

**OHIO VALLEY KARTING ASSOCIATION
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2012**

WELCOME / CALL TO ORDER / OPENING REMARKS: President Ted Cradlebaugh called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. He asked that cell phones be placed on silent or vibrate. Cradlebaugh asked that respect be extended to whoever has the floor and side conversations be taken outside.

SECRETARYS' REPORT: Lynda Coombs made a motion to accept the October 4, 2012 board meeting minutes as published. The motion was seconded by Ted Cradlebaugh and passed unanimously. Coombs asked what the board would like to do about the regular monthly board meeting in January 2013 as it falls on New Year's Day. Cradlebaugh asked that the meeting be moved to Tuesday, January 8, 2013. Coombs discussed with OVKA memberships running by calendar year, dues must be paid by in order to be eligible to vote.

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

SHOWS AND PROMOTIONS: Ray McKibben discussed the effectiveness of the OVKA signs that were installed at various locations. Ted Cradlebaugh responded many people have seen them. Doug Benson said more signs are available for installation. Lynda Coombs reported paperwork has been received for the Indy Circle Track Show on Saturday, January 28, 2013. Booth space fee will be \$80.00, which includes electric. McKibben explained the OVKA video presentation needs to be updated. He asked that video footage be uploaded to YouTube so he can access it to update the OVKA video presentation. Please send McKibben an email to let him know he can use your video. Todd Cradlebaugh reported plans are underway for participation in the Cavalcade of Customs Show being held Friday through Sunday, January 11-13, 2013, at Duke Energy Center in Cincinnati. He said it is not too early for people to sign up to volunteer. Paul Krimmer explained OVKA will share booth space with Full Throttle Indoor Karting. Todd is working with Photo Jeff on pictures to display in the booth.

SPONSORSHIP / PIT SPOTS: Lynda Coombs asked if any changes are going to be made to pit spot fees so a pit spot reservation form can be included with the annual mailing. Ted Cradlebaugh responded the fees will be the same.

SWAP MEET: Doug Benson reported Swap Meet flyers are being inserted in parts orders by a number of kart shops. Franklin Motorsports is donating a GoPro camera for a raffle. Ray McKibben is assisting with promoting the event on various online sites. Todd Cradlebaugh suggested people start signing up to work at the event. Ted Cradlebaugh said Benson is doing a great job and thanked him for all of his efforts.

TRACK IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE: Gary Gregg reported the track sealing is to be completed soon. Ted Cradlebaugh thanked the volunteers who helped with clean up on October 28th: Orie Cohen, Rick and Lynda Coombs, Dylan, Ted and Todd Cradlebaugh, Jamaica Curtis, Ken Kuethe, Randy Landes, Everett McCauley and Ray McKibben. Orie Cohen extended thanks to Rick Coombs for providing a skid loader. Ray Brown reported he has heard feedback about the women disliking the restroom facilities as water from the showers runs across the restroom stalls. He suggested making improvements, even it is upgrading the current facilities to include making the showers wider and deeper. Cradlebaugh said this is something we would like to work on with Gary Gregg.

RULEBOOK COMMITTEE: Josh Wagar thanked the participants of the Rulebook Committee and provided the board with the following changes for the 2013 season:

- Change wording on page 24 for 3-5 credits as first level (previously approved by the Board February 2012).
- A level one protest appeal required prior to appealing to level two.
- Page 8 – Change wording to: “If you inform the OVKA Officials of your experience, we can observe the driver during a warm-up session and may remove this requirement”.
- Remove Head Flagman displaying yellow flag is a full-course caution.
- Address intrusion bar on four-cycles (Wagar to email committee).
- Rule 501 – Remove “no lane changes before start/finish line”.
- Rule 403.3 – Add wording that numbers must be able to be read by race officials.
- TaG spec tires will be Bridgestone YLC’s.
- Remove additional 20# weight requirement for TaG when using four brakes.
- Add TaG Masters weights in rulebook.
- Correct Parilla Leopard weight (370#) and weight label.
- Add Parilla Leopard X30 weight.
- Appendix G TaG requirements - Add:
 4. Removal of starter, battery and ring gear is permitted.
 5. Allowed to run solid pipe in lieu of flex pipe.
 6. If equipped with an onboard starter, TaG may restart during a race and continue racing by reentering in a safe fashion.
- Include a grid/table in the rulebook outlining the forms required for minors and adults:

