



## C.K.R.A. – AGM – AGENDA

### Minutes by Kevin McIntee

April 4, 2009

Present at the meeting was Luc Jalbert, Mathieu Boudreau, Emile LeBlanc, Greg Matheson, Ross Babineau, Gerald Caseley, Kevin McIntee, Dawson McIntee, Rick Van Snick, David Meade, Roland LeBlanc, Rejean LeBlanc, Roger Matheson, Wayne Lenentine, Rick LeBlanc, Beth Kennedy, Aaron Kennedy, Reed Kennedy, Colin Matheson, Wanda Campbell, Brian Campbell, Jean Guy Chevarie, Stewart Corscadde, Brandon Walker, Ken Walker Connon Walker, Pat White, Jayden Reid, Victor Macintosh, Buddie Munn, Eric Jalbert, Michelle Savoie, Jacque Landry, Lloyd Kelly, Allain Meloche, Benoit Leblanc, Allen Lowther, Julien Leblanc, Joel White, Anne Belliveau-LeBlanc, Dylan Lenentine, David Lowther, Francis LeBlanc, Marc Reid.

**11:25am Rick VanSnick CKRA presidents** calls the meeting to order, handouts given out to the members

- AGM agenda minutes
- 2008 AGM Minutes
- 2008 Financial Report

**Welcome:** – Ladies & Gentlemen, I would like to welcome you to the CKRA annual general meeting. I would also like to thank those who traveled from afar to attend. My name is Rick VanSnick, president of the CKRA. We will try to move our Agenda along as quickly as possible. Again, thank you for coming today as we look forward to an exciting 2009 season.

### **Presidents Report** – Rick

The 2008 season was very successful with 8 points races held. Our membership grew by 16 new members of which approx 10 were from PEI. Our club finished the 2008 season with a small surplus. Many of our club drivers raced in the AKRS Series, Quebec Cup, Canadian Nationals as well as the Florida Winter Tour. My observation after 2 years in this sport is that the CKRA produces exceptional drivers who are capable of being very competitive anywhere in North America and abroad. On behalf of the club I would like to congratulate all of our drivers and crews for the professionalism and excellence you bring not only to the CKRA but also to Karting. Being my first year as president and only being involved in Karting for 2 years I have learned a tremendous amount about this sport and met many,

many wonderful people whom our family has made tremendous friendships. I have learned that the true success of this club is possible because of the volunteers we have. Anytime I have picked up the phone or sent an email about needing people to help out for an event, it always amazes me how quickly the club members are to respond. I would like to thank everyone for the tremendous support given so graciously.

As the 2009 season quickly approaches, my main objective is to work hard on promoting our sport and increasing the membership. We need to get the message out that we are a family orientated, fun, professional and well organized recreational group. I will be asking everyone for input on ideas to promote our club and the sport of kart racing. Let's keep the momentum going and make this club even greater than it already is. Thank you all very much for your support.

### **Vice Presidents Report – Kevin McIntee**

Another year in the books and 2008 has proved to be growing year for CKRA. The merger with Island Kart Club and new members joining CKRA has recorded a record number of members for CKRA. Volunteers continue prove to be the back bone of CKRA with their hard work and dedication, all of CKRA's success would not be possible. Thank you to all the volunteers that give their time and expertise.

A pat on the back or a at -a- boy to all the drivers, as on track racing was exciting and intense. We seen drivers improve their skill through out the 8 race schedule. We had seen first time winner, and crowing of great champions that are poised to repeat in 2009. Off track activities proved to be just as great, as new friendships have been formed and old friendship reinforced with sportsmanship and comrodtory. During the off season CKRA members continue to impress with incredible runs in the Florida Winter Tour.

2009 will challenge the executive team, volunteers and its members to duplicate a great successful 2008 racing season.

### **Secretary Report - Minutes from AGM 2008 Accepted**

**Lina Gallant** sent her regret to the 2009 AGM, Rick Ask that the 2008 CKRA AGM Minutes be accepted. Motion was presented by Ross Babineau. Motion was seconded by Emile Leblanc. Motion Passed.

