg, Townsville, Towers, Mackay, Ipswich, Warwick, Gladstone, Rockhampton, Toowoomba

Against: Nil

Abstain: Mt Isa

Motion carried

Motion: That the on-course officials, once better supported by the video referee system, be more pro-active in initiating actions against drivers clearly in breach of the rules instead of delegating the task to other competing driver

Moved: Mackay

Seconded: Warwick

For: Cairns, Cooloola Coast, Bundaberg, Townsville, Towers, Mackay, Warwick, Gladstone, Rockhampton, Toowoomba

Against: Nil

Abstain: Ipswich, Mt Isa

Motion carried

18. Amendments to Competition Rules

Motion: That the position of Starter be made a formal position requiring an official's licence and training

Moved: Mackay

Seconded: Toowoomba

For: Mackay, Toowoomba, Gladstone

Against: Cairns, Cooloola Coast, Bundaberg, Townsville, Towers, Ipswich, Warwick, Rockhampton, Mt Isa

Abstain: Nil

Motion lost

Motion: That the procedure for the race Start be amended to contain the zone within which a race may be started

Moved: Mackay

Seconded: Toowoomba

For: Cooloola Coast, Bundaberg, Townsville, , Mackay, Gladstone, Toowoomba, Mt Isa

Against: Cairns, Warwick, Towers, Rockhampton

Abstain: Ipswich

Motion carried

Motion: That the procedure for clearing karts from the track be amended to place an onus on both Drivers and officials to render the full track usable within a specified period

Moved: Mackay

Seconded: Toowoomba

For: Cairns, Cooloola Coast, Bundaberg, Townsville, Towers, Mackay, Ipswich, Warwick, Gladstone, Rockhampton, Toowoomba, Mt Isa

Against: Nil

Abstain: Nil

Motion carried

19. ***Section 25.31 Camera on board***

Motion: That the current legislation 25.31 imposing restrictions on the use of on-kart cameras during official practice/competition be amended to remove paragraph (11) relating to the limitations on the total number of cameras fitted to a kart

Moved: Mackay

Seconded: Toowoomba

For: Cairns, Cooloola Coast, Bundaberg, Townsville, Towers, Mackay, Ipswich, Gladstone, Rockhampton, Toowoomba, Mt Isa

Against: Warwick

Abstain: Nil

Motion carried

20. ***Driving Standards and Training***

Code of conduct and education for drivers

Motion: That the AKA National body publish a clear code of conduct and engage in a process of education for drivers

Moved: Mackay

Seconded: Toowoomba

For: Cairns, Cooloola Coast, Bundaberg, Mackay, Ipswich, Gladstone, Toowoomba, Mt Isa

Against: Warwick

Abstain: Towers, Townsville, Rockhampton

Motion carried

Motion: That the AKA National body coordinate a comprehensive training syllabus for race officials

Moved: Mackay

Seconded: Toowoomba

For: Cairns, Cooloola Coast, Townsville, Towers, Mackay, Ipswich, Warwick, Gladstone, Rockhampton, Toowoomba, Mt Isa

Against: Nil

Abstain: Bundaberg

Motion carried

Motion: That the AKA National body deem a “Standard of Excellence” to be applied to major title level meetings
Moved: Mackay
Seconded: Townsville
For: Townsville, Towers, Mackay, Gladstone, Rockhampton, Toowoomba, Mt Isa
Against: Nil
Abstain: Cairns, Warwick, Ipswich, Cooloola Coast, Bundaberg
Motion carried

GENERAL BUSINESS

Emerald Kart Club

New track at Emerald is coming along and they will be racing next year. They have managed to gain Corporate and Driver Education is going ahead.

It should be an exciting year ahead for the club.

The club would like to know what Technical Tools is required to be held at the club and they would rather that the Technical school be held at Emerald first so they are able to conduct their own race meetings.

The delegate showed photos of the new track.

Race Dates

5 clubs will be holding a Series in Central Queensland and they would like to offer a coloured plate. The colour of this plate will be determined at a later date.

Motion: Award a plate for the Queensland Country Title, 1st place winner in each class plate only to be used at club involved in this event
Moved: Rockhampton
Seconded: Cooloola Coast
For: Cairns, Cooloola Coast, Bundaberg, Townsville, Towers, Mackay, Warwick, Gladstone, Rockhampton, Toowoomba
Against: Ipswich
Abstain: Mt Isa
Motion carried

Mackay Kart Club

The State Karting Council and the Executive should adhere to a Code of Conduct and we all should be conducting ourselves as professional manner.

Cairns Kart Club

The club commented on the Kart Oz magazine and believed it to be character assassination of the previous President. This conduct was not appropriate as members of the AKA Qld Executive.

Website

Correspondence was sent to all the clubs in relation to the website and no feedback was received. It was suggested that Lee Hanatschek should contact the Ipswich Kart Club in relation to the design of new AKA Qld website.

Townsville Kart Club

Promotion on the Come & Try Trailer and banners was discussed. AKA Qld needs to look at providing these banners as part of the Come & Try Trailer and program.

The proposed name change was discussed and it was agreed that the Association should look at changing the name from Australian Karting Australia (Queensland) to Karting Queensland and this needs to be done before the V8's in Townsville in July.

The costs for the name change were discussed and a new Corporate logo would cost about \$1500.

Gladstone Kart Club

Unfortunately the club will not be able to resurface the track for the 2012 Queensland State Titles. The Officials for the State Titles will need to be discussed and the club will be able to report on the process of the track and officials by Christmas.

Toowoomba Kart Club

That the Policy on which club can conduct a race meeting (in particular zones) be changed to the location of the meetings not the location of the clubs.

Motion: That the policy on clash of race meetings be changed to focus on the track zones rather than the club zones.

Moved: Toowoomba

Seconded: Townsville

For: Cairns, Cooloola Coast, Townsville, Towers, Mackay, Ipswich, Warwick, Gladstone, Rockhampton, Toowoomba

Against: Nil

Abstain: Mt Isa

Motion carried

The need to change of the financial year from July to June to January to December was discussed and further information is required as this will constitute a Constitution change.

Gold Coast Kart Club

The club thanked the delegates, Tom and John Lane for assisting in the club gaining their voting rights and the club looked forward to having a great working relation with the new Management.

President thanked everyone for their contribution and the meeting was declared closed at 2.35pm

NOTICE OF MEETING

The next SKC meeting will be held at Townsville (venue to be finalised) starting at 12pm on 18 February 2012, concluding on 19 February 2012.