



**NKC/SECRETARIAT MEETING
MINUTES
Telephone Conference
Tuesday 31st January 2012
@ 8.00pm AEDST**

Attendance online - (by Telstra)

AKA Executive:

AKA President:	Craig Denton
AKA Vice President:	Dave Kissock
AKA Secretary	Pam Arnett
AKA Treasurer	Peter O'Neil
AKA National Officials Coordinator	Brian Sparrow

NKC Delegates:

Queensland	John Mc Cleverty
NSW	Steve King
Victoria	David Murray
Tasmania	Steph Peters
Western Australia	Gary Light
Northern Territory	John Gatt
South Australia	Nathan Burgess

Pecuniary Interest:

Craig Denton – Part time Shop Owner

Steve King – Part time engine Tuner

Gary Light – Part time engine Builder

Approval of Minutes from last meeting:

Moved: NSW

Second: WA

Business arising from the minutes:

Governance – Documents have been circulated.

Item 6 – Restricted 125 (Victoria) . The restrictor has been deleted and weights have been revised.

Item 8 – Update on investigation on the AKA to purchase a building to be used as a National office. Building has been found at a cost of \$710,000.00 in Penrith. Discussion on purchase cost and deposit required.

National Treasurer to put together a costing package to the NKC for their consideration.

AGENDA ITEMS:

Item 1: Governance

Steve King has copies of the constitutions (what I am calling North & South or Hancock & Worsnop). Craig has set a timetable, we need to adopt this and also get a working party to combine both constitutions and present a single constitution to the NKC for adoption. We need to come to an understanding of how we vote is it Clubs or States. The Australian Sports Commission recommend that it be one State on Vote and not clubs as this could lead to larger States taking control of the organisation to the detriment of the smaller states. The main point is to keep it moving at a pace and not let it get stalled or derailed.

1. Company Limited by Guarantee (clubs as voters to be changed to States to be the voters)
2. Incorporated Association.

Steve King and John Mc Cleverty have been working together in regards to the forward planning on adopting Governance.

Delegates spoke on the past discussion on how the AKA came up with voting by States or clubs. The only time they need to vote is for the Board.

We need to come up with a final document and a subcommittee is formed chaired by Dave Kissock.

Committee is to be made up of:

John Mc Cleverty

Peter O'Neill

Steve King

Dave Kissock (Chairman)

Northern Territory will support the move to Governance as long as we have one body in the end. This will evolve in time.

Governance document:

9.2 - Committee's wording needs to have more work - maybe maximum of persons on the committee?.

States as the voters.

Cost of going to Company Limited

NKC delegates to read the constitution circulated by John Mc Cleverty before the next NKC meeting 21st February 2012 . Any concerns to direct them to the committee.

Sub Committee is to be made up of:
John Mc Cleverty
Peter O'Neill
Steve King
Dave Kissock (Chairman)
Moved: TAS
Second: Qld
Carried

Item 2: Yamaha KT100S barrel

We need to issue a clear direction to our Techs and Stewards on this issue. The competitor who buys a new motor and then it is found not to comply and received a suspension. What have we done to alert the competitors?

National President has spoken to Yamaha Australia re the barrels. A combined press release has been drafted and we are waiting on agreement.

Moved NSW

That the AKA to give Yamaha until close of business tomorrow to agree to a joint press release otherwise the AKA will release theirs.

Second: VIC
Against: SA
Carried

Item 3: January/December

To date we have not received the Budget, I am aware that Christmas and New Year have played a big part in this, however we need a budget to be submitted and approved by the NKC. It is only a procedural matter, however I believe it should be done.

National Treasurer has a budget July 2011 – December 2012 - this will be sent out

Item 4: 2012 Budget – covered in item 3

Item 5: CIK Support Classes

The IKC have introduced the Leopard Challenge, I believe that this should be ratified by the NKC. We have no objection to the Leopard Challenge, however it was a major change and the NKC we not notified of this and approval was not sort. The NKC run karting in Australia and the IKC need to seek final approval for all major decisions.

NSW felt that these things should come back to the NKC for approval.?

IKC need to send out a release to the NKC so that they know what is happening.

Discussion on Leopard being the support classes that has not put in any financial support for the advertising etc that this meeting will attract.

The IKC are putting together a strategic plan of the future to address the support classes to have a commercial arrangement contract.

Discussion was held re the level of Stewards and Clerk of Course that is required at CIK events and the equivalence between State Championships and Stand Alone Nationals.

Moved NSW

CIK event are to have a Grade 1 Chief Steward , grade 1 Clerk of course , with a minimum of three state stewards with a grading of 1,2 or 3. Grade 4 may be used for training purposes.

Second QLD

Carried

Discussion on the replacement of Peter Galvin who resigned. The IKC committee members are covering this for the next two meetings.

IKC have purchased a gift for Peter for all his hard work on the committee and this will be presented to him at the CIK round.