### **Treasurers Report – Financial statement. – Reed Kennedy**

Reed presents his report to the members by backing up the statement given earlier by the President and Vice President Report. Reed reports that Karting and CKRA is a family activity, and thanks having a great executive team.

Reed asks members to review the financial report, starting with Revenue he points out the increase in Membership fees. Reed said the increases are due to several Drivers needing a Regional, as a requirement the driver first need to join a local Club. Reed points out that Race Day Fees are lower from the years past as we had less number of races in 2008 (8) compared to (10) in years past. Reed reports higher Banquet Auction earnings from years past. Moving to the Expenses section of the report, Reed reports lower track fees, again due to lower number of races. Reed reports a surplus for 2008 and reviews the outstanding Receivables and Account Payables.

Rick VanSnick makes motion to accept the financial report; Motion is seconded by Al Meloche. Motion Passed.

### **Web Site Administrator Report/Race Day Sponsor Report – Kevin McIntee**

As the Site administrator I want to first thank David Meade for his work and contribution to the Club website. The majority of the information he maintained can still be found on the site. Over the winter the Club purchased the Domain name CKRANB.ca this will be the Internet name space for our Clubs web site. We are on a year to year contract for the Domain name and hosting space, the annually cost for this service is \$95 CND. With this new service we have more capability and no limitation as to what we can do in there. Moving forward I invite all your comments and suggestions for layout, and content. This is your site, your communication portal, let's maximize its potential.

### **Race Day Sponsor**

I can not take credit for acquiring the sponsors of 2008; most were already inked in the schedule. With that said a big thank you for your sponsorship and interest in CKRA, and its members;

RBC Royal Bank of Canada

NBK Racing

Grant Thornton

Amherst Insurance Agencies

ICPEI

Just'a Drop

4 Season Trophies

CKRA

Last season we were short 2 sponsors and the trophy cost was covered by the club. With the tentative posted schedule we will require 9 Race Day sponsors. The minimum cost to sponsor a race day is \$225, this cost just cover the cost of Trophies. Anyone that has a business and would like to sponsor a race day please let me know. If anyone has a lead to a potential sponsor, and it not comfortable approaching them, I can do.

### **Race Directors Report – Ross - Head Starters Report - Ross Babineau**

Nothing new to report, 2008 was a good year

### **Technical Directors Report – David Meade**

David reviews the two rule book put out by ASN, David points out the new rules changes for 2009. David reports as written in the rule book that opening the engine after qualifying until the required kart are call to the tech shed could be DQ as per the rule. David continues to say that by asking permission for the technical director to open the engine to fix a mechanical failure is at his discretion and would not result in a DQ. David points out that all karts are impounded after the race until the technical director releases the kart by declaring which karts are going to tech, usually the top 3 but notes it is at his discretion which kart are to go. David reviews the rule stating the side pod must be double loop, a construction that is found on 2003 and newer karts. An amendment over rides this rule stating as long as the side pod are CKI approved. David reviews the Transponder location a new rule that was introduced in 2007. David states that the rule book state that if a part falls off a kart it is DQ. David reviews the new engine rule regarding CC the new rule states that the engine must be 28cc and on GX160 a minimum of 21cc.

*23. HONDA GX-160/K-1, GX-160/T-1, GX-160CC SPECIFICATIONS*

*f) Combustion Chamber Volume: 21.00 cc. minimum.*

David review the rule that was in place for 2008 with regards to the exhaust silencer be supported by a bracket to an approved engine bolt location. He states that if the header

were to break it would not come off the kart and thus the kart would not be DQ. If the exhaust use was not properly tethered then the infraction would result in a DQ. David asks that the silencer be tethered to the kart and that it be written into the CKRA Sub Regulations. David restates that as long as the pipe and silencer are still one piece, you would be able to keep your position, if not it is a DQ.

