



**Australian Karting Association (NSW) Inc
State Karting Council Meeting Agenda
Saturday 6th February 2010**

**Panthers World of Entertainment,
Mulgoa Road, Penrith
Commencing at 9.00am**

AKA NSW STATE KARTING COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

Item 1 - Confirmation of attendance, proxies and apologies

Motion: That the proxies, attendance and apologies be accepted.

Proxies

Carried By

Attendance

Apologies

Moved
Seconded
Voting
Motion

Item 2 - Acceptance of digital recorder

Motion: That the digital recorder is accepted to assist with recording the minutes.

Moved
Seconded
Voting
Motion

Item 3 - Open meeting to observers

Motion: That the meeting be open to observers except where it relates to legal matters.

Moved
Seconded
Voting
Motion

Item 4 - Confirmation Minutes

Item 4a - Confirmation of July 2009 AGM/SKC Minutes

Recommendation: That the minutes be accepted.

Moved
Seconded
Voting
Motion

Item 4b - Confirmation of October 2009 SKC Minutes

Recommendation: That the minutes be accepted.

Moved
Seconded
Voting
Motion

Item 4c – Previous Minutes

Any matters arising from July and October 2009 Minutes.

Item 5 - REPORTS

Item 5a – Acting President – Simon Whiting

Item 5b – Vice-President & NKC Delegate – Bob Gallagher

Item 5c - Treasurer – Max Laybutt

Item 5d – Metro Committee Member – Position Vacant

**Item 5e – Country Committee Member – Russell Grimson
Country Committee Member’s Assistant – Derek Ferry**

Item 5f – Industry Member – Chris Dell

**Item 5g – ACCC – Simon Whiting - Ian Simpson
Compliance Program**

Motion: Acceptance of all reports

Moved
Seconded
Voting
Motion

Item 6 – Agenda Items

Item 6a – Come and Try Trailer – Draft State Policy Carried over from July 2009 AGM

1. EACH club will have use of the come and try trailer for a period of 3 weeks. The club is then responsible for the promotion and advertising of their come and try days in their local area.

The club that is about to use the trailer needs to make arrangements with the club holding the trailer to collect it.

2. The club should have no more than 20 people per come and try day. By only having 20 people per day each person will be able to have more track time and the club will have more time to sell our product and increase their club membership.
3. In the past any repair bills for the trailer and karts have been paid for by AKA NSW with the help of some generous trade suppliers.

This situation is not fair for the clubs who do not use the trailer. Therefore a fee of \$20.00 per person per day will be charged and is payable to AKA NSW. This money will then be used for the up keep of the trailer and karts.

4. In the trailer there is a sign on sign off book so each time the trailer and karts are passed on to the next club, the club who has just finished with the equipment and the club is receiving the equipment will both sign the book indicating the equipment they are handing over or receiving is in good order and all there.

It is then the responsibility of each club to then post / fax or email the forms to the state office within 7 days.

5. If any breakages or damage does occur to any of the equipment it is the responsibility of the club in possession of the come and try trailer to immediately inform the state office of what parts are required so that they may be obtained and sent to the club so the parts may be fitted before the trailer leaves for the next club.
6. If any club does not follow the rules correctly a monetary fine or a suspension banning the use of the trailer for a period of time may apply.

This decision would be referred to the State Karting Council.

7. It is extremely important that the clubs realize the value of the come and try trailer to the growth of their clubs membership growth which in the future will determine a clubs survival.

Motion:

Moved
Seconded
Voting
Motion

Item 6b – Travel Expenses

Proposed by Lismore - Carried over from July 2009 SKC

That the AKA assist in travel for its members to attend SKC meetings based on a 100km ring of Sydney.

Motion:

Moved
Seconded
Voting
Motion

Item 6c – Sportsman Class

Proposed by Dubbo

At the recent Meeting of the Dubbo Kart Club Inc. it was determined to request the AKA (NSW) Inc., at the next SKC Meeting, to amend the “State Policy - Sportsman Class Rules” so that 125cc engines, including “Restricted” versions, can be utilised for this Class.

Motion:

Moved
Seconded
Voting
Motion

Item 6d – AKA NSW Chaplin – Draft State Policy

Carried over from October 2009 SKC

AKA (NSW) CHAPLIN

The role of the AKA (NSW) Chaplin is to offer support in the case of any incident at a race meeting resulting in injury or suffering to any participants (competitor or official) or to relatives of such.

Whilst it is not possible for the Chaplin to be at every race meeting, he will be available to all NSW Clubs (on request) should a need arise.

At all times the Chaplin will be sensitive to the religious beliefs and practices of those involved.

The Chaplin may recommend further professional help to those he is dealing with if and when he deems it appropriate. Of course, it is the decision of that person if he/she wants to proceed with such help.

When attending a race meeting the Chaplin is to inform the Chief Steward of his presence.

Motion:

Moved
Seconded
Voting
Motion

**Item 6e – 2010 Closed NSW State Championships
Proposed by Newcastle**

That the members of the NSW SKC consider a proposal by The Coffs Harbour Kart Racing Club, Manning Valley Kart Club and Newcastle Kart Racing Club to jointly host the 2010 NSW Closed State Championships to be held on the 23rd, 24th and 25th July 2010 at the Raleigh International Raceway.

