

KartSport New Zealand E-Line



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Series Kick Off 2014 with Increased Numbers

There seems to be a change in the wind for KartSport participation in 2014. The year started with a jolt when we realised the CIK Trophy of NZ was not going to happen and we know the reasons are many and varied, no sense revisiting it at this stage. However three key Series have all kicked off 2014 with increased participation compared to last year.

CRC Speedshow Top Half Series Round 1 entries are up a whopping **37%** since last year



with 122 competitors at KartSport Rotorua on 16-2-14.

Then, at KartSport Manawatu on 23-2-14, the [Schwarzkopf NZRMC](#) Round 1 saw 73 entries (up **9%** on last year), including a near track limit field of 33 in Rotax Max Light.

Also contested at KartSport Manawatu was Round 1 of the [ProKart Series](#) with 38 entries (up **15%** on last year) including the new KZ2 Restricted class.

Club Days Too

A number of Clubs are also reporting increased Club Day participation compared to last year. EG:

Entries for KartSport Mt Wellington's 2014 Anniversary Meeting were up **130%** on last year (53 v 23).

KartSport Rotorua had 72 entries at its 2014 January Club Day, **double** that of 2013.

Yes there is a lot of work to be done at all levels to rebuild participation, however it does appear that some events and some Clubs are seeing light at the end of the tunnel and it is not a train!



33 Rotax Max Light karts face the start at Manawatu.



Telecom Partnership



KartSport New Zealand is delighted to announce a new partnership with [Telecom](#). This partnership includes:

- Broadband hook up and a data plan for most Clubs. Initially this will enable Clubs to transmit [Race Monitor](#) data live and to post [My-Laps](#) results during the race day. Later it will also enable the live streaming of video from key events. [Telecom](#) are currently working their way around the country setting up the best option for each Club. Some Clubs with remote tracks are requiring special solutions. So get your smartphones and tablets to work and let the data flow!
- Telephone and data support for KartSport New Zealand.
- Yet to be announced special events and promotions.

You will probably be aware that [Telecom](#) is changing its name to [Spark](#) later this year. [Telecom](#) is making some bold moves, announcing a partnership with music giant [Spotify](#) and also announcing [ShowmeTV](#), an internet TV service which will revolutionise the way New Zealanders watch TV. We are happy to be partnering with [Telecom](#) as they step into new things to come.

In the meantime, as part of this partnership, all competitors are requested to place the new [Telecom](#) decal on their kart's front console (ref Rule G4.3). Decals are not to be trimmed or cut and will be available from your Club during the next few weeks. See picture below:





MSNZ Elite Academy Reminder

Applications for the MSNZ Elite Academy close at 5pm 21 March 2014.

Over the last three years five KartSport competitors (Daniel Kinsman, Daniel Connor, Arie Hutton, Reid Harker and CJ Sinclair) have attended this one week programme run by the New Zealand Academy of Sport - South Island for the MotorSport NZ Scholarship Trust. All five karters highly recommend the Elite Academy and the on-going post course programmes.

If you have an **A rated Senior Licence** as at **1 March 2014** you are eligible to apply.

[CLICK HERE](#) for more details and an Application Form.

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Cresswell Electrical 2014 NZ Sprint Championships Entries Are Open

Entries for the **Cresswell Electrical 2014 NZ Sprint Championships**, to be contested at KartSport Marlborough's Cresswell Electrical Raceway on **18-20 April**, close on

21 March 2014 at 5pm.

Only classes which have reached the minimum entry number (8) at that time will run.

To enter ON-LINE [CLICK HERE](#)

[CLICK HERE](#) For an Entry Form, Supplementary Rules and Information

DON'T WAIT, DO IT NOW!



New Website Record

A new daily record for visits to www.kartsport.org.nz was set on 18 February 2014 with **951** individual visits. Previous daily record was 789 on 26 August 2013.

Average visit duration was **2 minutes 31 seconds**.

Visitors were from **10 countries** and they averaged **2.53** pages per visit.

Total number of pages viewed for the day was **2405**.

35.3% of the visitors were new.

50% of the visits were acquired via social media.

Top articles viewed were the [Top Half Round 1 report](#) and the [NZRMC Round 1 preview](#).



Rule Updates Issue 2014-1

Rule Updates Issue 2014-1 was published on 12 February. It contains updates regarding the Vortex Kiwi Mini ROK carburettor and other updates and corrections.

To view [CLICK HERE](#)



Executive Changes

At the Executive Meeting held in Auckland on 8-9 February a number of changes were made to make up of the [KartSport New Zealand Executive](#).

John Lennox has resigned from the position of National Vice President, however John will remain on the Executive as the (appointed) Competitions Manager.

Current Either Island Executive member Nick Buxeda has been appointed National Vice President to fill the casual vacancy created by John's resignation.

Former National Vice President and current Academy Director, Graeme Moore has been appointed Either Island Executive Member to fill the casual vacancy created by Nick's appointment. Graeme led the development of our current Strategic Plan and is currently working on refreshing this Plan. During the last 15 months Graeme has been the Project Leader of the Cadet/Junior Restricted Age Group Engine Project.

All appointments have been made under Regulation B11.3.9 and are valid until Sunday 31 August 2014 (National Conference).

Graeme has indicated that he will be making himself available for the position of National President at the next National Conference elections. Likewise Nick intends standing for the National Vice President's position.



Change of Guardian Form

Reminder that this Form needs to be completed if a minor's legal guardian/parent is not present at an event or has to leave an event early.

For those minors who frequently race without their legal guardian/parent present it is a good idea to have a "permanent" Change of Guardian Form attached to your Competition Licence valid for the period of this Licence. This saves having to complete a new Form for each

event.

A Form is now being included in each new Licence issued to minors.

To download the **Change of Guardian Form** [CLICK HERE](#)