

**OHIO VALLEY KARTING ASSOCIATION  
BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2012**

**WELCOME / CALL TO ORDER / OPENING REMARKS:** President Ted Cradlebaugh called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. He asked that cell phones be placed on silent or vibrate and side conversations be taken outside. Cradlebaugh extended condolences to Linda Smiley and her family upon the passing of Bill, a long-time OVKA friend.

**SECRETARYS' REPORT:** Lynda Coombs made a motion to accept the August 14, 2012 board meeting minutes with a correction to include a thank you to Beaver Creek Rentals for providing lights. The motion was seconded by Josh Wagar and passed with ten in favor and one abstained (Viney).

**TREASURERS' REPORT:** On behalf of Jason Gregg, bank balances were provided by Ted Cradlebaugh.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**SHOWS AND PROMOTIONS:** Paul Krimmer reported he and Todd Cradlebaugh are interested in coordinating the Cavalcade of Customs Show in Cincinnati, as well as other venues. Todd Cradlebaugh suggested having two booth spaces to allow for more display area and selling OVKA shirts. Rick Coombs discussed updating the pictures displayed on the booth panels. Mike Brown reported repairs are needed to OVKA sign across the top of the booth to which Krimmer volunteered to work on.

**SPONSORSHIP / PIT SPOTS:** Lee McCready explained some partial season pit spot rentals are in process. He reported Travis Gregg has been contacted by Duncan Oil regarding advertising and being part of any fuel bidding process. Jean Stafford discussed how Turbo Blue runs hotter and he is not sure it is very good for two-cycles. Stafford further stated if we use our specifications, it will have impact on TaG numbers as it has to pass the Digatron test and be in the negative numbers. Max Viney inquired about going with pump gas. Gary Gregg responded leaded fuel is a lubricant and some OVKA racers use Sunoco 110 at WKA events also. Ted Cradlebaugh said all factors need to be weighed.

**SWAP MEET:** Max Viney reported he has received some calls about the 2013 Swap Meet. He will make sure the flyer is up to date and ready for distribution. Ray McKibben reported Doug Benson will see that web site information is updated. Cradlebaugh asked Viney to provide him with the list of unpaid 2012 booth spaces.

**TRACK IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE:** Gary Gregg reported he continues to work on finding someone to seal the track. Ted Cradlebaugh asked Gregg to inform him if he is unable to locate someone. Gregg discussed sealing wood surfaces and asked that the type of sealant used in the past be identified. Rick Coombs responded he thought it was Olympic which he will confirm. Cradlebaugh discussed scheduling a day to do pressure washing prior to sealing. He further stated restroom improvements are still an issue he would like to see addressed. Ray McKibben suggested painting the original G & J Kartway logo on Gary Gregg's office building. Pat Slattery suggested painting G & J Kartway on the side of a silo.

**RULEBOOK COMMITTEE:** Josh Wagar said it is time to form a committee to review the rulebook for next year. Wagar reported he will co-chair the committee with Lynda Coombs who will provide clerical support. Todd Cradlebaugh discussed the amount of time that was taken to prepare the 2012

rulebook and suggested leaving the rulebook alone using the time and energy to focus on something else. Wagar responded this option has been considered in the past and it was felt suggestions that come up during the season need to at least be discussed. Gary Gregg said the committee needs to look at rules for all and not just the ones running up front. In addition to Josh Wagar and Lynda Coombs, committee members will be Carlson Bogan, Rick Coombs, Ted Cradlebaugh, Ken Kuethe, Ray McKibben and Rick Wagar. TaG weights were discussed and Ted Cradlebaugh reported a meeting of the TaG drivers was held at the last race.

**BANQUET COMMITTEE:** Rick Coombs discussed class averages through race eleven and inquired what the intention is for the Clone classes. Ted Cradlebaugh responded they were informed it takes an average of four to make the minimum. Gary Gregg suggested they be given a certificate. Lynda Coombs will look at previous minutes. Lynda suggested announcements be made at the driver's meetings to remind everyone the excess / non-racing participation credit policy on page 24 was changed following publication of the rulebook. The lower level is three to five participation credits.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

**RADIOS / HEADSETS:** Ted Cradlebaugh reported the radios are working fine but ten new headsets are needed. Cradlebaugh, Gary Gregg and Ray McKibben will research headsets.

**BOARD MEMBER RESIGNATION:** Ted Cradlebaugh reported he accepted Doug Stempfley's resignation from the OVKA Board of Directors. Cradlebaugh thanked Stempfley for his service to the club and the sport of karting.

