
KARTING WA INCORPORATED

56th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

MINUTES OF THE STATE KARTING COUNCIL OF
KARTING WA INCORPORATED
HELD AT ASSURED ASCOT QUAYS, ASCOT
SATURDAY 21st OCTOBER 2017

KARTING WA COMMITTEE

Alan Waddingham	:	Vice President
Michelle Lino	:	Secretary
Sandra Walker	:	Treasurer
Peter Arscott	:	Track Inspector
Hanz Barth	:	Technical Officer
John Wishart	:	Officials Co-Ordinator

SKC DELEGATES

Greg Riedyk	:	Albany City Kart Club
Greg Pearson	:	Albany City Kart Club
Mick Kenny	:	Bunbury City Kart Club
Tammy Flynn	:	Bunbury City Kart Club
Rosalie Gough	:	Eastern Goldfields Kart Club
Courtney Gough	:	Eastern Goldfields Kart Club
Delcia Hubble	:	Esperance Kart Club
Jason Allen	:	Esperance Kart Club
Anthony Hull	:	Hedland Kart Club
Gavin Kennedy	:	Hurricane Kart Club
Robbie Bertram	:	Hurricane Kart Club
Robin Smith	:	Impala Kart Club
Sam Smith	:	Impala Kart Club
Shannon Drew	:	Karratha Kart Club
Karen Campbell	:	Karratha Kart Club
Glenn Passmore	:	Exmouth Kart Club
Louise Davis	:	Midwest Kart Club
Steve Davis	:	Midwest Kart Club
Anthony Perrella	:	Lake King Kart Club
Peter Allen	:	Lake King Kart Club
Roy Tester	:	Tiger Kart Club
Yasmin Mitchell	:	Tiger Kart Club
David Clarke	:	SuperKartClub WA
Mike Sully	:	SuperKartClub WA

OBSERVERS	:	T Ellis, J Brennan, I Zloich, D Barth
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The **CHAIRMAN, Mr Alan Waddingham** opened the meeting at 8.30am and welcomed all Delegates and Observers to the meeting.

- 01/17 **MINUTE PROCEDURE**
MOVED : BUNBURY
Accept the digital recorder as an official recording for the purpose of minute taking by the minute secretary.
SECONDED : TIGER
VOTING : FOR : Hurricane, Exmouth, Karratha, Esperance, Midwest, Bunbury, Eastern Goldfields, Tiger, Albany, Lake King, Hedland, SuperKartClubWA
MOTION CARRIED
- 02/17 **APOLOGIES**
Gary Light – State President
- 03/17 **ACCEPTANCE OF PROXY**
Nil
- 04/17 **ACCEPTANCE OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**
MOVED : KARRATHA
Minutes from the State Karting Council Annual General Meeting held on 22nd October 2016 be accepted.
SECONDED : MIDWEST
VOTING : FOR : Hurricane, Exmouth, Karratha, Esperance, Midwest, Bunbury, Eastern Goldfields, Tiger, Albany, Lake King, Hedland, SuperKartClubWA
MOTION CARRIED
- 05/17 **BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**
Letter read regarding TFD from Ian Simpson.
- 06/17 **REPORTS**
MOVED : EASTERN GOLDFIELDS
1. **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**
Report read by Chairman.
2. **TREASURER'S REPORT**
Report tabled.

SECONDED : MIDWEST

3. **STATE TRACK INSPECTOR REPORT**

Report tabled.

VOTING : FOR : Hurricane, Exmouth, Karratha, Esperance, Midwest, Bunbury, Eastern Goldfields, Tiger, Albany, Lake King, Hedland, SuperKartClubWA

MOTION CARRIED

07/17

CORRESPONDENCE

MOVED: KARRATHA to accept the correspondence

1. Letter from Management Committee to accept the nomination for Gary Light as State President in his absence.

SECONDED: MIDWEST

VOTING : FOR : Hurricane, Exmouth, Karratha, Esperance, Midwest, Bunbury, Eastern Goldfields, Tiger, Albany, Lake King, Hedland, SuperKartClubWA

MOTION CARRIED

08/17

MOTION MOVED: ESPERANCE that as there are no contested positions, the SKC re-elect the current Committee.

