

**OHIO VALLEY KARTING ASSOCIATION
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2013**

CALL TO ORDER: President Ted Cradlebaugh called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. He asked that cell phones be placed on silent or vibrate and to show respect to the person who has the floor.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Lynda Coombs, seconded by Josh Wagar, made a motion to accept the October 1, 2013 board meeting minutes as published. The motion passed unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT: On behalf of Treasurer, Jason Gregg, Ted Cradlebaugh provided bank balances. Financial reconciliation needs to be finalized with G & J Kartway.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

SHOWS & PROMOTIONS: Todd Cradlebaugh discussed the need for more booth space at the Cincinnati Cavalcade of Customs Show being held January 10th through 12th. He explained this show is the second largest event for OVKA (the Swap Meet is the largest event) and there are many people who attend. Josh Wagar said the booth has been crowded and a 10' by 20' would be better. He suggested discussing this with Full Throttle who has shared booth space with us in the past. Following further discussion, Cradlebaugh made a motion to appropriate up to \$1,000 for booth space at the Cavalcade of Customs Show. The motion was seconded by Don Boles and passed unanimously. Cradlebaugh reported people have started volunteering to work at the event and a sign-up sheet is available this evening. Randy Landes discussed participating in the Home and Garden Show in March and will obtain information. Doug Benson noted there is a Travel, Sports and Boat Show that could be considered. Mike Brown discussed obtaining give-aways from merchants such as Wal-Mart.

SPONSORSHIP / PIT SPOTS: Ray McKibben reported he is working with Lee McCready on a pit spot diagram.

SWAP MEET: Doug Benson reported Swap Meet plans are progressing right along and the mailing will be going out soon. Benson and Ted Cradlebaugh conducted a site visit of the new location at Hara Arena to design a floor plan. Benson said there will be a lot of parking spaces, two areas for booth spaces and a vendor entrance area. Ted Cradlebaugh explained ticket sales will take place indoors at this facility. Workers will be needed outside to direct traffic. Cradlebaugh said it is mandatory that all board members work at the Swap Meet. Benson explained the opening time will be 8:00 a.m. for the public and 7:00 a.m. for vendors. Don Boles suggested asking kart shops to provide seminars. Mike Brown said space will be needed for WKA 2-cycle, 4-cycle and race official classes.

TRACK IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE:

- **LIGHTS:** Ted Cradlebaugh reported he is waiting to hear from Drew Young about lights.

- **TRACK SEALING:** Ted Cradlebaugh said Gary Gregg has made a commitment to have the track sealed.
- **PA SYSTEM:** Ray McKibben provided photos detailing the progress and needs for PA wiring. There was discussion of ways to install two large runs of wiring so as to get the right amount of tension. McKibben said help will be needed with the installation of the wiring.
- **RESTROOMS:** Ted Cradlebaugh said he thinks Gary Gregg is satisfied with the men's restroom.
- **EXHAUST FANS:** Ted Cradlebaugh explained we need to wait until next year to address the exhaust fans. Ray McKibben offered to provide a fan to try out.

RULE BOOK COMMITTEE: Josh Wagar reported two rules committee meetings were held at Danbarry Cinemas in Middletown. A list of changes and items discussed was distributed. Wagar explained chain guards on Clone 420cc engines will be required due to the extra torque. Mike Brown discussed placement of the chain guards. Wagar pointed out a big change for next year will be the inclusion of two rain dates. There was discussion of options for rain dates and weather points. Ted Cradlebaugh said it still needs to be figured out. Cradlebaugh and Ray McKibben discussed cancelling before race day verses on the day of the event. Ken Kuethe asked for clarification about what constitutes taking the track. Wagar responded once warm-ups begin, the insurance is used. Gary Gregg explained many years ago, the track owner would cancel a Sunday event the day before. Wagar will work on the wording for rain dates / weather policy. Wagar explained the class structure will include two categories; one with active classes and one with inactive classes that are still offered. Mike Brown reported Clone classes will no longer exist within WKA. Cradlebaugh noted we will not be combining the HPV and KT100 like WKA is doing. Carlson Bogan said accurate specifications will be needed for the Clone classes. Wagar responded the specifications will be double-checked. Cradlebaugh reported he has been contacted about including the Honda 50 motor in Kid Karts. He said he does not have a problem with this since it is a non-points class and these are sealed motors. Brown discussed Pro Gas motors being used in WKA and how people want a motor they can grow with.

BANQUET COMMITTEE: Rick Coombs reported the food price will be the same as last year and there will be a quarter percent increase in the tax rate. The banquet mailing will be sent out later this month.

NEW BUSINESS:

DISCIPLINARY ACTION: Lynda Coombs reported no return receipt has been received for the disciplinary notification letter. Ted Cradlebaugh will attempt to contact the driver.

