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# VKA EVENT 2015 SCHEDULE

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1/22 - 24	Jacksonville, FL	V	7/24-26	VIR (WKC)	Ø
2/5 - 7	Riverside, CA	$\checkmark$	7/30 - 8/1	Quincy, IL/MO	$\mathbf{\nabla}$
3/20-22	Savannah (Roebling Rd.)(SKC)	$\checkmark$	8/15-16	Ntl.Corvette Museum Pk.(DKC)	$\mathbf{\nabla}$
3/26 - 28	Barnesville, GA	V	8/20 - 22	Camden, OH	$\mathbf{\nabla}$
4/23 – 25	Circleville, OH	$\square$	8/28-30	Summit Pt.(WKC)	$\mathbf{\nabla}$
5/2-3	Summit Pt. (Shenandoah)(WKC)	$\square$	9/19-20	MIS (MKC)	
5/15-16	Grattan Raceway, MI (DKC)	$\square$	9/25 & 26	Delmar, IA	
5/22 & 23	Springfield, IL		10/1-3	Bakersfield, CA – Tier II	
6/13-14	Summit Point (WKC)	$\mathbf{\nabla}$	10/3-4	Savannah (Roebling Rd.)(SKC)	
6/18 – 20	New Castle, IN	$\square$	10/9 – 11	Cuddebackville, NY	
6/19-21	Mid-Ohio (DKC)	$\mathbf{\nabla}$	10/10-11	Summit Pt.(WKC)	
7/9 – 11	Brodhead, WI	$\mathbf{\nabla}$	10/23-25	Ntl .Corvette Museum Pk. (WKC)	3
7/23 – 25	Avon, NY	$\mathbf{\nabla}$	11/7 & 8	Atwater, CA – Tier II	7
	VKA Events in BOLD Vintage Enduro Events in ITALICS				

VIR = VA Intnl. Raceway *MIS* = Michigan International Speedway SKC = Souther 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)

Stay tuned. Although SNELL 2000 ratings HAVE expired, SNELL 2005 may be good past the end of this season, but not by much. Safety MUST be #1, so be sure your helmet is "current," other personal protective equipment (*i.e.*, neck collar, jacket, gloves, pants, shoes, rib protectors for Juniors) is in good condition, your nuts & bolts are cotter-pinned or safety-wired, third-bearings are installed, fire extinguishers are handy and I.C.E. info is available.

**DON'T FORGET**, VKA **Elections** are coming up. The deadline for applications is Sep. 30. If you are interested in joining the Board, or just helping out, please let the Board know. Applications requirements are on line (<u>www.VKAkarting.com</u>) under the "Members" tab in the Organization and Operations link. Application needs to be sent to Louie Figone (<u>louiemtb@aol.com</u>) by Sep. 30.

 ALSO, the Board reviews the *Guidelines* every year. Submit your suggestions to the Safety Committee (<u>Amstar@ameritech.net</u>)

 Among current issues are: chain, helmets, "small" intake manifolds, 3<sup>rd</sup> bearing supports and clutches.

 *Rolf*

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### WANTED: IT ASSISTANT

If you, or your son or daughter, or your grandson/granddaughter are computer literate and want to help the IT Director, please contact me. <u>KartNumber4@Yahoo.com</u>. Some duties include "approving" new requests for access to the FORUM, posting pictures and event flyers.

#### JULY BOARD MEETING SUMMARY

The issue of "rough driving" was discussed. For everyone's safety, this needs to be addressed. There are 361 members. Five Members were added at the Brodhead Event, which also brought-in a total of \$875 to VKA. Due to the weather, the Kart Show at New Castle was held indoors.

issue in the Evolution Of Kart

CORRECTION

In last month's issue in the *Evolution Of Karting* article, I confused the terms "cycle," "stroke" and "revolution." I know the difference, so I hope you understood the point I was trying to make about 2-cycles being more efficient than 4-cycles. The question remains ... why did karting evolve from 2-cycle to 4-cycle engines? (Thanks, Louie.)

Balance as of 7/31/15 was \$13,398.65.