FORMS AT TRACK GATE ENTRANCE	FORMS AT REGISTRATION
ADULTS: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sign WKA release. 	ALL RACE ENTRANTS: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proof of age: Copy of driver’s license, passport or birth certificate.
MINORS: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WKA Minor release <ul style="list-style-type: none"> *With notary signature – Form is valid entire race season. *Without notary signature – Form is valid day of event only. <p>NOTE: NOTARY SIGNATURE IS REQUIRED IF PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN IS NOT IN ATTENDANCE</p>	MINORS WITHOUT PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN IN ATTENDANCE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OVKA Non-Attending Parental Release – MUST BE NOTARIZED.

- Rule 1002 - Add “Audio, video and/or photographic evidence will not be considered.”
- Class structure page – Add Yamaha Rookie Sportsman which was added after 2012 rulebook was printed.
- Page 23 - Remove “Talking during driver’s meeting”.
- Page 15, Red flag – Add 4a) “During the red flag stoppage and at the Race Director’s discretion, karts may be sent to the pits to await a re-start later in the race order. In the event this decision is made, the red flag will be lifted and all karts may be worked on once they have left the racing surface. The work period will end when the karts are called to the grid for the re-start. As with other heat races, karts may not enter the track once the 90-second rule has expired’.

- Pole position - Add “501.3 The karter earning pole position in either the third heat (pea-pick format) or pre-final and final (qualifying format) shall have the choice of starting in either the inside or outside position of the front row. The decision must be made at the time the karts are gridded and may not be changed once the kart is placed in position”.
- Insert WKA 2013 Kid Kart regulations (WKA approval has been obtained).
- Establish rules for Clone 420cc class as follows:

APPENDIX G: CLONE 420cc (LOCAL OPTION)

- NAME: Clone 420cc
- AGE: 15 years and up (Minor drivers see OVKA rulebook, Section 300)
- WEIGHT: Clone Lite: 420# / Clone Heavy: 490#
- TIRES: Bridgestone YLC
- Clutch: Shoe type only (Example: Extreme Duty Hilliard or Noram Star)
- Fuel Tank: Must be floor mounted.
- Fuel: Must run club spec fuel.
- Carburetor: Stock type only. Stock carburetor gaskets. Choke must function. Choke bore must be as cast. Black phenolic carburetor insulator must be used. Jets, air bleed jets, and emulsion tubes are non-tech. Stock runner gasket configuration only. No other alterations are permitted.
- Fuel Pump: Any pulse type fuel pump. May be pulsed from valve cover or carburetor spacer.
- Air Filter: Any air filter. Aftermarket adapters are allowed. No Ram air adapters.
- Engine Block: Must remain stock. Bore: 3.543. Stroke: 2.598 +/- .005.
- Cylinder Head: No porting or grinding. A maximum of .060 may be milled off the head to increase compression. Head gasket must be stock configuration. Minimum combustion chamber volume _____ (TBD).
- Piston: Must be stock piston with no modifications. Rings must be stock in appearance and all rings must be installed.
- Valve Train: Must remain stock. No polishing, grinding or other alterations allowed. Stock, stamped steel rocker arms only. Stock valve springs may be supplemented with the addition of smaller clone springs (used as a double spring).
- Connection rod: Stock or Billet aluminum rods, with or without bearing inserts allowed. No titanium rods allowed. Rod length is a no-tech item. No other modifications allowed.
- Camshaft: Stock only – no modification allowed.
- Balance Shaft: Must remain in stock configuration.
- Flywheel/Ignition: Stock flywheel and ignition coil. No alteration or machining allowed. No aftermarket flywheels or ignitions. Advanced offset timing keys are allowed.
- Header Pipe/Muffler: Header/pipe is open. Muffler must be an RLV B-91 series muffler (part numbers RLV#4100, RLV#4102, RLV#4104, or RLV#4106).
- Starter: Must have an electric starter. Recoil starter may be removed.
- Oil Catch Can: Mandatory.
- Oil Sensor: May be removed if equipped.
- Governor: May be removed.

