

KartSport New Zealand E-Line



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1 August 2012



New Website Launched

The new KartSport New Zealand website www.kartsport.org.nz was launched on 1 August. This upgrade, largely funded by a \$25,000 grant from the Lion Foundation has been a major project over the last six months following a comprehensive review of future requirements and the developer selection process carried out in 2011.



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The new site is a great step forward with further development potential to come. The key feature is that it is on a modern cloud based platform which means it can be updated from anywhere at any time. It also has a much stronger graphic content and is designed to be more user friendly to potential new members, as well as still retaining all the key features of interest to existing members.

It has also been designed to enable Clubs to use the base format/structure, but with their own "face" so as to reduce duplication of effort around the country and to ensure content is up to date.

In conjunction with this change John Lennox is retiring as Webmaster after many years (since December 1999) building and managing the site. The sport owes John a big vote of thanks for his time and skill in his role as Webmaster. In 2011 the site received 3,746,947 page views and now regularly receives over 650 individual visits per day.

All future website inquiries should be directed to admin@kartsport.org.nz

The new website has a number of new features. These include:

SELF LOAD CLASSIFIEDS

Members will now be able to self-load Classifieds, including images, into the Blog style Classifieds section which provides a Q&A feature. All ads will run through an approval process before they are published.

ENHANCED CLUB LISTINGS

Including Club Event Calendars and Google maps.

BANNER ADVERTISEMENTS

We have simplified the offer to one Banner size and adjusted the Rate Card. There is now a special rate for Clubs wishing to promote events with a Banner Ad. The new Banner position is very prominent and appears on all pages. Banners can be linked to the URL of your choice.

If your company is interested in placing a Banner Ad please contact



admin@kartsport.org.nz.

YOU TUBE

We are currently loading more videos on to our [YOU TUBE Channel](#).
Currently there are 55 videos loaded. Since December 2008 there have been 18,261 video views from this Channel. (Most popular programme is 2010 NZ Sprint Championships Open Final with 2,285 views)
The new website is still work in progress so any feedback is greatly appreciated. We expect some evolution over coming months based on user feedback and as some of the content transferred directly from the old site is reviewed and up dated.
A feedback topic page has been set up on [My-Kart HERE](#)



2 Day **HOTSHOTS** Academy, KartSport Taranaki 11-12 August 2012

Get the jump on your competitors,
pre 2012 North Island Sprint Championships.

Please book **NOW ON-LINE** by [CLICKING HERE](#) or
phone **Gary Wilson**, Head Coach **021-543-787**.

The KartSport Academy is now on Facebook. CLICK logo



2012 National Conference



The 2012 National Conference is being held in Auckland on 17-19 August at the Waipuna Hotel. The Agenda, Nominations and Notices of Motion can be viewed [HERE](#).



Midget kart with Iron Horse engine.
The good old days...or were they?
Pic from Ian Love archives.



CIK homologated rear protection pod...

The use of CIK homologated rear protection pods (rear bumpers) is becoming more common especially with new karts arriving from Europe. Competitors who choose to use these rear protection pods are reminded to check that they comply with the requirements of Rule K1.6. Of particular note is that "*In all conditions, the rear protection pod must at no time protrude beyond the external plane of the rear wheels*". This means that the rear wheels can never be 'inside' the rear protection pod - this applies when using both dry AND wet tyres.

Tech Talk

with John Lennox
National Technical Officer



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Reminders

Cameras. Reminder that cameras **MUST** be fitted prior to scrutineering and conform to: *Rule K1.9 CAMERA: Attachment of a camera(s) and/or a recording device(s) to a kart is acceptable providing the camera/recording device(s) and all attachments are fitted prior to scrutineering and conform to the following:*

Competitors and guardians are reminded that drivers can **only practice in a class of kart which is allowed for their respective age.** See Rules E3 and Q5.1 for details.

If you wish to keep your Competition Licence Number you need to keep your Licence current. **This is especially applicable to senior competitors holding a one or two digit Licence Number.**

When sending your Licence for renewal please ensure you use the **current Application Form**, include your valid **Club Membership Card** and your **complete old Licence/Log Book**. Both will be returned to you with your new Licence/Log Book. **Failure to include these will delay processing and cause added administration time/cost.** Currently about **15%** of renewal applications are arriving incomplete.

Please fill out your Application Form clearly, especially your **email address** which is normally our key means of contacting you and sending you **E-Line**.

One Day Licences are limited to 3 in 12 months.

Licence Declarations are only for those competitors who leave their Licence at home or have lost their Licence. Licence Declarations are not available for when a Licence is in transit.

Licences in transit – if the event Race Secretary does not hold an email from KartSport New Zealand advising that a Licence is in transit, the competitor will be required to complete another Licence application and pay the relevant fees to the Club. These will be forwarded after the event by the Club to KartSport New Zealand and if a Licence is being held or has been returned the 2nd payment will not be processed.

Event Indemnities – These must be signed even if a Change of Guardian Form is being

used.

Reminder that the only wet tyre to be used for practice and racing for classes subject to Rule L3.5 is the **Dunlop KT12 SLW2**. This Dunlop wet tyre became compulsory for these classes on **1 April 2012**