Item 6: Minutes of meetings

There appears to be differing views on the minutes of meetings. Who and how are they prepared? The digital recording, does it have to be transcribed word perfect or is it there to assist in the preparation of the minutes? Do the minutes need to be approved by the National Executive prior to being forwarded to the NKC Delegates? When do the minutes become the minutes – When they are approved and adopted at the next meeting. I believe that we need to have a clear policy on the Minutes of Meeting, and then there can be no misunderstanding.

Discussion on how they are written. They only need to have

- Minutes in point form
- Motions passed for or against

Discussion was also held on the amount of detail that needs to go into addendums. A clear description needs to be inserted.

NSW Moved

Produce a policy on minute's procedure.

QLD Second

Carried

Steve King to put this policy together and forward to Craig Denton and Pam Arnett.

Item 7: CMS System (Licensing) (Race Management)

Since I requested this agenda item, Scott has released a document with many changes. However, there is still a list of fixes and requests that the State Secretaries have.

Participation rates reports are done by Media Marketing manager.

Are these reports quarterly?

Craig Denton to request from Lee quarterly report.

Item 8: Rotax Pro Tour

The Rotax Pro Tour has now become a National event that cross State borders and they keep a point's score that makes competitors eligible for prizes that include a trip to the World Rotax event. Why are they not paying National Event fees? Why are there not National Supplementary Regulations? Why is the promoter not held to the same standard for Officials as other National events? If these are National events why is there a need for States to offer Rotax at their respective State Championships? Where is the policy to guide States on these Promoter events? What is a promoter event?

Discussion on promoter events –

Rotax Light & Heavy and Leopard Light & Heavy can only be run at 6 Meetings?

The understanding is the promoter classes to be as per the AKA 2012 Manual.

NSW Moved:

Rotax Light, Rotax Heavy, Leopard Light and Leopard Heavy to be as per the National policy as written in the AKA 2012 Manual in the pre-amble to chapters 38 & 39.

QLD Second:

Carried.

Item 9: Rotax technical documents

What is happening with the regulations in relation to Restricted Tag and Sportsman Tag 125 for Rotax engines?

Moved : TAS

That the Yamaha KT100J R1.05.8 be implemented 1/1/2013.

Second: QLD

Carried

Moved NSW;

Technical documents to be sent out for approval as a postal vote

Second: TAS

Carried

These regulations will be made effective immediately.

Item 10: Promoter events

Both Rotax and Leopard have National events that cross State borders and they keep a point's score that make competitors eligible for prizes. Why are they not paying National Event fees? Why are there not National Supplementary Regulations? Why is the promoter not held to the same standard for Officials as other National events? If these are National events why is there a need for States to offer Rotax at their respective State Championships? Where is the policy to guide States on these Promoter events? What is a promoter event? They are both entitled to conduct 6 events in each State without knowing what is deemed to be a promoter event how do we establish this? We need a clearly defined Policy on "{Promoter Events".)

This Item Covered.

Item 11: Track Density

Discussion:

There are many things that have changed over the years in regards to track safety, Kerbing, Run off , Woodchips, Tyres, Karts, Driver gradings to name but a few.

It appears that there is a current trend to make Kart tracks longer, wider but the formula for track density remains unchanged.

The only way to allow more karts on the track currently is to extend your track's length and/or increase its width.

What is the formula used to measure a kart track ?

It is more a chart, a guide of recommendations.?

Below are some examples:

· if a track was 800 metres long and an average of 7 metres wide this would have a total of 5600 square metres.

· If 30 karts averaged 1400mm wide and 1300mm long this would equal 54.6 square metres. This is in fact .975%, less than 1% of the total track area. It would also be fair to say that while on the out grid awaiting entry to the track would be the only time when karts were in that close a formation. Some car circuits are 8 metres wide allowing 3 medium size cars side by side with plenty of room.

The "fast line around any kart track corner, does not have the same effect for the kart 4 or 5 wide.

Future recommendations:

- If track density numbers were increased one of the major benefits we can see would be certain tracks that are around the current 28 to 32 density area would not be in the position of exceeding the numbers at bigger meetings requiring the lengthy time constraints of repercharges or A v B v C races.
- More karts on the track sits well with all the future visions and ideas we constantly discuss.

What we would like to see is that effective January 1 2012 would be that the current Density chart be modified to increase the number of starters by a minimum of 4 across the board.

Regards
NKC

1. The first mention of any 'track densities' was printed in the 1993 AKA Manual under the heading of 'Supplementary Regulations' and simply read;

Number of starters:

Tracks less than 500 metres in length to be a maximum of 20.

For tracks 500 to 650 metres a maximum of 24 karts.

For tracks 651 to 1000 metres a maximum of 30 karts

For tracks 1001 to 1500 metres a maximum of 40 karts

Tracks of 7 metres plus in width, but under 650 metres in length, may be re-assessed by the State Track Inspector.