SECONDED : HEDLAND

VOTING : FOR : Hurricane, Exmouth, Karratha, Esperance, Midwest, Bunbury, Eastern Goldfields, Tiger, Albany, Lake King, Hedland, SuperKartClubWA

MOTION CARRIED

POSITION: *PRESIDENT*

MR GARY LIGHT elected President, Karting WA

POSITION: *VICE PRESIDENT*

MR ALAN WADDINGHAM elected Vice President, Karting WA

POSITION: *SECRETARY*

MRS MICHELLE LINO elected Secretary, Karting WA

POSITION: *TECHNICAL ADVISER*

MR HANZ BARTH elected Technical Advisor, Karting WA

POSITION: *OFFICIALS CO-ORDINATOR*

MR JOHN WISHART elected Officials Co-ordinator, Karting WA

POSITION: TRACK SAFETY OFFICER

MR PETER ARSCOTT elected Track Safety Officer, Karting WA

09/17

AGENDA ITEMS

(a) **HURRICANE GO KART CLUB**

MOVED : HURRICANE

STATE CHAMPIONSHIP CLASSES 2018:

Hurricane Go Kart Club propose that KA3 Heavy is removed from the State Championship for 2018 and permission is sort from KA to allow TaG 125 Restricted Combined to be offered.

Reason:

KA3 Heavy (old Super Heavy class) is rarely offered at most meetings across the State and when it is offered the numbers competing are low. TaG 125 Restricted classes run at all meetings with strong numbers of the last several years. (Running as a Combined class allows the State to stay within the maximum 12 classes for a State Championships).

SECONDED : TIGER

VOTING : FOR : Hurricane, Albany, Tiger

VOTING : AGAINST : Esperance, Eastern Goldfield, Karratha, Hedland, SuperKartClubWA, Lake King, Exmouth, Midwest, Bunbury

MOTION LOST

(b) **BUNBURY CITY KART CLUB**

MOVED : BUNBURY

STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TIMETABLE 2018:

Bunbury City Kart Club wish to seek approval from the SKC and then KA to run the 2018 State Championships under lights with the following timetable (approximate times only):

Saturday: 9am to 8pm - Practice

Sunday: 8am to 11am – 2x Timed Practice

12pm to 3pm – Qualifying

3pm to 8/8.30pm – Heats

Monday: Completion of Heats and Finals

Reason:

Allow more practice time on the Friday for all drivers and try something a little different with night racing.

SECONDED : LAKE KING

VOTING : FOR : Exmouth, Karratha, Albany, Lake King, Tiger, Hurricane, Esperance, Bunbury, Midwest, SuperKartClubWA, Eastern Goldfields, Hedland

MOTION CARRIED

(c) **BUNBURY CITY KART CLUB**

MOVED : BUNBURY

STATE CHAMPIONSHIP DATES 2018:

Bunbury City Kart Club wish to seek approval from the SKC and then KA to run the 2018 State Championships on the following dates: Saturday 22nd September 2018 up to and including Monday 24th September 2018.

Reason:

Below are the reasons for this submission:

1. Try something to change up the event, but still give the same amount of racing.
2. Utilise the long weekend available to WA people and not conflict with other events on the following weekend (ie AFL grand final).
3. For those with children, allow competitors to utilise the entire school holidays – after racing the first weekend, they have the entire 2 weeks following to explore the South West or travel elsewhere.
4. Having practice and qualifying on the Saturday reduces impact on interference with school programs.
5. Allow more practice time on the Friday for all drivers and try something a little difference with night racing.

SECONDED : LAKE KING

VOTING : FOR : Exmouth, Karratha, Albany, Lake King, Hurricane, Esperance, Bunbury, SuperKartClubWA, Hedland

VOTING : AGAINST : Eastern Goldfield, Tiger, Midwest

MOTION CARRIED

(d) **BUNBURY CITY KART CLUB**

ITEM WITHDRAWN

2018 CALENDAR:

Bunbury City Kart Club proposes that the 2018 calendar be set based on Series rounds and Stand-alone events and then each club can schedule in their own clubdays around the calendar to suit their needs/availability.

Reason:

Below are the reasons for this submission:

1. Help encourage bigger numbers at club events for all clubs, which in turn helps support the club (eg bigger canteen sales and more income from nominations).
2. Allow those competitors that wish to race more often the chance to do so if clubs have their clubruns on alternative weekends.
3. Allow smaller clubs to run more events (eg Lake King and northern clubs) as more chance of higher competitor numbers.

