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VKA 2016 EVENT SCHEDULE

2016 EVENT SCHEDULE*						
1/30 – 31	Bushnell, FL (Bushnell Motorsports Park)	7/?????	VIR (WKC)			
2/4 - 6	Riverside, CA	8/15-16	Nat.Corvette Museum Pk.(DKC)			
3/????	Savannah (Roebling Rd.)(SKC)	8/25 - 27	Camden, OH			
3/17 – 19	Barnesville, GA	8/?????	Summit Pt.(WKC)			
4/22 - 23	Circleville, OH	9/?????	MIS (MKC)			
5/???	Summit Pt. (Shenandoah)(WKC)	9/23 & 24	Delmar, IA			
5/?????	Grattan Raceway, MI (DKC)	10/????	Adkins, OH			
5/20 & 21	Springfield, IL	10/13-15	Bakersfield, CA (Tier II)			
6/?????	Summit Point (WKC)	10/ ???	Savannah (Roebling Rd.)(SKC)			
6/23 - 25	New Castle, IN	10/14 – 15	Cuddebackville, NY			
6/19-21	Mid-Ohio (DKC)	10/?????	Summit Pt.(WKC)			
7/7 – 9	Brodhead, WI	10/?????	Nat.Corvette Museum Pk. (WKC)			
7/28 - 30	Avon, NY	11/?????	Atwater, CA (Tier II)			
VKA Events in BOLD TENTATIVE Vintage Enduro Events in ITALICS						

^{*} Early dates are firm. Some later dates and ALL Enduro dates cannot be posted as firm at this time.

VIR = VA Intnl. Raceway *MIS* = Michigan International Speedway SKC = Southern Kart Club

DKC = Dart Kart Club MKC= Michigan Kart Club WKA = World Karting Assn. WKC = Woodbridge Kart Club

EDITOR'S COMMENTS (SEND YOUR COMMENTS TO KARTNUMBER4@YAHOO.COM)

Keep in mind, this is your newsletter. If you have any comments or suggestions, please let me know at the email above.

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2016 VKA WALL CALENDAR

\$15.00 (\$10 @ track)

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Full Color with ALL VKA Events

and other important dates to plan your life around.

SEPTEMBER BOARD MEETING SUMMARY

There have been some incidents on the track. More information will be gathered and reported to the Board. We have 360 Members. An Enduro event was just held at Corvette Plant on a very smooth track. The Michigan International Speedway Enduro event is coming up. WKA and AKRA are trying to work together to get vintage Enduro karts to participate. The Kart Show participation at Camden was light, while the participation at Quincy was good. Some people apparently don't like pushing their karts to the show area. Discussion started on bringing out the straight axle sidewinder karts. Proposals under consideration were engine size and qualifying engines. If the class is established and grows, consideration could be given to separating engines. Discussion also included combining straight axle karts with other classes to limit the number of classes.

Balance as of 8/31/14 was \$14,032.62.

DELMAR SUMMARY & RESULTS BY JIM THOMPSON

Eighty-degrees and sunny for the event, just perfect weather. Eighty-one entries with some running as many as three classes.

Jim Donovan did his fantastic job of cooking for Friday and Saturday. Want to thank Todd and Jesse for the Italian sausage, peppers and bread, Sonny for the pork sandwiches, Jay for the pies, Bobby with the cakes, people that brought cookies, **61 KARTWAY** for the hot dogs and brats, and Jim went through 57 pounds of great chili.

Friday night off to Buff Lake where the drinks were cold and the fish was hot.

The people at **61 KARTWAY** did a fantastic job as always. Fred-the-Flagman did a great job of slowing down the karts on the start, along with having cones to keep the karts from passing before the starting line. No first turn issues all day. The two largest classes were Yamaha with 12 and Mac-49 with nine entries.

The Awards were handed out five minutes after the final race, so everyone could get started home, thanks to the crew at **61 KARTWAY**.

Next year, we are going to run one heat under the lights on Friday, then two heats the next day.

DELMAR DEMONSTRATION EVENT RESULTS				
Class	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	
Mac-49	Brian Jacobsen	Jeff Brown	Shawn Welte	
Junior	Kory Bennett			
Sportsman	Steve Welte	Autumn Nagel	Pearl Gamble	
Rear 6.1	Autumn Nagel	Scott Klingler	Jay Bruninga	
Rear 8.2	Scott Nagel	Jerry Nagle	Rick Parons	
Dual Rear & SW	Jerry Nagel	Shawn Welte	Jim Merritt	
S/W Amer. 6.1	Troy Brown	Bill McCornack	Bobby Lee	
S/W 8.2	Vern Bergman	Jerry Culp	Dan Reinbold	
S/W For. 100	Bud Bennett	Troy Whyte	David Sagen	
Stock Appearing	Vern Bergman	Marty Westen	Tom Day	
80-85	Jim Ryder	Troy Cozad	Brandon Dhuse	
Yamaha	Troy Cozad	Bobby Lee	Vern Bergman	
Sr. Over-60	Tom Day	Jerry Nagel	Kirk Gustafson	

DELMAR KART SHOW RESULTS				
CLASS	WINNER			
REAR UNRESTORED	'64 Dart; MC-75;Jessie Hicks			
REAR RESTORED	'63 Caretta; MC-45; Brian Sheridan			
REAR MODIFIED	'63 Bonanza; MC-49; Bob Lindquist			
PAST CHAMP	Fox; Dual PP Super 61s; Shadow (Brian & Dottie Thomas)			
S/W UNRESTORED	'84 Zip; Parrilla TT-25; Don Sagin			
S/W RESTORED	'71 Bug Stinger; K-88; Robert Cain			
S/W MODIFIED	'77 Hartman; MC-101; Tom Tredow			
PEOPLES' CHOICE	'63 Kavalla; WB-820; K.C. Munsell			



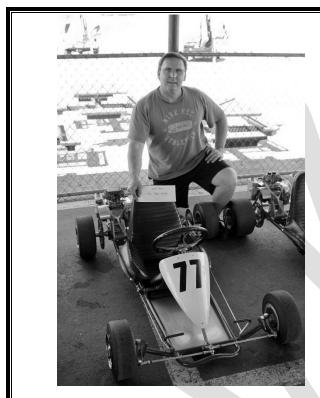
Best Un-Restored Original: 1959-1960 Moss, Mc 10. Don Orosco, Carmel Valley, CA.



