



DKA NEWSLETTER FEB 2010



DKA Member Brodie Green – Winner of the 2009 WA Rookie Title.

Dear Fellow Karters

I would like to welcome you all to the 2010 season and hope that your festive season was as enjoyable as mine.

To our new members, I welcome you and your families and I look forward to catching up with you soon.

Having said that, unfortunately I have work commitments in SA for the first part of the season, but will endeavour to be trackside as often as time permits. Steve Green will be filling my shoes and with the support of a very energetic committee, I can rest easy that the club is in good hands

My son Jake and Royce Nott, who is working with me, will compete in local club meetings in SA and will no doubt fly the Territory flag well.

As time draws closer to the start of the season and you get the urge to dust off the kart and go for a spin, I remind all members that the complex does require some additional care and maintenance during the wet season. So if have a spare moment, give the committee a call and ask what you can do to help. A working bee is planned for Sunday 14 March 2010.

Good luck for the start of the season and remember the committee and AKA officials are volunteers who provide you with an opportunity to enjoy this form of motorsport, please offer them your support and assistance throughout 2010.

Regards.

Greg Meyer
President



Shopping Centre Displays

DKA has organised to hold 2 shopping centre displays in the coming weeks.

Palmerston Shopping Centre on Saturday morning 6th Feb.

Karama Shopping Centre on Saturday morning 13th Feb.

If successful, DKA will approach Casuarina square for a similar display before the season starts. So if you would like to assist, please give Kelly Fullwood or Natasha Smith a call.

Come and Try Day

DKA's come and try day last year was very successful, resulting in at least 6 new junior members for 2010. DKA has scheduled a "Come and Try Day" for Saturday the 21st February. As with last year, advance registrations are required and a notice regarding the same will be published in the NT News in the days leading up to the event.

For this to be as successful as last year, it's important that we have a good number of karts for each class and ask all DKA members to offer karts and assistance on the day. Please give Steve Green a call (89271233) if you are able to assist.

Track Upgrade

At a recent MotorsportNT meeting, Sport and DIPE representatives advised that the re-surfacing of the DKA track has been deferred until September 2010. The deferral was necessary to coincide with work being conducted on the black track. The deferral actually favours DKA, as the original April timeframe would've impacted on early club events. In addition, if we experienced any delays in April, then it's possible our NT Title could've been cancelled or deferred.

National Title 2012

Timmy Driscoll has volunteered to coordinate all DKA's requirements to host the National Title in 2012. A committee is being formed and Tim is seeking a group of energetic people to assist him in his endeavours. Call Timmy D on 0418571277 to register your interest.

TAG Class for 2010

The committee is pleased to advise all 125's drivers that DKA will run a TAG class in accordance with AKA rule book in 2010. During the off season AKA amended TAG rules allowing all 125 competitors to compete using MG Red tyres. The committee look forward to an increase in 125 numbers in 2010.

Tech Corner

The purpose of this segment is to give new (and some old) members some good tips on karting and kart setup. So I encourage all experienced karters to offer tips for future editions.

This month's tip – Fuel filters should be positioned vertically below the carburetor and not lay horizontal on the frame. This will eliminate air build up in the filter and reduce any potential fuel surging.

Social Officer

Our newly appointed Social Officer, Natasha Smith, has a number of social initiatives planned for DKA in 2010. Meat tray raffles are one initiative, so make sure you grab your tickets from the canteen or by catching up with Natasha in and around the pit area.

General Information

In past years, DKA has purchased a large quantity of AKA rule books at the start of each season and is often left with a large number of unsold copies at the end of the season, which are binned.

Going forward, DKA will purchase approximately 10 copies for use or sale and encourage all members to download a free copy from the AKA website. Hard copies will be available in the clubhouse to assist with any racing incidents etc.

The Club is looking at recording race and lap records in each class from 2010.



From the Bar

Travelling with the Green's to Karratha last year, Jason Timm was reminded to wind back his watch one and half hours as they crossed over the WA boarder around lunchtime on Friday. Jason asked if it was still the same day.

Gearing up for Karratha, Brent Nott left himself a note on the fridge listing important items not to be forgotten. Items such as, Jacqui's credit card, spare motor, wallet, stubby cooler, esky, beer and hair gel. A few days later Royce added his name.

If you have a funny story, let Kelly know.

