

KartSport New Zealand E-Line





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Mylaps X2 & Orbits 5 are Go



36 volunteer Race Control and senior Race Officials attended a Training Day run by My-Laps Australia personnel on 1 October. This followed agreement by all Clubs at the National Conference to proceed with a bulk purchase and finance deal organised by KartSport New Zealand. Every track in the country, including KartSport EBOP and KartSport Westland will soon have the new cloud based Orbits 5 software and X2 hardware up and running.

Already you can see the enhanced features on My-Laps' new **Speedhive** results pages and free live timing **Apps**, In future look for **special event/series Apps** which will enhance event management and enable sharing via various social media platforms. Also the development of **new real time features** is close.



Island Sprint Championships Confirmed



Both Island Sprint Championships will be contested over Labour Weekend (21-32 October). Each event will run 6 of 10 classes. It is clear that, despite increasing Competition Licence membership nationally, that by the time competitors get to this time of the year budgets and time have been largely consumed by the excess of other high profile events/series. The 2016 Event Calendar has not worked and this was recognised by Clubs at the 2016 National Conference.



For the 2017 the **Event Calendar**, especially for the North Island, has been eased with fewer Group E events and a better spread of these events though the year. However KartSport New Zealand is also looking at the Island Sprint Championships format with a view to making these events more compact, more affordable for competitors and more desirable for Clubs to host.

Its not too late to enter this year's Island events!

For South Islands [CLICK HERE](#)

For North Island [CLICK HERE](#)



More Rotax Updates

On 29 September BRP Rotax announced another round of updates for the Rotax Max engine. KartSport New Zealand has commenced a review of these updates in conjunction with the NZ distributor, Right Karts, to address this transition as best we can for our members.

KartSport New Zealand will make every effort to keep the best interests of our members to the fore, at the same time accepting that BRP Rotax makes unilateral changes to engine components and configurations based on requirements and introduction dates that suit their own performance, production and marketing activity.

As of now KartSport New Zealand will bring forward its planned review of future junior and senior classes engines. The inevitable decline in the aging Yamaha KT100 and possibility of its ceasing production add to the imperative to commence consideration of how best KartSport New Zealand future proofs, and provides stability to, class engine options for its junior and senior competitors, as a number of other ASN's around the world have done in recent years.

For more information [CLICK HERE](#)



SuperKart Class Review



Further to a proposal to change the National class rules in Rules Round 31, the Executive has decided to undertake a full review of all SuperKart classes with a view to ensuring future stability for competitors, up to date engine/class options and to review all relevant safety aspects.

A review Working Group is being chaired by the National Technical Officer, Warrick Parkes, who is being assisted by KartSport SuperKart Drivers Club President Andrew Hall and SuperKart stalwart Tony Bowden.

Recommendations from this Working Group will be made to the Executive by 1 November 2016.

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Kiwis Invade Italy



Nine kiwi drivers and crew are about to leave for Italy to contest international events being contested on the same dates, 19-22 October.

Matthew Payne, Dylan Drysdale, Joshua Hart, Tiffany Chittenden and Ryan Urban will contest the **2016 Rotax Grand Finals** at Sarno alongside 355 other competitors.

Meanwhile Breanna Morris, William Exton, Mason Potter and Joshua Parkinson will face up to over 400 competitors further north at Lonato at the **2016 ROK Cup International Finals**.

Best wishes to you all !



2016 National Conference Update



Many have stated that this year's National Conference was the best ever.

Read all about it [HERE](#)



Rule Updates

There have been a number of Rule Updates issued since the last E-Line. To view please Click on links below:

[Issue 2016-5](#)

[Issue 2016-6](#)

[Issue 2016-7A](#)

#skyspeed Captures SuperKarts Spray

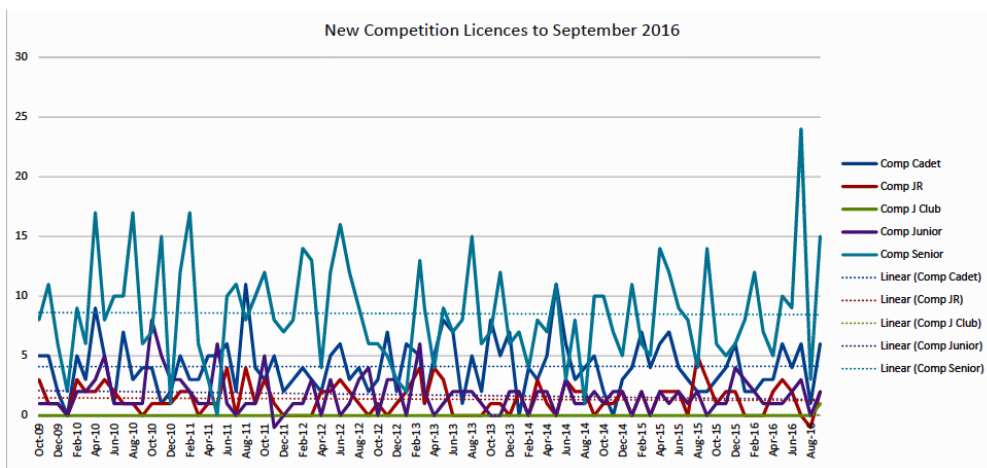


The **2016 National SuperKart Championships and Grand Prix** were contested in miserable conditions at Hampton Downs on 25 September, However that did not deter competitors, with stunning kart control in all classes.

#skyspeed came along to film highlights and Ryan Urban put out a challenge to Greg Murphy. Watch this space!

The **#skyspeed programme clip** has so far received over 17,400 views.

Record Month For New Members



July 2016 was a record (33) month for New Competition Licences. Together with another good month (26) in September our long term trend for Senior and Cadet Competition Licences is now flat lining and Junior and JR Age Groups trending just slightly downwards.

As at 30 September Overall Licenced membership is up 1% and Competition Licences up 2.7% on the same time last year.

