

Location: Virtual via Zoom

Date: 19th March 2025

Time: 1800-1900

Canberra Kart Racing Club Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Attendees: Bob Harnas (P), Karla House (ML), Brian Gahan (S), Tahn Eather (VP), Robin Mules (FO), Bec Love (Incoming-RD)

Apologies: NIL

Meeting opened at 1803.

The previous meeting minutes were from the Annual General Meeting (20241109_AGM_Minutes). They were read out and accepted. These minutes have already been published to the CKRC website.

- P Opened the meeting and thanked attendees for their ongoing engagement and assistance with the running of the club.
- P Recapped the race events that have been run since the last meeting:
 - Club Round 1 (98 entries) Good attendance and ran well. There was one injury in the TAG Restricted Heavy class, with the end result being a broken leg. The club had been in contact with the racer multiple times since to ensure they were recovering.
 - ACT Titles (105 entries) Attendance was a little below expectations, with a number of
 classes not making the minimum required to categorise as a State Title. The event was run on
 the Canberra Day long weekend this year (rather than Easter) and happened to coincide with
 the KA Victorian State Titles over the weekend, and KA Stars of Karting meet on the Monday. It
 was also the weekend prior to the AUS GP. The club had good support and engagement from
 KNSW with some minor feedback received for improvements. The committee is considering a
 way forward with this feedback with the aim to continue improving year upon year.
- P Track Extension Update P and MD of D-Group officially signed the Works Agreement contract between the CKRC and D-Group for the next stage of the track development. At its core, this includes the CKRC accepted clean fill (dirt) on its eastern side up to a specified amount, at which stage D-Group will complete the works required to realise the next stage of track development. This is an amazing achievement in the evolution of the club. P thanked James Ordish, Eddie Ruiz and Greg Jones of the track development committee for their outstanding efforts and commitment.
- P Provided the committee with an update on the Masters Games. P and S met with the event organisers to discuss the games, and how the CKRC might host a Karting event. The organisers have provided registration paperwork which has been completed in draft form, but we need a volunteer to continue to run with this and liaise with the Masters Games. ML has offered to assist. Initial thinking is to run two separate age groups **35-49**, and **50+** with 4SS, Senior Performance, TAG and TAG

Restricted as the event classes. The event would run Oct 26-28, with Free Practice on Thursday 26th, and racing on the Friday and Saturday (27th and 28th).

- P Welcomed Bec into the role of Race Director. As our chief time keeper over the past several years, and with karting prevalent in her family, she has good insight to the running of races. She has already drawn up an officials list for the remainder of the year and will work on developing upcoming Supp Regs for the upcoming race events. RD did flag of a potential upcoming issue for the August club round, whereby there is an endurance race at the same time and there were limited options for officials. P advised that he would touch base with KNSW if all options were exhausted.
- RD Rebecca proposed that the club work with Carers ACT, another NFP within the ACT, as a fundraising opportunity. Funds raised go directly to support carers. P expressed interest in promoting the fundraiser and suggested involving his daughter, who works in marketing and media, to help with promotion.
- P Suggested that next round is run in a similar format to the F1 style race last year. Including Qualifying, Sprint Race, Qualifying, Feature Race, with the winner decided on total accumulated points over the day. In the event of a tie with points, the person with the highest finishing place in the Feature race, would determine overall winner. The committee agreed, with the qualifying order determined by the race entry order. Action on S to send through the last Supp Regs to RD.
- S Walked the committee through the bills listed in the agenda. FO will address the outstanding bills, which include Mid City Motel, Trophy Link, AUSPOST PO Box, Reimbursement for the purchase of new antennas, and an outstanding refund.
- S Raised that the quote for the club insurance for 25/26 had risen by quite a lot. Our insurance broker had worked with a number of potential insurers, which many of them declining the risk to insure. That said, we need the insurance coverage to mitigate any loss to the club. It was proposed that we accept the quote provided. This was seconded by VP. FO to work with Transwest to complete the transaction.
- P Sought approval from the committee to move \$30,000 from the General business Account to the Online Saver account. We accrue a little more interest in that account and the club has sufficient operating capital within the General account after the move. Seconded by ML/VP/S.
- S Advised that on the Sunday of the ACT Titles, the club's website had changed. All content was missing and a few minor backend changes had been made. This initially presented as a hosting issue (content/database rollback), so S restored the site from a recent backup. A few days later, this happened again. There were a number of indicators suggesting that this was a malicious attempt (an attack) on our website. S identified a number of security improvements and implemented a number of safeguards against the attackers. There have been no issues since. S noted that if the club had to pay for this remediation work, the bill would've run into the several thousands of dollars.
- S Advised that the track direction would be changing after the next hire (TEKA $5^{th}/6^{th}$ April). We would work with our Maintenance Team to lock in a date and the block that off. The change needs to occur prior to the ERC meeting on the $3^{rd}/4^{th}$ May.
- FO Advised that TEKA have paid for their hire, with the ERC invoice still outstanding. Canteen will be required for the ERC meeting, but not for TEKA.
- FO raised the idea of including more of a float into the maintenance account. P advised that we don't need to. \$50 from each membership, along with all additional Pitting and Camping fees go into that account. If additional money is required, it'll be transferred in on an "as-needed" basis.
- FO To transfer money from the past races from Pitting/Camping with figures provided from S of \$1445 to the maintenance account.

FO – Provided the current club financials – Maintenance - \$59.07, Canteen - \$11,168, Track Account - \$23,223, Cash on Hand - \$200, General Account - \$61,093, Term Deposit - \$100,000.00

AOB:

P – Nothing further

VP – Nothing Further

S – Nothing Further

ML – Nothing further

FO - Nothing further.

Closed at 1855.

Upcoming Meeting Schedule:

TBA April 2025 - Executive Committee Meeting

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