Following discussion, Jean Stafford inquired if this is for board approval to which Ted Cradlebaugh responded no, the committee has the authority.

BANQUET COMMITTEE: Rick Coombs reported banquet registration forms are available this evening. He said the annual mailing will go out in mid-November and funds need to be appropriated. Ted Cradlebaugh made a motion to appropriate \$28,000 for the 2012 banquet. The motion was

seconded by Josh Wagar and passed with ten in favor and one abstained (Coombs). Mike Brown reported Ron Gordon would like \$300 of banquet funds allocated for Kid Kart awards and he will take care of ordering them. Lynda Coombs responded no motion is needed as that is part of the banquet budget. John Horn said with Gordon getting such good pricing on trophies, why not let him get them. Lynda Coombs will communicate this to Gordon. Rick Coombs noted the eagles are a special design from the current supplier.

NEW BUSINESS:

2013 SCHEDULE: Ted Cradlebaugh said many people have indicated they would like more Saturday evening races. As of this time, he plans to propose five Saturday evening races. Cradlebaugh said he would like to find a way to accommodate those people who work on Saturdays. Gary Gregg suggested starting the racing later such as 7:00 p.m., run the short configuration and cut laps down. He said noise would have to end by midnight. Cradlebaugh responded he would like to see racing start at 6:00 p.m. and not have to start on the tail for late arrivals. He said we might qualify and run one heat. Ray McKibben discussed having someone to take karts through tech for people who cannot be there earlier then they would take care of paperwork upon their arrival. Paul Krimmer stated he liked the format of the charity race. Cradlebaugh will review dates with Gary Gregg. He asked people who work on Saturdays to contact him.

DISCIPLINARY ACTION: Ted Cradlebaugh reviewed actions of Dakota Pesek at the October 6, 2012 race. Doug Stempfley read a statement to the board about the incident, which involved his son. Jean Stafford, seconded by Mike Brown, moved to table the matter to executive session. The motion passed with ten in favor and two opposed (Cradlebaugh and Landes).

2013 CLASS STRUCTURE: Josh Wagar suggested eliminating classes, which had no entries. John Horn said if we don't offer it, they won't come. Following a brief discussion, Ted Cradlebaugh said to leave the class structure the way it is and include the Clones.

OVKA BY-LAWS: Jean Stafford discussed a by-laws proposal he submitted to the board:

- After fifteen minutes of discussion, any motion, or by-law change, except those relating to immediate safety or disciplinary action shall be tabled for one month to allow consideration by the Board of Directors.
- The motion shall again be brought up at the following meeting under "Old Business" for another discussion of fifteen minutes duration and tabled for an additional month.
- At the following meeting, approximately sixty days after the first reading, the motion will be brought up for a vote. No additional discussion is permitted.
- The President shall have no vote, except in the case of tie votes. In this case, he/she shall cast the deciding vote.

Doug Benson responded this throws everything into the next meeting. He further stated the by-laws already provide for tabling and maybe we should do this more often. Mike Brown suggested the board consider this and attach an emergency clause regarding finances. Following further discussion, Josh Wagar, seconded by Mike Brown motioned to table the matter until next month.

WKA CHANGES IN JUNIOR & SENIOR CLASSES: John Horn provided an overview of his experience with the new Junior Yamaha air filter cup. He reported it slowed the kart down but not as much as he thought it would. Horn suggested waiting to see what WKA does after Daytona. Ted Cradlebaugh said we will need to see what happens with the changes to the senior can classes also who will be required to use a pipe.