BAKERSFIELD SUMMARY & RESULTS BY JOE SWANTEK

VKA Bakersfield held on October 1^{st} , 2^{nd} & 3^{rd} , at the Bakersfield Kart Raceway. Temperature was in the low 80's and there was a great kart show and heat races.

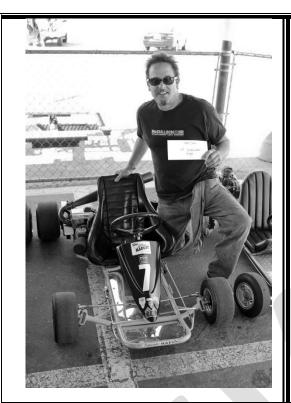
You should make plans to join us for this great event next year on October 13th, 14th, & 15th 2016.



Rear Single: Mike Frediani, San Jose, CA. 1968 Rupp Chaparral, Mc 101.



Rear Twin: Tom Smith, Novoto, CA. 1968 Rupp Chaparral, West Bend 820's.



Single Sidewinder: Vern Frediani, Concord, CA. 1972 Margay Cheetah MK II, Mc 101.



C Open: Richard Swantek, Pasadena, CA. 1977 Bug Black Widow, B-Bombs.

THANK YOU BY JIM DONOVAN

Another season is behind us and I want to thank each and every VKA member and the others who attend these events. The last event of the year for me is Delmar, Iowa and it was our usual "food fest." I think we also got some karting in, but I am never very sure of that since the food line starts at 11am and it closes around 2:30pm and we certainly eat very well. This year the line seemed even longer and some of the people in line were local farmers that heard about the good eats these "old" guys-on-go-karts have each year at the Neilson's farm (and go kart track). The weather was perfect two days in a row; temps in the mid 70's and no wind on Friday, and a very slight breeze on Saturday.

What makes this weekend so special for me is everyone likes to help-out and bring some food to be sure we have something to eat all weekend. The track is located just this side of "no-where" and because it is so remote, if you look to the west you can just see the last wagon train heading over the mountains. Where the track is located is that famous spot were Horace Greeley stood and said those famous words, "Go West, young man"... and that is why we have go karters in CA and the rest of us stayed east where they still have running water and plenty of it.

Yes, I can also be serious and thus the reason for my long, windy monologue before I finally get into my "THANK YOUs." There are many people that make this event (and others during the year) so enjoyable and, because I am old, I will forget to mention some of them, so I apologize for that beforehand. When you see these people at the next event be sure to thank them because they are the ones that paid for the food that each and everyone enjoys. Jesse James and Tod Hanold brought the great Italian sausage, dipping juice and sweet peppers that went along with the chili made by my daughter, Kate. The



brats were provided by Gary Wlodarsky, the pies were provided by Dr. Jay Bruninga (who also doubles as our emergency doctor if my cooking goes bad, a kart goes into the fence, or if anyone needs a heart transplant at the track. Dr. Jay was also the pilot that flew our former governor around that state of Illinois before he was retired by new Republican governor who thinks he can correct all the problems in Illinois. To quote another famous American "I have a dream" and that is all it will be for Illinois – a dream – if he thinks he can come up with 125 billion short-fall we have in the state treasury). The hot dogs were provided by the track owners, Cliff and Cheryl Neilson, the delicious pulled pork on Saturday was brought to you by Sonny Gerber; the home made cakes were made by Bobby Lee (yes, he really does bake them himself). For the cookies you ate, I can only say "thank you" because I did forget the donor's name. (That credit normally goes to Anne Teal who brings many dozen to many of the events.) I cannot forget to mention the behind-the-scene-man, Jim Thompson, who provided the paper plates, forks, and tank of LP gas.

The list of people who help is long, and they make it possible for me to have a successful cooking experience at the various tracks throughout the year. I count on many people during the year to bring me that tank of LP gas or a grill so I can get my pot of pulled pork hot or whatever I happen to bring to cook. There are so many people who make the VKA so enjoyable for me. I could take this whole magazine this month and try and list each and every one: John Berkey who helped me out at THE BIG ONE with his grill and corn, the Fenwick's that bring me corn and wieners, Mike from Rhode Island (greatest state in the Union, why—because I was born there) who brings some great fish that he cooked this year and treated many a hungry karter at Fremont.

There are many people I have forgotten to mention, but you know who you are and please accept <u>my</u> THANK YOU for making 2015 another enjoyable year at the track. We have fun and you made it the great year it was for me as well as your fellow karters. It is a fact, I never enjoyed karting as much as I do with the vintage 2-cycle racers. They know how to have fun and enjoy the sport. The karts they drive today never looked so good back in the day when they raced for glory. Today they drive to preserve history of the greatest years in our lives, the 50's, 60's and 70's when the world was so much more enjoyable and safe. I wish you all a wonderful Thanksgiving and Christmas and hope you have a safe and healthy New Year. I look forward to seeing each and every one of you in 2016 at one of the events.

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January 29-31 Bushnell, FL

* Recommended gearing as yet undetermined.

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