*25. HONDA EXHAUST SYSTEMS Page 32 Book2*

*A broken header will pass post-race Technical inspection provided that the entire header/silencer is still attached to the Kart by the support brace and/or the tether, AND the entire exhaust system is in compliance with the Regulation. If the header and silencer are separated and cannot be presented as a complete unit to Technical inspection, the entrant is excluded.*

David move to a new rule which discuss rocker arm ratio, and that he will built a tool that will measure the ratio as per the ASN rule book. He also notes that the tool will be valid as it is at the desecration of the Technical Director.

*28.6. Valve Springs Book 2 pages 36*

*b) Checking Rocker Arm Ratio:*

*Actual valve lift at the retainer with*

David move to a new rule which discuss piston and rings for 4 Stroke are to be 1mm thick and not filed to fit.

*See Canadian Karting Regulations BULLETIN 09-01 Book 2 Technical Regulations*

No lock nuts on the carburetors

*21.3. Fasteners page 24 Book 2*

*d) Carburetor retention nuts may not be locking type.*

No washer on the spark plug minimum 3/1000<sup>th</sup>

*22. HONDA FOUR-CYCLE ENGINE PREPARATION page 26 Book 2*

*r) Spark plug gasket: A gasket and/or a temperature gauge sensor must be installed under the upper*

*gasket surface of the plug.*

*The height (thickness) of the gasket/sensor must be greater than 0.003"*

From the floor a suggestion was to put a link to David Email for anyone who had questions.

David makes a point that if a part was DQ and you ask for it back you lose your right to appeal that DQ

Rick VanSnick speaks up to make the point that the rules are not all that bad and everyone is around to help out.

David Meade suggest to members to focus more on the sporting book one. As drivers must take control of there fathers/Mothers as they can get their child DQ. Anybody from the team can get the driver DQ.

### **Race Day Registration**

David Meade reports that he is to the track on time each morning, he drives 1.5 hour to get there, and asks members to have the correct paperwork filled out and the correct amount of money. David asks that they be given a break as well because they are there to race too.

### **Race Day scoring & Championship Points Report – Rejean Leblanc**

Reports that race points were calculated and sent off to the website administrator.

### **Fund Raising & Promotions committee Report. – Promotion of the sport of Karting (Race results to Newspapers, Radio, Cable Television, Mall Shows, Demonstration event, Car Show & Parades) – Rejean Leblanc**

Rejean reports that some race results were submitted to the newspaper, not all were printed. The Car show was a success, could not take all the credit, but went well.

### **Scale Report – Roland Leblanc**

Roland is working an issue and should be resolved by May. Water damaged one of the load cells, and wants to add a parallel drain pipe to help drain the water away. Looking to add this to the maintenance day schedule. Ken Walker offers to donate any plumbing materials needed to complete this project.

### **Any other Old Business?**

Rick VanSnick calls for any old business. None was brought forward.

### **Elections 2009:**

Only one vacant spot is called to members and that is the Secretary Position. Rick calls for any Nominations. Speak about the job description of Secretary; Ross Babineau adds that it is a great way to get involved with limited amount of time requirement. With no nominations from the floor Rick states that he will send out an email to see if anyone would want to fill the position.

### **Election of Club Executive**

Reed Kennedy explains the election process for the Directors cooperation act. Directors are allowed to stand without election. The Directors are for the corporation act and have no activities, more or less paperwork.

The election Process for the club executives is slight different as a call for nominations 3 times is required to allow filled positions to stand.

Reed calls for nomination for President 3 times, no nominations Rick VanSnick stands as President.

Reed calls for nomination for Vice President 3 times, no nominations Kevin McIntee stands as Vice President.

Rick VanSnick calls for nomination for Treasure 3 times, no nominations Reed Kennedy stands as Treasure.

- President – Rick VanSnick
- Vice President – Kevin McIntee
- Treasurer – Reed Kennedy
- Secretary – Vacant

### **Corporate Directors**

- David Meade
- Al Meloche
- Roland Leblanc

Motion to allow Directors and Club executives to stand, Motion call by Ross Babineau and seconded by Emile Leblanc. Motion Carried.

