



# Newsletter September

**Hi All,**

–Once again this coming weekend we are pleased to host the Queensland Vintage Kart Club at one of our scheduled club events- they bring a wealth of past equipment and information for the current day karters to observe, and reflect upon. Please make them welcome as they give us their demonstration activities during both Saturday and Sunday.

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During the month we also hosted the MotoStars training school for bikes and this will be a regular arrangement that assists to provide the club with an additional income stream to enhance our operations.

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The September Annual Carnival of Flowers Gold Cup takes place this weekend and all pre-race details have been put in place by our hardworking committee – the circuit looks in fine trim and the racing is expected to be of a great standard and a display of sportsmanship. Please contact Tom for pit space trailer parking to ensure adequate space available for all – Of course camping and hot showers are available and those who hook into the power source please ensure you contact Tom prior to connecting.

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Our 2018 Race Calendar has been reviewed by the Committee at its last meeting, and we have retained our 3rd weekend in the month format, are looking to conduct a series of events that will attract drivers and crew to our facility and we strive to continue with creating a family fun atmosphere at Toowoomba Kart Club.

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We expect a standard of behavior and that to be of a high standard – the Committee dealt with a couple of instances that occurred recently in relation to some member's inappropriate behavior, and have placed legal club sanctions on some members attendance at the facility , and this will be diligently and lawfully administered.

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Our **October 22nd** event is scheduled as the King & Queen South East Qld Championships, additional details on format and direction will be advised in the coming weeks. Our **November 19<sup>th</sup>** Double direct Race meeting will see the Qld Formula 100 Retro Karting Group attend, this will give our members and visitors an opportunity to see these high revving engines of yesteryear perform on our circuit. Discussions are underway to host a round of the RKA (Retro Karting Association) National Championships at Greer Park in 2018.

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*\*The committee is endeavoring to re-arrange the tyres in “matching” order in the coming months, this will be conducted through working bees’ notices, additional strapping to areas of high impact will be put in place. We will advise of the time and dates this will take place and ask that members assist when this project gets underway to prepare for the 2018 season, and in some cases satisfy the OCD problems some of our members have .....LOL*

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*The call to make use of the **Eventbrite** on line pre entry availability to draw the discount offered on your entry fees has started off slow, but once you register it will be a small task to get on board with pre entries for all our events, This will assist in the pre event administration of entry logging into the race control program- the link is attached below*

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/carnival-of-flowers-gold-cup-registration-37781754244>

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*We are also on the **Speedhive** website with results and individual data from your racing – you simply register on line, provide your transponder details, and you have a record of all your events that are uploaded in the one place, you can also catch our race day results by following the link below :*

<https://speedhive.mylaps.com/Organizations/334239>

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*You may have read about the “agreement” that KA “affiliated” clubs were subjected to last week in order to receive a “free” KA issued timing decoder to use when KA shut down the current CM:S race day management system for race meetings. It has created some robust discussion, and highlighted certain facts, in particular the requirement to sign a 10 year agreement and seek permission from KA to host other events on your circuit – luckily we are not involved, and from the conditions imposed, we certainly could not have put the club in such a position, as always when you are offered something for free – there is bound to be a catch..!!! **Caveat emptor !!***

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*There was also a disturbing statement from the KQ President recently stating that the TransX160 transponders are no longer any good and failing , rest assured that these transponders remain serviceable at tracks, and also tracks that operate the new X2 Decoders and will last forever –The TransX160 and TransX260 transponders are still active after 17 years of use and a new rechargeable battery can fitted to these units to ensure further usage – this service is available right here in Brisbane for a reasonable charge.*

*\*Details of our Annual General Meeting will be distributed after the weekend to formalize the constitutional requirements and some minor changes to the constitution for consideration in a Special Resolution, also, just a follow up reminder to assist us in race day administration for this weekend, those who intend to participate can notify us via the web page contact area or Eventbrite .*

*Best Wishes*

**Tom Kenneally**

**President**

**Toowoomba Kart Club Inc.**