OLD BUSINESS:

CHARITY RACE: Ted Cradlebaugh extended appreciation to the Gratis EMS who provided their services at no cost for the Charity Race. Cradlebaugh thanked Gary Gregg for donating gate proceeds and use of the facility, the workers for donating their time and the following individuals for their donations to the event: Richard Beaman, Ori Cohen, Rick Coombs, Ted Cradlebaugh, Dan Fiehrer, Duane Frank, Randy Landes, Ray McKibben, Jean Stafford, Herman Tholen, DeWalt Service Centers and Full Throttle Indoor Karting. Additionally, Cradlebaugh thanked everyone who provided food for the meal. The event resulted in food and a \$1,300 donation being made to Higher Heights Food Bank in Camden and \$1,300 will be donated to the DARF Injured Driver's Fund at their annual banquet.

RADIOS / HEADSETS: No report.

STARTERS: Ted Cradlebaugh reported the starters have arrived and thanked Jean Stafford for obtaining them.

2013 OFFICERS: Ted Cradlebaugh explained nominations for 2013 officer positions will take place at the December 4, 2012 board meeting.

OPEN DISCUSSION:

DARF BANQUET OF CHAMPIONS: Ted Cradlebaugh reported three OVKA racers will be recognized at the annual DARF Banquet of Champions on Saturday, December 1, 2012: Jason Welage-Yamaha Sportsman class champion, Olivia Horn-Komet Junior class champion and Jim Randolph-Yamaha Masters class champion.

PICTURES: Ray McKibben discussed presenting a picture to the three rental stores who supported the club this year: Arts Rental, Beaver Creek Rental and One-Stop Rental. He anticipates cost around \$120 to \$130 which Ted Cradlebaugh approved. McKibben will work with Photo Jeff on this project.

ADJOURNMENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION: A motion to adjourn to executive session was made at 9:52 p.m. by Josh Wagar, seconded by Mike Brown, and passed unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: The following disciplinary action was taken: Due to unsportsmanlike conduct that occurred on October 6, 2012 at G & J Kartway, Dakota Pesek was suspended until such time as he works five OVKA racing events without pay or participation credit. Additionally, he is placed on probation for the entire 2013 season.

UPCOMING MEETINGS / EVENTS:

- OVKA Monthly Board Meeting – 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, December 4, 2012, Reyton Inn, 6147 West State Route 122, Franklin, OH (east side of I-75)
- Cincinnati Cavalcade of Customs Show, Friday through Sunday, January 11-13, 2013, Duke Energy Center, Cincinnati, OH
- OVKA Annual General Membership Meeting – 2:00 p.m., Saturday, January 19, 2013, Wyndham Garden Inn, 31 Prestige Plaza Drive, Miamisburg, OH 45342
- OVKA 2013 Banquet – Registration 4:00 p.m., Saturday, January 19, 2013, Wyndham Garden Inn, 31 Prestige Plaza Drive, Miamisburg, OH 45342
- Indy Circle Track Show, Saturday, January 28, 2013, Indianapolis State Fairgrounds
- OVKA Swap Meet – Saturday, February 2, 2012, Clark County Fairgrounds, Springfield, OH

SUMMARY OF COMMITMENTS:

- Doug Benson – Continue coordination of OVKA Swap Meet.
- Lynda Coombs – Prepare and mail annual mailing, continue coordination of OVKA banquet, contact Ron Gordon about banquet trophies, coordinate Indy Circle Track Show.
- Rick Coombs – Continue coordination of OVKA banquet, coordinate Indy Circle Track Show.
- Ted Cradlebaugh – Collaborate with Gary Gregg to prepare 2013 schedule, present check to DARF.
- Todd Cradlebaugh – Continue coordination Cincinnati Cavalcade of Customs Show.
- Gary Gregg – Follow up on track sealing.
- Paul Krimmer – Continue coordination of Cincinnati Cavalcade of Customs Show.
- Ray McKibben – Update video presentation, work with Photo Jeff on photos to present to rental shops.

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

MEMBERS / VISITORS PRESENT: C. Bogan, R. Brown, O. Cohen, L. Coombs, D. Cradlebaugh, Todd Cradlebaugh, J. Horn, P. Krimmer, K. Kuethe, G. Lutz, D. Pesek, D. Stempfley, T. Swindling, and B. Williams.

Respectfully submitted by Lynda Coombs, OVKA Secretary, 11/25/12.