**News: ARMS- Karting Director report 2008 + news for 2009. Regional series etc... (Emile LeBlanc)**

Emile Leblanc will continue to provide regional licenses to drivers for the 2009 racing season. Emile reports that last year he was not around much but will be this summer and that the fees will remain the same for 2009. \$50 for a year and \$20 for a day pass. Emile stresses he needs a copy of your medical with your application. This is for there coverage to be able to provide that information if needed in a case of an accident. Your application and medical does not carry over, he need a copy and application time. Emile comments on the form being used to apply for your License, it is old and he is trying to get it updated. Emile explains an issue with the web administrator of the ARMS Site and the compilations to get the form updated. Rookie will still need 3 club races under there belt before running in a regional race. It is at Emile desecration to allow a rookie driver to race. From the floor it was asked if Pre-Novice would be recognized as experience, Emile response was yes. Emile comments on the fact that Snell 2000 helmet will expire this year and Snell 2005 will be the new minimum requirement. A discussion arose from a rule in ASN rule book pointed out by David Meade, that minimum age for a regional license is 9 years old. Including Regional D and Regional C. With driving experience Emile has the right to override the age rule stated by ASN.

**Membership –**

- **Membership fees 2009. – proposed changes – Tax Receipt Grant**  
Thornton has confirmed that the tax receipt for Child sport tax credit does not include Motorsports. This proposed change has been withdrawn.

**Race Day fee**

Race day fees remain the same for 2009 for single driver at \$50. For families with 2 drivers the first driver is \$50 the second is \$35. Fees for Families with a driver in two different classes are, first class is \$50 the second Class is \$35. A family has been defined as immediate family, Mom Dad and children. Drivers from two different families will not be given the second driver rate. From the floor a discussion arose from being a Grandparent and why that would not be allowed. Reed suggested that this be table under new business. Question help until new business. (See new business and Family get redefined). Reed explains how our Race day fees are calculated. A fee goes to the track owner (Gerald Cassely) at \$23.50 per kart and a discounted amount for a second kart at \$12.50. The rest goes to the insurance cost for hold event.

**Membership forms for 2009 are up on the website.**

Deadline date for Membership forms – April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2009( late penalty of \$25.00) excluding new members. Applications can be submitted at the car show.

**Al Meloche – New Members support?** Al Meloche is available to provide new driver support also Gerald is available at the track

**2009 schedule** – part of the Attached documents.

**Ross suggests using pylons for start of race – Ross** as seen during the Florida Winter tour, Ross believes this will help the driver getting into turn one. Ross announces he will be strict on the coming to green speeds as 90% of the accidents occur in turn one. AKRS has move to use this same start type 2009.

**Gerald Caseley - Track Fees for Practice, race Day Finish Time (3:00PM) AKRS Report.**

Gerald researched the track practice fees from other tracks through out Canada and has arrived at an average of \$300 - \$450. Gerald announces EKC practice fees at \$50/per day and \$200 for the year. Gerald will supply lunch during track clean up day. The Fredericton AKRS Race date has been tentatively set for July 24-26. Prizes from AKRS have reached \$8000 given back to the drivers in prizes and trips. Gerald announces an engine sealing procedure for AKRS, he asks the engine builders drill a hole in the head bolt similar to Rotax Sealing. Gerald explains that crew chiefs will have the option to get tech on Saturday then seal the engine for tech on Sunday or get tech both day. If your engine is sealed on Saturday and fails tech on Sunday a DQ will apply to both Sunday and Saturday events. This procedure was design to reduce cost of engine rebuilding and same some tech time on Saturday. Tires will be sold by AKRS and branded; you will have the option to buy one set of tires per weekend. Practice time is on Friday of race weekend. Gerald comments on the ASN Nationals being held at Goodwood Kartways a track not much bigger then Moncton.

**# Races – 9 club Races, 7 at Moncton, 1 points race at Burlington, 1 invitational Enduro Race at Burlington, 2 drops, discussion.** A conflict was pointed out as a Club race was scheduled for July 26. Because the ARKS were not set in stone, we have to hold off on the discussion.

**ASN Nationals, Quebec Cup & Eastern Quebec Cup Races.**

No races reported at Mont-Joli.