Drivers Profile

Name: Bryce Fullwood
 Age: 11
 Classes: Midget/Rookie
 Brand of kart: Kosmic
 Racing No: 16
 How long karting: 18months
 Most respected competitor: Kale Quinlan
 Favourite driver: Garth Tander
 Career highlights: Nearly winning NT & WA State Titles
 Driving ambitions: V8 Supercars
 Favourite food: Ravioli
 Favourite drink: Lift
 Other comments: Thank you to mum & dad

Membership Guide

The Members Guide had been updated to reflect race rules and point score system for 2010. I encourage all new (and old) members to have a read, as it provides valuable information about our club, how we operate on race days and general do's and don'ts.

Track use after hours

DKA Committee remind all members that our facility is not a public facility and that track use is restricted to club members who hold a current AKA licence and whose kart and racing apparel complies with all AKA rules.

Working Bee

A working bee is planned for Sunday the 14th March 2010. I encourage all members to come down and assist the regulars and rumour has it a BBQ brekkie will be provided. Thanks Tash.

Equipment needed

- Ride on mowers
- Whipper snippers
- Metal/plastic rakes
- Shovels
- Blowers
- Box trailer.
- Chainsaw. (no Tim)

Working bee activities will be listed on the DKA notice board prior to the day.



Steve Green will be available trackside on the morning of Round one (Sat 27th March) between 8 – 10 am to offer advice to new members about what to do on race day.

- Nomination and scrutineering process.
- Carby session, time trial, how to form up.
- Flags and what they mean.
- Where to pit etc.



For Sale

AX9 Midget Rookie Kart, won 2009 WA Title, as new (18 months old) with new blue printed John Lord Racing engine. \$4500. Contact Brodie on 8927 1233

AX9 Junior Kart, won DKA closed title 2008, as new (18 months old) with new blue printed John Lord Racing engine. \$4500. Mycrone 3 steering wheel extra. Contact Stevie-rae on 8927 1233.

Rookie / Junior TopKart in excellent condition with blue printed JK Tuning race winning engine. \$2500. Contact Brodie on 8927 1233

One slightly overweight middle aged male with far too many unsold CRG go-karts. Comes with own recycle bin and I'll even throw in a large box of ear plugs (you'll need'em). Contact wife on 89323041 for immediate delivery, no half reasonable offers will be refused.

Junior CRG, approx 2005 model but with minimal racing time, Yamaha J motor with clutch, tyres only 1 meet old, ready to race. \$2200. Please contact Saint 8947 1071

Midget/Rookie XP5 Tony Kart, Approx 2008 with blue printed Comer Engine, competitive kart, race ready. \$3800. Please contact Brad 0418 893585 or brad@nteg.com.au

Clubman Light/Heavy PCR Jaguar 30mm kart, 2005, Yamaha kt100s Engine, complete kart ready to race. \$2000. Contact Brent Nott on 0407 410 200 or nott5@bigpond.com

Junior PCR 2007, rolling chassis only. \$1500. Please contact Wayne on 0418 689 105

If you have any sale items for publication, please give Kelly a call on 0417827234

For all your Karting, Accessories and Spare Part Requirements

Darwin Karts & Parts
2/11 Bombing Road,
Winnellie Ph: 8947 1770

Top End Karts & Parts
1/45 Toupein Road,
Yarrowonga Ph: 0407 188 055



Race Calendar

The complete 2010 Race Calendar is available on the DKA website www.dka.org.au and a copy has been placed on the DKA noticeboard. (Please do not remove)

The below table shows calendar events to 30th April 2010.

Month	Event	Comments
Feb 7 Sunday	DKA Club Day	
Feb 15 Monday	DKA Committee Meeting	
Feb 19 Friday	Night Practice	
Feb 21 Sunday	DKA Club Day	
Mar 7 Sunday	DKA Club Day	
Mar 14 Sunday	Working Bee	
Mar 15 Monday	DKA Committee Meeting	
Mar 16 Tuesday	AKA Committee Meeting	
Mar 19 Friday	Night Practice	
Mar 21	Sign on day	
Mar 27 Saturday	Championship Round One	Evening Track 3
Apr 16 Friday	Night Practice	
April 17 Saturday	Championship Round Two	Evening
Apr 19 Monday	DKA Committee	
May 8 Saturday	Championship Round Three	Evening

DKA Committee Members

President	Greg Meyer	0418893484
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