

Welcome to the January 2024 edition of the ABKC news.

We welcome clubs that have joined including Daniel Ricciardo Club and Rye House Kart Club, bringing membership up to 36. Please all remember to attend the Zoom meeting for the **AGM** on Thursday 8th February at 7pm. Please send any formal items for discussion to the Secretary and nominations for Chair, Secretary and the rest of the Steering Group by 25th January. After that an updated Agenda will be sent out.

Cadet Tyres update

Hopefully everyone has seen the Motorsport UK press release about the change to Vega tyres. With effect from 01 April 2024 the tyres for use in all Cadet classes will be changing from the existing Dunlop slick and wet tyres to the following tyres from Vega:

Slick: Vega Cadetti 'UK' Wet: Vega WM1 (CIK homologated)
The slick tyre will carry a specific "UK" marking near to the barcode on the sidewall, the wet tyre is a CIK homologated model and will be marked accordingly. The current Dunlop slick and wet tyres will remain the only eligible Cadet tyres at clubs up to and including 31 March 2024, when the changeover to the new Vega tyres will be immediate with no overlap. The Vega importer is Andy Cox Racing.

The Gold Book

Due to a slight delay with the contract please note that the printed version of the 2024 Karting Yearbook is now incorrect in that it does not reflect the new 01 April 2024 introduction date for the Vega tyres – this has now been amended (2024 Karting Yearbook Amendment 1 – available in the Resource Centre on the Motorsport UK website) and the online version of the Karting Yearbook reflects the correct situation.

FIA Motor Sport Games 2024

The countdown is on to the third FIA Motorsport Games to be held in Valencia, Spain next October and Motorsport UK is now welcoming prospective drivers to register their interest to be a part of Team UK in front of 45,000 spectators over 23-27 October.

Motorsport UK is anticipating a strong team of competitors to represent the nation in Valencia and is welcoming drivers to apply for consideration of becoming a member of Team UK. See <https://www.motorsportuk.org/your-chance-to-represent-team-uk-at-the-2024-fia-motorsport-games>

In Karting, the Junior OK and Senior OK Sprint categories will return using pooled and supplied equipment to ensure a truly level playing field and make access to the event cost effective while Karting Endurance will welcome female/male pairings aged 14 and over. The new addition in this discipline is Karting Mini, which will be introduced for drivers aged

between eight and 11. Using group 3 mini 60 karts again all material supplied by the organisers RGMMC/FIA.

Terms and conditions and regulations can be found via the Motorsport UK news item. Regulations for the disciplines will be shared with applicants when they are made available by the FIA. Entry fees vary from 500 euros for Mini, 750 for Slalom and 900 to 990 for the OK's.

FIA-CIK World Championship at PF International

Remember that PFI will host the OK & OKJ world championship, and the OK-N World Cup on 12-15 September.

Event Paperwork

Motorsport UK would like to remind clubs to ensure they are returning the required forms with the Steward (or Comp Sec if no steward) at the end of each event, which is very important. Apparently often missing are the medical information, and scrutineering information for clubs participating in the trial. They also ask that Comp Secs check licences for 2024 validity.

National Licences

Amongst other changes for 2024 the number of signatures required for a National kart licence has increased to ten, at a minimum of three venues, of which the ARKS test counts as one of the signatures. Therefore another four after no longer being a novice needed on the Record Card which must be submitted for the Steward of Clerk signature. Results sheets are also acceptable.

Chief Marshal and Event details request

The National Chair of the BMMC, Nadine Lewis, has asked if all clubs could email her with details of their Chief Marshal and dates of events please, to bmmc.chair@marshals.co.uk. This is to help co-ordinate the use and supply of volunteer marshals for events and so they can offer their members to events.

Motorsport UK would encourage anyone wishing to Marshal at our events to complete the Registered Marshal Accreditation Course and register as a Marshal. More information can be found on the Volunteers page on our website

<https://www.motorsportuk.org/volunteers/marshals/> and for any Marshal related questions please email marshals@motorsportuk.org

Websites

Finally could we ask all clubs to have clear information on their websites to show their fees, their championship regulations, the SRs for the upcoming meeting and their policies.