**Senior Light Weight 335lbs or same as National Rules.**

A motion was made for CKRA and ARKS to adopt the weight for senior class to what the ASN National weight is. Motion by David Meade and seconded by Ross Babineau. Motion was amended as ASN does not release the weights for each class until a few weeks before the event. Motion was moved to accept a weight of 335lbs for the senior class.

**Podium Dress to be strictly enforced this season, Kart Suits must be worn; Helmets must be with drivers for podium finishes.** Suit is not to be worn around the waist; failure to comply will result in no trophy.

**Rotax Senior/Junior Class 2009 –**

Rotax class will use a 10 minute qualifying session 2 pre-final and a final. Champion points will be calculated the same as CKRA 4 Stroke classes.

Rejean Leblanc raises a point about inverting the field in the senior class, that by inverting slower drivers start on the pole and most time wish to start in the rear. A

question was raised on the procedure to adjust the field when a driver moves to the back. ASN rules state that the line the Kart moves out from would move forward. Rejean Leblanc makes a motion for CKRA to adopt the qualifying procedure as per ASN and not to invert the field. Gerald Caseley speaks up and asks to give his thoughts on the matter before voting occurs. Gerald starts out with his opinion on the way CKRA inverts the field. He says when Gerald Jr. first started racing at CKRA he hated the way the field was inverted, but now likes it as it builds and preparing for a better driver. Young Gerald is a product of that, if not the fastest will always run up front and never learns to pass. Ross Speaks up and agrees, he hated in the beginning as well but now see how it develops the driver better. Rejean LeBlanc withdraws his motion.

**Qualifying only, laps the same as Senior 4 cycle.** I think this was skipped

**Used Tire Rule (Rotax Class only)** – Used Tires only for Rotax, No New Tires allowed on Race Day. What is used for Practice is used for qualifying and racing. Tire type is Mojo. This rule is to reduce cost at the club level.

**Senior Heavy/Masters Class 2009** – CKRA will add a new class for 2009 Senior/Master class at 370lbs and a minimum age of 15 years old. 3 drivers will be needed to run this class on its own. Drivers will not be able to carry over Senior Heavy / Master points to Senior class.

Break for Lunch 1:15PM  
Meeting resumes 2:10PM

**New Novice Plates** – Dalton Enterprises donates laser cut, anodized, steel, serial numbered, and CKRA stamped restrictor plates to be used in the Novice class for 2009.

**Bridgestone Contract.** – Motion to accept the Bridgestone contract. Motion presented by Al Meloche. Seconded by David Meade. Motion carried

**Saint John Ambulance** – Reed to check this out for 2009. Ross raised a question during practice if we have any neck braces or back board, Reed Kennedy answered yes, there stored in the trailer.

**Race Day Fees 2009-** Same Driver – different class Race Day Fees. \$50/35 Covered earlier in the meeting, see above.

**Maintenance/Clean Up Day** – Clean-up, Levelling of CKRA trailer, Put up cabinet that Luc's father graciously donated, complete repairs on roof of tower, painting of Gerald's trailer.

**ASN Nationals** – Support for CKRA drivers suggested \$1,000.00 – Motion given by Ross Babineau, seconded by Emile LeBlanc. Motion Carried.

**New Radios** – Motion to purchase 2 radios and sharing with AKRS radios, also allow ARKS use of the 2 CKRA purchases. Motion given by Al Meloche, seconded by ????. Motion Carried

**Large Display sign for the track** – Motion that club allow up to \$350.00 for an Aluminium 4X8 sign to be displayed at the track road side. Quotes for the sign are to be

obtained by members. Motion given by Rick VanSnick and Seconded by Luc Jalbert. Motion Carried.

**Weather Station/MaxJet software purchase for member use** – Motion presented by Luc Jalbert and seconded by Ross Babineau. Motion carried.

**Car Show Coordinator** – Rick had meet Greg Turner at a Xmas party, they hit it off and is 99% CKRA will get a donated spot on the main floor. This will provide greater exposure for the club. The Bike show was a success.

