ABKC News September 2024



Welcome to Sport80

Welcome to the September issue of the ABKC News. This month all clubs will have been migrating their Motorsport UK credentials over to the new Sport80 platform. This starts with the nominated administrator for the club, then that person will be asked to supply the names and details of the other main officials so they too can set up a log-in. There are some helpful videos for the platform here: Motorsport Management Platform, Powered by Sport:80 - Motorsport UK . And if you have questions address them to competitionsandclubs@motorsportuk.org . In addition officials will be asked to set up their log-in and renew their licence for 2025.

NCRs

Motorsport UK will be offering webinars to learn more about the 2025 National Competition Regulations. There are still some issues to be resolved which hopefully will happen soon and updated draft versions put on their website. It is said they will be easy to use on a mobile phone.

Consultation

There have been a number of proposed kart related regulations out for consultation recently. These included the end of the scrutineering trial and proposal to put into regulation, and the proposal for Slow boards to optionally replace the battenburg flag to neutralise a session.

Medical team briefing

We have been asked to ensure clubs make sure their medics are familiar with the Motorsport UK Concussion Policy. That should be up to the Clerk of the Course.

Carbon Calculator

Clubs are urged to register to use the carbon calculator and test out their events. Here is where you will find the relevant information: Becoming a Sustainable Club - Motorsport UK

Web analytics

Clubs and regional associations are urged to use web analytics, usually via Google, to see the numbers accessing their websites and socials. Many clubs will already be doing this.

Kart Licences

There were 3333 kart licences issued in 2023, slightly down on the 3400 in 2022, and of which 4% were female. But karting has 26% of total entries, the most of any single discipline. Kart Committee have drafted the objective for our sport which is: "To encourage, administer, promote, advance, and manage Karting. Increase participation by making the sport more accessible; looking beyond the usual regulated categories and events and utilising new technologies to achieve our objectives"

Kart Development Fund

The fund has now been launched and is open for requests for grants. Please look at the latest Revolution magazine for details or contact kartdevelopmentfund@motorsportuk.org. Clubs should not hesitate to seek access to the well resourced fund. In addition the British Motorsport Trust 2025 grant applications are now open until the end of September. Clubs will have received an email from Sue Fletcher.

Kartmania

Six clubs have now signed up for this year's Kartmania at Silverstone on 30th November and 1st December. But there are spaces for more and even if your club is unable to book a stand, a club representative would be very welcome to join us on the ABKC stand.

FIA-CIK World Championship

Many congratulations to our two new British World Champions. Kenzo Craigie and Ethan Jeff-Hall made it a double success for the UK at the FIA Karting World Championships, clinching dramatic titles in the OK-Junior and OK Class at PF International. In fact in OK senior Jeff-Hall topped an all British podium with Joe Turney and Matthew Higgins. There were 50 British drivers competing in the event including a privateer.