



🏠 Location: CKRC Club House

📅 Date: 4th September 2024

🕒 Time: 1800-1900

Canberra Kart Racing Club Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Attendees: Bob Harnas (P), Brett Staples (ML), Brian Gahan (S), Tahn Eather (VP), Robin Mules (FO)

Apologies: NIL

Meeting opened at 1808.

The previous Executive committee meeting minutes (20240731_CM_Minutes) were read out and accepted. These minutes have already been published to the CKRC website.

P – Opened the meeting and thanked attendees for coming out to the club house for the committee and general meetings.

P – Noted that we'd put out an official call for a new Race Director and received one person that was interested. Once they were advised that it was a non-paying position, they dis-engaged. Comments were made by the entire committee that it is a shame that there isn't more engagement from the members to assist with the running of the club. P is reluctant to advertise wider (Facebook) given the toxic and unnecessary nature of some of the commentary and conversation that ensues. P will take on the role of Race Director with assistance from the rest of the committee. This position can be challenging for a new inductee especially if they don't have background/understanding of how karting works.

FO – Commented that perhaps the club needs to look at implementing a mandatory volunteering process – P commented that this had been tried – and failed. It is 100% the reason behind the mandatory maintenance levy within a membership fee given the number of sub-par attended working bees.

P – Thanked (in his absence) and on behalf of the committee, our outgoing Promotions Manager. P will speak with his daughter to see if she will cover this role off. P will work with our suppliers on the next round's trophies.

P – Last race meet (Round 4 – September) was good. Meeting was run in the reverse direction with almost no incidents. Meeting was well attended with 101 entrants. Meeting ran with 9 classes. It was noted that the start light needs to be moved slightly wider (i.e. to the right on approach) to make it more visible to racers. P and ML to review and make adjustments where necessary.

During last the last round – P walked around engaging with attendees and socialised a potential change in race format for the next round. Feedback received was positive. Therefore, the next round – Round 5 in October – will be run as follows:

- Carby/Qualifying – 6 mins
- Sprint Race – 6 laps
- Qualifying – 6min
- Feature Race – 20 laps (Novice/Rookie) and 24 laps (Junior/Senior)

Final placings will be determined by a “points overall” approach with an even points distribution for each portion of the race day.

S noted a number of corner exits that will need monitoring as people run wide and tear up the grass. ML and VP noted that some eggshell panelling will be installed to cover off this.

P – Noted that the additional fees for camping and larger pit spots worked well, although it is a little tricky to track (noted by FO) and enforce. It will be monitored for next race. It was noted that paying for a second pit spot does NOT entitle entrants to park their cars within the pit area. Any car parking, where space allows, will need to be above the line of the portable toilet. This should work well for the majority of club meets.

FO – Additional money, collected for camping and 2nd pit spots has been transferred to the maintenance account.

P – Attended the KNSW 2025 Calendar meeting on the 3rd September.

- A key feature of the 2025 calendar will be a combined NSW series, comprising the Northern, Metro and Southern regions. The NSW competition will be run across the 8 clubs, with entrants needing to compete in a minimum of 5 to qualify for placing in the series.
- A discrete Northern, Metro and Southern Series would remain, but are rolled up with the dot point above.
- Canberra Cup would remain a standalone event.
- ACT State Titles would remain a standalone event.

ML – Noted that the water tank had been repositioned (thanks to P, S and Levi Gibson Snr for their assistance).

ML – Ladies showers have been fixed – once the weather warms up – new doors will be painted and hung.

P – Sponsorship signage to be updated –

- Remove – Norris Cleaning
- Remove – PS&KS (from the tower)
- Add – 5th Gear Motoring (once collected)

VP – Walked the committee through the minor proposed changes to the ACT Model Constitution. The standard constitution seems quite applicable and should work “out of the box” with a number of minor updates. Action on the committee to review these changes with a view to proposed a motion to adopt the Modal Constitution at this year’s AGM.

S – Led discussion about the club’s web hosting and email platform. Go Hosting has been providing the club free webhosting for a number of years, but advised us earlier this year that this arrangement couldn’t continue. This was acknowledged by the committee. A motion was put forward by S to continue to utilise Go Hosting as the club’s website hosting and email provider and to pay the received invoice for 3 years hosting. This was seconded by P and VP. FO to pay the outstanding invoice of \$897.00.

P – The upcoming TEKA arrangements are proceeding. An invoice and track hire agreement have been issued. S to email through the Track Inspection paperwork that was emailed through to SEK advising of the bi-directional approval for the track.

P – Advised that the replacement DVR/NVR will be installed and configured by ASG soon. Once implemented, the network architecture at the track will be reviewed to see what changes would best suit the remote monitoring. S to work through the requirements after the work is completed.

ML – Advised that the HeyDay group, who were responsible for the redesign and implementation of the practice lights and electrical board, have only charged us for materials, with labour provided for free. In response, the club will pay for a sponsor sign and display this on the track. The club thanks the HeyDay group for their assistance.

P – Advised that with the recent SEK Track Hire, the canteen probably only just broke even. Even so, it will be a service that we continue to offer for Track Hires.

S – Replacement scales – At this stage, the club will continue with its standard scales for now for club meets, with the more precise scales to be used for ACT Titles and/or Canberra Cup meetings. Ramps will need to be designed to make them more accessible/easier to manage.

P – The club's Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held on the Saturday afternoon/evening of the Canberra Cup race meeting. This would be Saturday 9th November 2024 – time to be identified prior to the official announcement being made. FO advised to work with the Accountant and Auditors to ensure the clubs financials are prepared and available with the appropriate lead time prior to the AGM. FO advised "I'll get right on it".

FO – Provided the current club financials –

Maintenance - \$1,123.85, **Canteen** - \$7,742.26, **Track Account** - \$703.69, **Cash on Hand** - \$200, **General Account** - \$32,745.21, **Term Deposit** - \$100,000.00

Any Other Business

S - NTR

VP – NTR

FO – NTR

P – A reminder that if you see anything on the Internet (FB/Instagram) that goes against the CKRC Club membership principals, to take note of it, but do not respond. P noted that anything inappropriate that is posted to the CKRC FB page will be removed.

Closed at 1900 in preparation for the General Meeting.

Upcoming Meeting Schedule:

TBA October 2024 – Executive Committee Meeting

9th November 2024 – Annual General Meeting (AGM)