**Ideas on ways to promote the sport of Karting** – Rick is looking for ways to promote Karting. Email him your ideas and suggestions. Also mention getting in contact with Morrison from PEI as he had several ideas from a previous Island Kart meeting. One suggestion from the floor was a Media kart race, a billboard in metro Moncton.

**Driver Development School** – Motion to allow up to \$180 for Gerald Jr. for provide Driving school for new driver's registration with the club. Motion given by ????. Seconded by Mathieu Boudreau. Motion Carried.

- **Positions to be filled – (Appointments) Race Day Positions**
  - **Membership Services Coordinator** – Reed Kennedy
  - **Race Director** - Ross Babineau
  - **Head Starter** - Ross Babineau
  - **Race Day Scoring – running computer** – Beth Kennedy/Chandra Fearon
  - **Championship points coordinator** – Kevin McIntee
  - **Web Site Administrator.** - Kevin McIntee
  - **Track Registration & sign in & Transponder rental (charging, collection, and retrieval of transponders)** – Rick VanSnick
  - **50/50 Draw** - Beth Kennedy
  - **Fund Raiser Committee Chairperson (see below)** - Kevin McIntee
  - **PR Coordinator (see below)** - Kevin McIntee
  - **Maintenance coordinator (see below)** -
  - **New Racers Assistant** - Allain Meloche
  - **Corner Flaggers** - Mr. Kennedy
  - **Grid Marshall** – Francis LeBlanc
  - **Weight Scale Marshall** – Roland LeBlanc
  - **Tech Scrutineer (3)** – We be asking for flaggers during the drivers meeting.
  
- **Fund Raiser Committee Chairperson** – Kevin McIntee
  - **Race day Sponsors** - Kevin McIntee
  - **Club and Class Sponsors** - Kevin McIntee
  - **Car Show – April 24, 25, 26 – Volunteers needed – New space this year** – Rick VanSnick
  - **Race day Trophies – arrange and pick up trophies for each event.** - Kevin McIntee

- **PR Person for Club:** - Kevin McIntee
  - **Media announcements** - Kevin McIntee
  - **Statistics and Scoring** - Kevin McIntee
  - **Web Site Management & postings** - Kevin McIntee
  - **Year End Banquet Coordinator** – Beth Kennedy and Anne Belliveau-LeBlanc
  
- **Maintenance:**
  - **Scale (storage of weighing unit)** - Roland Leblanc
  - **Storage Box (cleaning and maintaining storage area.**
  - **Timing & Scoring equipment – upgrades etc.** - Beth Kennedy
  - **Tower (Roof needs to be finished)** - Rick VanSnick
  - **Radios ( batteries charged, replaced, maintained in working order)** – Rick VanSnick and Ross Babineau

#### New Business

**Old Trophies** – Recycling of old trophies, some families have abundant amount of trophies and want to donate them back to the club. A point from the floor states that all novices should receive a trophy. The Club will get new labels and affixed them for the novices.

**Definition of Family** – A motion from the floor was to include Grandparents to be considered a Family that have grandchildren in different families? Motion was presented by Lloyd Kelly, seconded by Marc Reid, Colin Matheson and Frank LeBlanc.

Gerald Caseley- has one last note; he will not be attending the car show, but wants the club to promote his kart league as many new drivers are coming from the league to race at the club level.

Rick VanSnick reviews the positions need to be assigned to someone, as the duty is read member would volunteer there name for the position.

#### ➤ **Closing comments**

Rick VanSnick asks members to grab some flyer to leave at business to promote the club.

A discussion arose regarding neck braces for all Rotax drivers. A motion was given to mandate all drivers in the Rotax class to wear a neck brace. The motion was shortly withdrawn as ASN does not make it mandatory and it is at the driver's preference. It was lead to believe this may be a result of how the insurance company wanted it worded so ASN would not be liable if an incident were to happen.

#### ➤ **Adjourn**

Motion to adjourn the meeting, not sure who made the motion and not sure who seconded it. But the motion was carries and the meeting was adjourned.