**FALL CLEAN-UP:** Ted Cradlebaugh said a date needs to be determined for a fall clean-up day. Following discussion, Sunday, October 28, 2012 was selected.

**TaG HEADERS:** Jean Stafford discussed measuring TaG headers. Carlson Bogan reported we have been told two different ways of doing it. Pat Slattery explained there is performance enhancement if the flex is shortened. Ted Cradlebaugh asked to check into the matter with WKA.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

**FIRE EXTINGUISHERS:** Gary Gregg continues to work on obtaining six fire extinguishers. Max Viney pointed out that the rulebook requires every pit to have a fire extinguisher.

**CHARITY RACE:** Ted Cradlebaugh reported last month Rick Coombs offered to donate \$700 toward prize money. Cradlebaugh said his family will donate \$300. Payout will be prorated based on class size. The format for the Charity Race will be qualifying with one 25-lap heat. Workers will donate their time. Josh Wagar inquired about having a run-what-you-brung class for 4-cycles. He said the Circleville Raceway Clone drivers have been invited to the event. Mike Brown asked if Kid Karts will be included in prizes to which Cradlebaugh said all Kid Karters will receive something. Cradlebaugh suggested having the chili supper at this event. Dylan Cradlebaugh suggested having a vintage class.

#### **OPEN DISCUSSION:**

**STARTERS:** Ted Cradlebaugh made a motion to appropriate funds to purchase two starters for the kart retrieval vehicle and track workers. Jean Stafford offered to provide them at cost. The motion was seconded by Josh Wagar and passed with ten in favor and one abstained (Stafford).

**RACEDAY CONCERN:** Ted Cradlebaugh reported concerns were brought to him about language used by Dylan Cradlebaugh in the presence of Kid Karters. Dylan extended an apology, said he

accepts whatever he gets and it will never happen again. Ted said Dylan will be required to donate his time to fill a worker position. Don Boles said Dylan was a mentor to this class and asked that he apologize at the driver's meeting. Gary Gregg discussed how everyone needs to be careful what they say and do around children. Gregg noted that the younger children look up to kids like Dylan. Mike Brown discussed a situation that occurred at another track last weekend and said it was the ugliest thing he has ever seen.

**NEW BOARD MEMBER:** Todd Cradlebaugh asked that Pat Slattery be appointed to the board. Josh Wagar explained per the by-laws, the nomination and second must come from board members. Jean Stafford nominated Slattery to the OVKA Board of Directors. Josh Wagar seconded the nomination. Slattery will be voted on at the October board meeting.

**VINTAGE KARTING ASSOCIATION:** Lynda Coombs read a thank you note from the Vintage karting Association for the support provided by OVKA.

**REMEMBRANCE:** Jean Stafford inquired about a remembrance for the Smiley family. Lynda Coombs said that was arranged for today.

**THANK YOU:** Don Boles extended his thanks for assistance provided this past weekend. He said he is proud of and appreciates the support of the OVKA family.

**YARD SIGNS:** Randy Landes reported he had someone tell him they saw an OVKA sign.

**ADJOURNMENT:** A motion to adjourn was made at 8:47 p.m. by Jean Stafford, seconded by Josh Wagar, and passed unanimously.

**UPCOMING MEETINGS / EVENTS:**

- OVKA monthly board meeting, 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, October 2, 2012, Reyton Inn, 6147 West State Route 122, Franklin, Ohio (east side of I-75).

**SUMMARY OF COMMITMENTS:**

- Lynda Coombs – Look at previous minutes regarding Clone class participation.
- Rick Coombs – Research type of wood sealant used in the past.
- Ted Cradlebaugh – Research headsets.
- Gary Gregg – Obtain price quotes for track sealing, let Ted Cradlebaugh know if he is unable to locate someone to do track sealing, research headsets, obtain six fire extinguishers.
- Ray McKibben – Research headsets.
- Pat Slattery – Check with WKA regarding measuring TaG headers.
- Max Viney – Make sure 2013 Swap Meet flyer is up to date and prepare mailing, provide Ted Cradlebaugh with list of 2012 unpaid Swap Meet booth spaces.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** D. Boles, M. Brown, R. Coombs, T. Cradlebaugh, G. Gregg, R. Landes, L. McCready, R. McKibben, J. Stafford, M. Viney and J. Wagar.

**MEMBERS / VISITORS PRESENT:** C. Bogan, O. Cohen, L. Coombs, D. Cradlebaugh, T. Cradlebaugh, P. Krimmer, K. Kuethe, G. Lutz, P. Slattery, and B. Williams.

Respectfully submitted by Lynda Coombs, OVKA Secretary, 9/20/12.