(e) **BUNBURY CITY KART CLUB**

MOVED : BUNBURY

RED/BLUE DIAGONAL FLAG:

Bunbury City Kart Club proposes the removal of the red/blue diagonal flag from use in all 2018 WA competition.

Reason:

Below are the reasons for this submission:

1. *The use of this flag has generally created more issues during competition affecting the overall result of a race more than the non-use of the flag.*
2. *Karting appears to be the ONLY motorsport that uses such a flag. Formula 1 has cars lapped numerous times in some situations and those drivers are not removed from the race.*
3. *We need to promote the sport and encourage drivers to improve their racing – use of this flag discourages this (especially cadets and juniors).*

SECONDED : KARRATHA

VOTING : FOR : Albany, Karratha, Lake King, Bunbury, SuperKartCubWA

VOTING : AGAINST : Exmouth, Tiger, Hurricane, Esperance, Midwest, Hedland, Eastern Goldfields

MOTION LOST

(f) **BUNBURY CITY KART CLUB**

ITEM WITHDRAWN

TaG 125 Restricted Classes:

Bunbury City Kart Club propose that the Restricted classes be club day classes only.

Reason:

Below are the reasons for this submission:

1. The class was designed to be a development class for beginners before moving into Open 125 classes – it was never designed to be an Open event class.
2. It will help build bigger class numbers by reducing the number of classes available to enter in Open events:
 - give the drivers more value for money (more laps or even an extra race per event).
 - improve the excitement of racing with bigger racing class numbers.
3. There are other class options such as the KA3 senior class for those not wanting to enter a beginner group and then move classes once off P's.
4. Will stop the experience drivers staying back in a class against beginners.

(g) **ESPERANCE KART KLUB**
MOVED : ESPERANCE
CADET 9 AND 12:

Esperance Kart Klub propose that if there is no change in the cadet tyres by KA to a harder compound which is more durable and cost effective that Karting WA include for all race meetings held within Western Australia Sportsman Cadet 9 and Sportsman Cadet 12 to allow for a difference tyre to be run.

Reason:

The current tyre is too fast for cadets with lap times similar to some senior classes. Shorter braking distances and higher cornering speeds lead to more serious accidents. Softer tyres tend to grip up, rather than slide which can also change an accident from a simple spin to a flip. Feedback from members is that the cost of the tyres is the main reason they are not practicing as much and one of the biggest restrictions to them entering more competitions.

SECONDED : KARRATHA

MOTION moved by ESPERANCE to change the above to instead adding a rule to the State Regulations, General Regulations, Technical - that a harder compound tyre within WA.

SECONDED: KARRATHA

VOTING : FOR : Exmouth, Karratha, Hedland, Albany, Lake King, Tiger, Hurricane, Esperance, Bunbury, Midwest, SuperKartClubWA, Eastern Goldfields

MOTION CARRIED

(h) **ESPERANCE KART KLUB**

MOVED : ESPERANCE

CADET 12:

Esperance Kart Klub propose that if the above Sportsman Cadet 12 class is approved, this class should be divided into Light and Heavy weight divisions.

Reason:

Heavier drivers in Cadet 12 are penalised for being overweight, with no option of moving classes until the Year of their 12th birthday. Children develop at different rates and the current arrangement is restricted and unfair to larger children. Several of our members have 2 years left of Cadet 12 before being able to change to a more appropriate class weight.

SECONDED :

MOTION LAPSED

(i) **ESPERANCE KART KLUB**

MOVED : ESPERANCE

DROP DOWN/PUSH BACK BUMPERS:

Esperance Kart Klub propose the above mentioned bumpers are introduced at open meetings.

Reason:

From anecdotal evidence it seems a reasonably cheap and effective method of improving driver standards.

SECONDED : LAKE KING

VOTING : FOR : Lake King, Bunbury

VOTING : AGAINST : Exmouth, Karratha, Albany, Tiger, Hurricane, Esperance, Midwest, SuperKartClubWA, Hedland

MOTION LOST

(j) **ESPERANCE KART KLUB**

ITEM WITHDRAWN

SPORTSMAN KA3 CLASSES:

Esperance Kart Klub propose that if there is no change at KA level to a harder compound tyre, Karting WA move to run the DFH rather than the DFM in their Sportsman KA3 classes for 2018.