Motion:

Moved
Seconded
Voting
Motion

**Item 6f – Reimbursement Policy on Delegates attending SKC Meetings
Proposed by Dubbo**

The Dubbo Kart Club, at a recent Club Meeting, determined to submit the following for discussion and determination at the next SKC Meeting.

That the AKA (NSW) Inc. have a Policy on the reimbursement to Member Clubs in respect to their Delegate's attendance at SKC meetings held at Penrith. No Club is to be reimbursed when represented at an SKC meeting by a Proxy.

Clubs to be reimbursed a token amount when they are represented by their Delegate (OR Alternate Delegate) at an SKC Meeting held at Penrith. These token amounts to be as follows and represent assistance to Clubs that are more than 100 kms from Penrith. These token amounts are determined by deducting 100 kms from the APPROXIMATE distance the Clubs are from Penrith and multiplying the result by 25 cents.

Canberra KRC - \$47.50.	Coffs Harbour KRC - \$112.50
Dubbo KC - \$77.50.	Forbes KC - \$72.50.
Goulburn KC - \$25.00.	Grafton SCC - \$132.50.
Grenfell KC - \$65.00.	Griffith KC - \$125.00.
Gunnedah KC - \$75.00.	Lismore KC - \$167.50.
Manning Valley KC - \$55.00.	Newcastle KRC - \$12.50.
Orange KRC - \$40.00.	Port Macquarie KRC - \$75.00.
Raleigh SKRC - \$107.50.	Sapphire Coast KC - \$82.50.
Tamworth KRC - \$77.50.	Ulladulla KC - \$32.50.
Wagga and District KRC - \$92.50.	

This Policy to take effect immediately and to be payable in respect to Delegate's attendance at the SKC Meeting on the 6th February, 2010.

Note that if all Clubs' Delegates are in attendance the total reimbursement amounts to \$1475.00.

Motion:

Moved
Seconded
Voting
Motion

**Item 6g – Change to 2010 Calendar
Proposed by Orange**

When Orange Kart Club applied for race dates for 2010, we inadvertently missed applying for a race date in August.

We now apply to have a race date on Sunday 22nd August 2010.

There are no race meetings set down for clubs within close proximity to us for this date.

We await your favorable reply.

Motion:

Moved
Seconded
Voting
Motion

Item 7 – Discussion Items

Item 7a – Club Membership

Carried over from October 2009 SKC

Discussion held on club membership being included in licence fees. The membership would then be remitted back to the clubs.

Reason: So the licence application can be done completely on line.

Each club to forward their membership structures to the State Office and Max will enter them on a spreadsheet which will be distributed to the clubs for their consideration of a common system.

Clubs to look at accepting that club membership is done in conjunction with licence renewals.

Item 7b – Steve King Presidential Policy Proposed by Newcastle Kart Racing Club

1. That the term of office for Executive positions be limited to two terms in that position (4 years).

Explanation: This will ensure that fresh ideas and new people will be afforded the opportunity to further the aims and objectives of the association.

2. All State Karting Council agenda items are to be displayed on the AKANSW website.

Explanation: This allows all karters to view the agenda items coming before the State Karting Council and attend their respective club meetings and give their input into that particular agenda item. This will result in more informed decisions being made by the State Karting Council.

3. Late agenda items at the State karting Council that are of significance will be referred back to the clubs for discussion and an electronic postal vote taken.

Explanation: This will allow the karter to give their views and input at their respective club meetings and will result in a more informed decision being made by the State Karting Council.

4. Executive members of the State Karting Council must stand down when elected to the Executive of the National Karting Council.

Explanation: This will remove any perceived conflict of interest between State and National and uphold the propriety of the respective offices.

5. The National Karting Council delegate must vote as directed by the State Karting Council and where no direction is given will supply a written report to the State Karting Council as to circumstances and the manner in which he voted.

Explanation: This will provide the State Karting Council and its member clubs with clear and concise information to take back to the karters and reduce the misinformation that can be spread.

6. The State Karting Council meetings are taken to the Southern, Northern and Metropolitan zones on rotation.

Explanation: This will assist the members clubs in cost of travel and spread this cost evenly across the whole of the membership. It will also give the members clubs the opportunity to bring observers from their respective clubs to see the policy/decision making process. This will assist in taking some of the mystery of the State Karting Council and will again result in a better decision making process.

7. The position of Country and Metropolitan delegate on the State Executive be co joined and have Executive North and Executive South.

Explanation: Currently the Country Delegate is responsible for 18 Clubs and the Metropolitan delegate is responsible for 6 clubs. By dividing the State into North and South this will result in the member clubs receiving a more efficient and effective representation. It allows the Executive members to visit clubs and give assistance.

8. That Race Permits be allowed to be transferred to other clubs.

Explanation: This will give those clubs who hand in permits the opportunity to receive a financial benefit.

