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Fellow Members of the OVKA,

Welcome to the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary season of the Ohio Valley Karting Association. The OVKA was established in 1964 and it's still running strong today. We will be celebrating this milestone all season with special activities, memorabilia, commemorative apparel and more. I look forward to this special season for all of our members and racers.

If you have not completed your membership application for the 2014 season, please try to do so before our first race. Those with children at the track need to have their minor release forms completed and notarized each season also. There is a link to all of these forms on the website. Having the paperwork completed ahead of time helps speed the registration process and everyone appreciates shorter lines at registration.

Clean-Up day is scheduled for March 29, 2014 from 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. We need many volunteers to come to G&J Kartway to get the track and facilities prepared for the 2014 season. You will earn a participation credit for working the four hour shift. Please meet in the tower at 9:00 a.m. to sign up and get the supplies needed.

The first points race for the 2014 season is scheduled for Sunday, April 13 2014. The rule book and schedule has been posted on the website, so save the dates. I have added two rain dates to the schedule this year. There is one scheduled on Sunday, June 29, 2014 and the other is scheduled for Sunday, September 28, 2014. Please make sure to read the rulebook on how these dates will be used. The Champ Race is scheduled for June 21 and June 22, 2014. This is earlier in the season than it has been scheduled in recent years.

Once again I would like to thank Randy Landes, Lynda Coombs and Jason Gregg for their continued service as officers and I would like to thank the Board of Directors for their time, dedication and service to the OVKA. I would also like to thank the Tech Directors, Kid Kart Director and Track Staff for their service. Worker positions will be available for the 2014 season. Please see me if you are interested.

Promotion of the OVKA is done throughout the year at the Swap Meet, Car Shows, Festivals, etc. Every member should promote our club and our sport whenever possible to ensure continued growth of the OVKA. Please distribute business cards and brochures to your friends, neighbors and business associates to spread the word about the OVKA. If you are interested in promoting our club at an event, please let me know and we will make sure that you get the proper materials needed.

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I would like to say a special thank you to Margay / Grand Products / Bridgestone Tires for their continued Series Sponsorship of OVKA for the 2014 - 2015 seasons. I would also like to thank the following companies, race teams and individuals for their 2013 sponsorships.

- Allstate Power Sports Insurance
- Appco Racing
- Coombs Excavating
- Dellorto Direct
- Fiehrer Motors, Inc.
- Full Throttle Indoor Karting
- Harris Total Auto Care
- Lee McCready Racing
- Lightning Event Management
- Remington EDM
- Slattery Racing – Arrow Karts/Woltjer Engines
- PhotoJeff
- American Power Sports
- Comet Kart Sales

Sponsorship has many benefits, so if you or someone you know is interested in being a sponsor for the 2014 racing season, please contact Lee McCready to work out a package that is beneficial to you or your company.

Now is the time to reserve your pit spot for next year also. The deadline for Pit Spot reservations is April 1<sup>st</sup>, so don't lose your spot, contact Lee McCready as soon as possible.

OVKA Board of Directors meetings are held on the first Tuesday of every month with the exception of March of 2014. That meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. on March 11, 2014 and the location will be changed. We will post the new location on the website in the next few days. These meetings are where the official business of the club is conducted and decisions are made. All members are welcome and encouraged to attend. If you have questions or concerns about what is going on with the club, please feel free to get involved.

I am looking forward to the 2014 racing season and thank each of you for your continued support of the Ohio Valley Karting Association.

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