The State Track Inspector / AKA has the authority to assess a track with regards to the number of karts eligible for competition on a track.

Back then there was no National Track Committee or National Track Co-ordinator, but there were State Track Inspectors in each state.

In 1995, the same wording 'as above' was used, but in addition, the following rule was instigated;

Circuit Grading and Lengths;

A GRADE - National Sprint Championship

Circuits to be a minimum length of 700 metres.

B GRADE - National Dirt Track and all State Championships

Circuits to be a minimum length of 350 metres.

C GRADE - Open and closed meetings

Maximum length of any circuit to be 1.5 kilometres.

In late 1996, The National Track Committee was formed and Mr. Geoff Jacobs from Tasmania was appointed as the National Track Safety Co-ordinator. The same wordings as above were both printed in chapter 18, titled 'National Track Safety Requirements'.

In late 1998, the current track density table was established and printed into the 1999 manual and has remained unchanged ever since, except for the additional wording recently to include the National Executive in consultation with the National Track Safety Co-ordinator.

Mick Stott was appointed as the National Track Safety Co-ordinator at the 1998 AGM. I have spoken with him on several occasions about how the track density table was evolved and he cannot remember how the numbers were formulated.

Back in 1993, side pods were already compulsory on all karts in all classes.

Nose cones were made optional for all classes in 1998 and compulsory for all classes in 2005.

Our current rules already stipulate minimum track widths and lengths for all State and National Championships, and I doubt that there would be any tracks left that are over 500 metres in length and only 6 metres in width.

We need to have an in depth discussion on this matter and look at Track density applying Risk Management and I am sure we will come up with a solution that will suit most.

Steve King went through how he could see that we could increase the track density to and extra amount of karts.

Moved: NSW

Amend 17.18 and add 4 additional karts to each configuration.

Second: NT

Carried.

Moved VIC;

To be implemented immediately

Second: NSW

Carried.

Formula on how the AKA came up with the additional karts to be completed by Steve King.

Item 12: Cyber bullying policy (1 document attached as below) cyber Vic policy draft 2

I have had the opportunity to view the VKA Policy and I believe that this should be adopted as a National Policy.

Moved: NSW

- That the AKA adopt the VKA cyber policy document with changes.
 - Removing VKA references and replacing it with AKA.
 - Referencing the AKA rules in regards to parents etc

Second: VIC

Abstained : WA

Carried

Moved NSW

That the AKA reimburse the VKA the cost of getting the policy done. Approx \$1400.00

Second: VIC

Carried

Item 13: Drug Testing – accreditation

We have signed up to the ADASA and we have to supply entry lists for National and State Championships, we have the first round of the CIK coming up. Questions: Have and do we supply entry lists to the ADSA? Do we have Officials trained in the use of Drug Testing (Lick Sticks and Alcometer)? Are we compliant to the Policy? Since the introduction of the ADSA Policy should we not each year have Lee issue a release that informs our member to go the website and check for their medication? I did this recently and one of my medications required a TUE (Therapeutic Use Exemption). Some of our competitors who suffer from Asma will require TUE'S as well, we need to keep the competitor informed. Also we should have a Drug Testing Kit as part of our National package to those clubs running National Events.

The Drug testing is to be done at State and National championships including CIK

Drug wipe training session.

Jeremy Coles (pathtech) – will accredit AKA members put up from that states on a telephone hook up. He will supply the sample and a PDF presentation (via email) which can be reviewed during the telephone hook up.

National secretary to forward out to State secretaries a request for anyone interested in being accredited to do the drug test at a State or National event. States are to approve the person nominated and forward to National secretary.

AKA to have Lee put on the website a reminder that karters will need to check the ADSA website and check their medication and get a TUE (Therapeutic Use Exemption).

Pam to work with Lee on putting this on the site.

General Business:

1. NT: Daniel Baker appeal where are we at with this?
This is in the hands of the AKA solicitor.
2. NT: Where are we at with the two committee's dealing with the future of engines?
Craig Denton to follow up on the progress of the two committees.
3. Next teleconference meeting to be 21st February.

Meeting closed 11.03pm

The following items to be dealt with at the next NKC meeting.

Item 14: Stock held in National Office (WA item)

Item: 15 NSW (9 documents attached as below)

- Natsoft Proposal
- Correspondence from Sarah Collins
- Tribunal Recommendations
- CMS Access – National Office Staff
- Tribunal Recommendations 14th Dec 2011
- AKA Low res version for the web site
- Supp regs for Brian Farley Memorial
- Request for CMS special report
- Memo to National re 5th Exec Position Jan 2012

Item: 16 SA (1 document attached)

- Letter re come and try track density

Item: 17 QLD (1 document attached as below)

- QLD NKC Agenda 26112

Minutes Approved by:

Craig Denton
AKA President
7th February 2012