9. When elected to the Executive of the State Karting Council, those Executive members must stand down from any Executive position at a club level.

Explanation: This will remove any perceived conflict of interest between State and the club, and uphold the propriety of the respective offices.

10. A review of the Race calendar be undertaken and race dates be allocated on a basis that is fair to all clubs.

Explanation: The calendar dates often clash to neighboring clubs and in some cases there are 3 to 5 meetings held on the same day with 2 to 3

hours travel of each other. The calendar needs to be drafted so as time and distance between the meetings is fair to all and offers the karter variety.

11. Executive meetings will be notified to all clubs and a point form bulletin of matters dealt with issued within 48 hours of the meeting.

Explanation: This will allow the clubs to have urgent matters heard and also by issuing a bulletin keep the clubs informed of decisions the Executive have made or are considering.

12. That the Executive and the Club Delegates of the State Karting Council formulate a 5 and 10 year plan for the future of karting in New South Wales.

Explanation: This plan will give much needed stability to karting and give the State Karting Council a blueprint to follow. This plan will assist in insuring the promotional and financial success of the AKA NSW.

13. That the State provide training to Club Executive members in various fields such as financial planning, meeting procedures, facilities management, etc.

Explanation: Training is available through the Department of Sport and Recreation and this will assist the clubs in managing assets and volunteers, resulting in stronger clubs.

14. That a Junior Development program be introduced, the position of Junior Development Coordinator be established.

Explanation: The Junior Development Coordinator will establish a club based program that will provide training and develop skills of young drivers.

15. All State Karting Council Executive members are to attend a minimum of 8 race meetings in a calendar year and be available to discuss matters on a personal or club basis.

Explanation: The Executive members attendance at race meetings will give them a clear insight into the problems faced by karters and clubs in the management of meetings and facilities. It also give the Karter face to face contact with the Executive to ask their questions.

16. That the executive attend on invitation, club meetings (where time and distance permit) to answer questions to Club meetings.

Explanation: This will give club members the opportunity to ask questions of the Executive. This will also encourage members to attend their respective club meetings to discuss issue's that affect them.

**Item 7c – Constitution
Proposed by Executive**

SKC to discuss the possibility of changing the following Executive Names:
Change Metro Member to Executive Member 1
Change Country Member to Executive Member 2

**Item 7d – Licence System and Transponders
Proposed by Executive**

**Item 7e – Discussion on any matters arising from the Executive reports
Proposed by Executive**

**Item 7f – Address by Richard Erdmann
Proposed by North Shore**

North Shore Kart Club committee is of the understanding that Mr Richard Erdmann is privy to matters of interest to the State Karting Council. Our understanding is that these matters have to do with Richard's recent resignation as President of AKA (NSW).

We believe these matters should be heard prior to any election of Officers at the Special General Meeting to be held on 6th February 2010.

Accordingly, we request that Mr Erdmann be invited to the Special General Meeting to inform the delegates of the matters of interest.

Item 8 – Late Agenda Items

**Item 8a – Patron of Karting
Carried over from October 2009 SKC**

At the last SKC and in recent conversations there are clubs and Karters that are asking "Why do we need this position" so as the delegates this appears to be the first of the areas to identify. I believe we need to appraise this position on the following points.

- 1, What will this position be required to do, that our Association does not already cover?
- 2, Where will the person in this position be requested to appear or attend and how often?
- 3, What do we see as the benefits to Karting, that the AKA could not achieve through other means?

4, What is the tenure of the person accepted into this position? 3yrs, 5yrs, life etc.

5, What will this position cost the Karter, annually & longer term? Based on answers the above questions.

I think we should attempt to answer these questions before the final one, the hardest question of Who?

Names already mentioned are Sir Jack Brabham, Alan Jones, Mark Webber, Mark Skaife, Neil Crompton, Brad Jones, Craig Lowndes, and just about any senior V8 driver. It just depends on whether the nominator is Blue or Red.

The one major criterion here would be previous or present Karting involvement, else how can they represent and comment on Karting.

What do you think?

All feedback welcome please.

Motion:

Moved
Seconded
Voting
Motion

**Item 8b – SKC Minutes
Proposed by Manning Valley Kart Racing Club**

Motion: That the SKC meeting minutes are to be circulated to Clubs and posted on the AKA(NSW) website within 30 days of any SKC meeting.

Moved
Seconded
Voting
Motion

**Item 8c – In Camera Meetings
Proposed by Manning Valley Kart Racing Club**

Motion: The only business to be conducted In Camera at SKC meeting should only be business relating to paid employee's of AKA(NSW) and matters in relation to contracts until the contracts are finalised, then full disclosure of the negotiation should be available to member Club's on request.

Moved
Seconded
Voting
Motion

**Item 8d – Change to 2010 Calendar
Proposed by Port Macquarie Kart Racing Club**

IKD have requested PMKRC to hold a round of the 2010 Pro Tour at PMKRC on the 31st April – 2nd May 2010. IKD have spent a lot of time looking at dates to make sure it doesn't clash with other clubs.

We are looking for your support.

Motion:

Moved
Seconded
Voting
Motion

Meeting Closed at