2014 OFFICERS: Ted Cradlebaugh explained 2014 officer nominations will take place at the December board meeting as per the by-laws.

DARF BANQUET: Ted Cradlebaugh has selected three OVKA class champions who will be invited to attend the DARF banquet.

OLD BUSINESS:

TRANSPONDERS: Ray McKibben discussed transponder research he conducted and said at this time, he does not recommend pursuing a different brand. He did locate two used transponders that looked to be in great condition. Ted Cradlebaugh authorized purchase of these at a cost of \$150 each. Lynda Coombs reviewed pricing of new transponders and a charging case. She explained to receive a discounted rate, a minimum of twenty transponders would need to be ordered. Mike Brown suggested contacting Whiteland Raceway to see if they have any for sale.

KID KART PURCHASE: Ted Cradlebaugh reported Terry Pastor has a kid kart for sale. Mike Brown said this could be used at shows and to rent to kids. Following discussion, Cradlebaugh made a motion to appropriate up to \$1,700 for the purchase of a kid kart. The motion was seconded by Josh Wagar and passed unanimously.

TIRE CONTRACT: Ted Cradlebaugh reported he spoke with Keith Freber who informed him the Bridgestone YLC tire will be available for the 2014-racing season. Cradlebaugh asked if the board wants to go with a one year or two year contract. Josh Wagar responded he prefers a one-year contract. Cradlebaugh will work with Freber on this.

TRACK CONTRACT: Ted Cradlebaugh said a time needs to be scheduled to discuss developing a track contract with the Greggs.

END OF SEASON CLEAN UP: Ted Cradlebaugh reported due to a high chance of rain, the track clean-up date was rescheduled to noon this coming Saturday, November 9, 2013. Lynda Coombs explained 2013 participation credits close as of October 31st so the upcoming workday will count toward next season.

EXCESS EQUIPMENT: Ray McKibben reported he worked with Gary Gregg to dispose of old cables and audio equipment.

CHARITY RACE: Ted Cradlebaugh reported the Charity Race went well and there were 55 entrants. The event was moved to Sunday due to the weather on Saturday. Gary Gregg will deliver the food that was collected to the Camden Food Pantry. Proceeds from the event were \$2,884.25. A decision was made to round up and donate \$1,500 to DARF and \$1,500 to the Camden Food Bank. Cradlebaugh thanked the sponsors of the event, the Gratis EMS for donating their services, Gary Gregg and everyone who donated their time to work at the event.

OPEN DISCUSSION:

WKA GOLD CUP: Mike Brown said he is pleased to announce the WKA Gold Cup will be back to G & J Kartway on July 11, 12 and 13, 2014. He stated WKA is always excited about coming to G & J. Brown reported classes have been cut so the days will go quicker.

RACE SCHEDULE: Mike Brown said he has heard from a lot of people they would like the number of races changed from 14 to 12. He said with 14 races, it gets to be a load and it seems to make tempers go up. Ted Cradlebaugh responded we could consider 12 races with no drops to which Gary Gregg disagreed.

RULE CHANGES: Doug Benson discussed people needing to know about rule changes. Josh Wagar explained there will be a list published in the front of the rulebook. Ted Cradlebaugh discussed the importance of reading the rulebook. Rick Coombs noted it is important to listen at the driver's meetings also.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion to adjourn was made by Mike Brown at 9:40 p.m., seconded by Don Boles, and passed unanimously.

UPCOMING MEETINGS / EVENTS:

- Clean-Up Day – Noon, Saturday, November 9, 2013.
- OVKA Monthly Board Meeting – 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, December 3, 2013, Reyton Inn, 6147 West State Route 122, Franklin, OH (east side of I-75).
- OVKA 2013 Banquet – Saturday, January 18, 2014, Wyndham Garden Dayton South, 31 Prestige Plaza Drive, Miamisburg, OH, 45342; annual membership meeting at 2:00 p.m., banquet registration opens at 4:00 p.m.

SUMMARY OF COMMITMENTS:

- Ted Cradlebaugh – Attempt to contact driver regarding disciplinary matter, work on tire contract, schedule a meeting with the Greggs to discuss a track contract.
- Gary Gregg – Deliver food to the Camden Food Pantry.
- Randy Landes – Provide information about the Home and Garden Show.
- Ray McKibben – Provide exhaust fan to try out.
- Josh Wagar – Provide wording for rain dates / weather policy.

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

MEMBERS / VISITORS PRESENT: C. Bogan, O. Cohen, M. Cook, L. Coombs, Todd Cradlebaugh, G. Huber, G. Lutz, T. Melton, J. Roberts, L. Roberts and B. Williams.

Respectfully submitted by Lynda Coombs, OVKA Secretary, 11/24/13.