Reason:

KA3 classes are supposed to be for beginners and people who want fun affordable racing. Shorter braking distances and higher cornering speeds lead to larger accidents. Feedback from members is that the cost of the tyres is the main reason they are not practicing as much and one of the biggest restrictions to them entering more competitions.

(k) **MIDWEST KART CLUB**
ITEM WITHDRAWN

SPORTSMAN CLASSES:

Cadet 9, Cadet 12, all KA4 and all KA3 classes to be changed to Sportsman classes to allow for a change of tyre to a harder compound. All race meetings within WA to run the Sportsman classes with the exception of the WA State Championships which would run as per the KA Manual.

Reason:

The cost of karting would be brought down by having a more durable tyre which allows more practice and race time. Also increases safety as the speeds will decrease.

10/17

BUDGET AND FINANCIALS

MOVED : MIDWEST

- (a) *That Success Tax Professionals be appointed Auditor for 2018.*

SECONDED : LAKE KING

VOTING : FOR : Hurricane, Bunbury, Albany, Eastern Goldfields, Esperance, Midwest, Karratha, Exmouth, Tiger, Lake King, SuperKartClubWA, Hedland

MOTION CARRIED

MOVED : BUNBURY

- (b) *That the Budget be approved.*

SECONDED : HURRICANE

VOTING : FOR : Hurricane, Bunbury, Albany, Eastern Goldfields, Esperance, Midwest, Karratha, Exmouth, Tiger, Lake King, SuperKartClubWA, Hedland

MOTION CARRIED

11/17

MOVED: EASTERN GOLDFIELDS to accept the 2018 State General Regulations.

SECONDED : ALBANY

VOTING : FOR : Hurricane, Bunbury, Albany, Eastern Goldfields, Esperance, Midwest, Hedland, Karratha, Exmouth, Tiger, Lake King, SuperKartClubWA

MOTION CARRIED

MOVED: ALBANY to accept the 2018 State Regulations relating to WA Open Performance, Sportsman KA3 Class, State Series and Club Competition.

SECONDED : MIDWEST

VOTING : FOR : Hurricane, Bunbury, Albany, Eastern Goldfields, Esperance, Midwest, Hedland, Karratha, Exmouth, Tiger, Lake King, SuperKartClubWA
MOTION CARRIED

12/17 **MOVED: BUNBURY** to accept the 2018 State Rules Relating to the State Series (Northern Zone, Western Cup, South Eastern Zone).

SECONDED : KARRATHA

VOTING : FOR : Hurricane, Bunbury, Albany, Eastern Goldfields, Esperance, Midwest, Hedland, Karratha, Exmouth, Tiger, Lake King, SuperKartClubWA
MOTION CARRIED

13/17 **RACE FORMAT FOR 2018 STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS**

MOVED : BUNBURY

- (a) Date: 22nd, 23rd and 24th September 2018 (Sat to Mon)
- (b) Host: Bunbury City Kart Club Inc
- (c) Entry Fee: \$185
- (d) Method of Racing:
 - 1 x 8 minute qualifying
 - Oversubscribed classes Repercharge
 - Heat 1 (grid as per qualifying times)
 - Heat 2 (grid as per qualifying times)
 - Heat 3 (grid is combined total of points from Heat 1 and 2)
 - Final (grid is finishing order of Heat 3)
 - Final Only Counts for Win.
- (e) 12 Classes are: Cadet 9, Cadet 12, TAG 125 Light, TAG 125 Heavy, KA4 Junior Light, KA3 Junior, KA3 Senior Light, KA3 Senior Heavy, KA3 Senior Medium, KA4 Junior Heavy, WA Open Performance and TaG 125 Restricted Masters
- (f) Tyre Pooling will be offered.

MOVED by **BUNBURY** to include TaG Restricted 125 Masters in place Senior KA3 Masters

SECONDED: HURRICANE

VOTING FOR: Eastern Goldfields, Esperance, Albany, Bunbury, Exmouth, Tiger, Hurricane, Karratha, Lake King, Hedland

VOTING AGAINST: Midwest, SuperKartClubWA

MOTION CARRIED

SECONDED : EXMOUTH

VOTING : FOR : Eastern Goldfields, Esperance, Albany, Bunbury, Exmouth, Midwest, Tiger, Hurricane, Karratha, Lake King, SuperKartClubWA, Hedland

MOTION CARRIED

14/17

2019 STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Submission from Esperance Kart Klub to host the 2019 State Championships.

