

16 October 2009

To All Affiliated Clubs

Dear President and Members

Re: "Hopes and Dreams" Movie Featuring Karting by Eyeworks Film and Drama

KartSport New Zealand was approached in September 2009 regarding a movie to be produced by Eyeworks Film and Drama for release in New Zealand and internationally sometime in 2010

Anita Kinsman and Graeme Moore from the Executive were given the task of communicating with the producers with the objective of finding a mutually satisfactory solution that would meet the needs of the film company and not impact adversely on our sport.

KartSport New Zealand is very keen to support any initiative that exposes and or promotes the sport and albeit KartSport New Zealand had been contacted at a very late stage of the production for permission to film events and use facilities and members in the production we were keen to accommodate the film company's wishes.

Graeme and Anita have had a number of meetings with the producer and have had access to the script. Without divulging details of the plot due to confidentiality agreements their recommendation is that the portrayal of the sport in the movie is far from a true representation and in fact shows a number of aspects in a very poor light therefore KartSport New Zealand has decided to take no part in the production. The KartSport New Zealand Executive is very concerned that the film portrays our sport in an incorrect and unrealistic manner **and would have the potential to seriously impact on relationships with current members, future members and our corporate sponsors.**

We seriously regret having to take this stand but ask you to understand that as the elected team responsible for the reputation and governance of the sport on members' behalf we have taken this stand to protect our brand.

We accept the film makers can/will go ahead and make the film anyway but we do not endorse nor wish to be seen to endorse it as being a realistic portrayal of our sport.

Should your Club and/or members be approached to assist in the making of this movie we request that you **do not** make your facilities and events available for the production of the movie. If anyone proposes filming activity at your facility we suggest that you clarify its end use before you grant permission. Likewise we request that you advise your members not to participate in the movie's production. Clubs and members are reminded of their obligations under the KartSport New Zealand Constitution. (See C16, C18.1, C23 and D3.1 third bullet point).

Any queries please feel free to contact the undersigned and/or President, Lance Hickey.

Yours sincerely

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KartSport New Zealand**

**Lance Hickey
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