MOVED : ESPERANCE

SECONDED : EASTERN GOLDFIELDS

VOTING : FOR : Eastern Goldfields, Esperance, Albany, Bunbury, Exmouth, Midwest, Tiger, Hurricane, Karratha, Lake King, SuperKartClubWA, Hedland

MOTION CARRIED – EKK awarded 2019 State Championships

15/17

MOVED: EXMOUTH

2018 STATE CALENDAR be finalised as per attachment to minutes

SECONDED : ALBANY

VOTING : FOR : Hurricane, Exmouth, Karratha, Esperance, Midwest, Bunbury, Eastern Goldfields, Albany, Lake King, SuperKartClubWA, Hedland, Tiger

MOTION CARRIED

16/17

DISCUSSION ITEMS

(a) **ESPERANCE KART KLUB**

Discussion Item:

Respectfully suggest/request that metropolitan clubs should offer KA3 Heavy as a class in their open events. In 2016 there were 20+ entries at the State Championships. There are 10+ entries at the South Eastern Zone Rounds. The class isn't offered anywhere else other than the South Eastern Zone.

(b) **ESPERANCE KART KLUB**

Discussion Item:

How can clubs help to increase the standards of stewarding in Western Australia? Most common complaints from drivers are lack of consistency in decisions between areas/clubs and officials 'not seeing' incidents on track.

(c) **TIGER KART CLUB**

PUSH BACK BUMPERS:

The potential introduction of "push back bumpers (nose cones)" at all competition levels in 2018: following discussion at Tiger Kart Club 2017 Half Yearly Meeting, we wish to raise a discussion with the SKC about this, and achieve an agreement on how we as a State might vary any implementation of the regulations if they are introduced next

year. eg. Not using them at Club level; maybe using them in conjunction with a small brake light fitted to the rear of the kart to stop "brake checking", etc.

(d) **TIGER KART CLUB**

CLOSE OF ENTRIES AND LATE ENTRIES AT STATE SERIES AND ZONAL COMPETITION MEETINGS:

With the following considerations:

- a) having a cut off date for cancelling any classes which have not reached minimum entries
- b) having a final close of entries date on Supp Regs, which is not subject to being extended
- c) applying a late entry fee

(e) **TIGER KART CLUB**

OVER 40's RESTRICTED 125 STATE CLASS:

Over 40 state class to include 125 restricted engines at appropriate weights. Should these be determined, with the suggestion of combined 125 restricted @ 172 kg with discussion on the Rotax Evo (increased weight) and KA100 (less weight md do we even want to allow these in this category)? Maybe in conjunction with any feedback from the North West with their weights. Perhaps with an increased restrictor size for the heavier competitor (Note that this was asked for last year and met with no response that TKC is aware of).

(f) **TIGER KART CLUB**

TaG 125 RESTRICTED CLASSES:

(Light and Medium) or combined weight to be eligible for WA State Championships in lieu of smaller volume classes.

(g) **TIGER KART CLUB**

DRUG AND ALCOHOL TESTING:

Should this be introduced on a random basis for both competitors and officials – especially on Day 2 of a 2 day event?

(h) **SUPERKARTCLUBWA**

REAR BUMPER BARS:

Discuss allowing the KT100J engines to be exempt from having to run the rear bumper bars that are currently required, in an attempt to encourage karters back to the sport with pre 2015 equipment (cost

savings to those karters).

MOVED : SUPERKARTCUB that the alternative rear bumpers prior to the black plastic bumpers be optional for J Engines only.

SECONDED: HEDLAND

VOTING FOR : Eastern Goldfields, Esperance, Albany, Bunbury, Exmouth, Midwest, Tiger, Hurricane, Karratha, Lake King, SuperKartClubWA, Hedland

MOTION CARRIED

Albany City Kart Club gave a brief report on their State Championships.

The CHAIRMAN thanked all Delegates for attending and declared the meeting closed at 12.05pm.