#### AVON SUMMARY & RESULTS

Avon was a combined Tier I and Tier II event. Four Tier I "scored" classes plus a multitude of Tier II "classes" filled the event. Below, are the results of the scored classes:

	AVON DEMONSTRATION EVENT RESULTS				
Class	$1^{st}$	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>		
Mac-49	David Santee	Lora Phippen	Jeff Brown		
Rear 6.1	Brian Santee	Rolf Hill	Doug Tenney		
S/W Amer. 6.1	Skip Owen	Jeff Tregler	Bob Anderson		
Yamaha	Skip Owen	Kent Windham	Ryan Mallory		

AVON KART SHOW RESULTS		
CLASS	WINNER	
<b>REAR UNRESTORED</b>	~'60 Rupp Daily K Jr.; Dual MC-10s; A. Kent Windham	
<b>REAR RESTORED – TIE</b>	'60 Dart Lancer; WB 820; Bruce Ristow	
<b>REAR RESTORED – TIE</b>	'61 Putt-Nik Demon; WB 580; Al Postiglione	
<b>REAR MODIFIED</b>	'60 Putt-Nik Super Leo; Clinton E-65; John McCorvey	
REAR PAST CHAMP	'64 Fox; MC-91 m/c; Rolf Hill	
S/W UNRESTORED	'70-'71 Big J Lancer; MC-93; Ralph & Betty Spithaler	
S/W RESTORED	'77 Margay Panther X; MC-92; Skip Owen	
<b>PEOPLES' CHOICE</b>	'70 Margay MK-2; MC-91b1; Bob Anderson	



#### ENDURO STATUS PART II BY DICK CHAREST

Editor's Note: In the August issue, Dick Charest discussed his enduro karting history, enthusiasm to help promote vintage enduro karting and his and Rick Chapman's views on the direction vintage enduro karting should take. In Part II, Dick discusses the reaction and results of the VKA Enduro Karting effort.

Late in 2014, there was a major shake-up in the World Karting Association (WKA). Several of the previous "players" were no longer there and I did not know who to talk to about vintage kart road racing within WKA. Over the next several months a schism developed in enduro karting with the "Northern" tracks deciding to run under American Kart Racing Association (AKRA) sanction and the "Southern" tracks deciding to remain with WKA sanction. While attending a WKA sprint race at the GoPro Motorplex in

Mooresville, NC in mid-April 2015, I spoke with John Ferris, the new WKA President. He suggested I contact Dale Coffey who is heading up the WKA road racing program.

I had been working on a set of vintage classes and rules to try to bring more structure to vintage enduro karting within WKA. I bounced them off Rick Chapman and a few other vintage enduro karters to get a "sanity check" on what I was proposing. Rick and others were OK with what I had developed. It was very close to what Rick is trying to get AKRA to run for vintage enduro karts.



On 4-23-15, I talked to Dale Coffey and he said to send him my proposal and he would get the WKA road racing committee to review it. On 4-27-15, I revised the proposed rules and sent them to Dale Coffey. My goal was to keep the format simple with minimal rules but still group similar engines together to balance the competition. I was trying to find a mutually agreeable common ground for all vintage karters which will encourage increased participation in vintage road racing. Below is what I proposed to WKA.

#### Vintage USA 1 and Vintage USA 2

Competition Age: 15 and up

<u>Engines</u>: American fan cooled engines (100cc-125cc McCulloch and 100cc-135cc West Bend), engine modifications are allowed, any carb(s) and intake can be used <u>Weight</u>: No minimum weight <u>Pipe</u>: Any pipe can be used <u>Fuel</u>: Open fuel



# Vintage Piston Port 1 and Vintage Piston Port 2

<u>Competition Age</u>: 15 and up <u>Engines</u>: Yamaha KT-100, ARC, DAP T-50, TKM BT-82, PCR PP-100, PRD, engine modifications are <u>not</u> allowed (engines to be stock), stock carb and intake must be used <u>Weight</u>: No minimum weight <u>Pipe</u>: Any pipe <u>Fuel</u>: Gas only

#### Vintage Unlimited 1 and Vintage Unlimited 2

<u>Competition Age</u>: 15 and up <u>Engines</u>: Any single cylinder air cooled engine up to 150cc. Two, single cylinder air cooled engines up to 150cc each engine modifications are allowed, any carb(s) and intake can be used. <u>Weight</u>: No minimum weight <u>Pipe</u>: Any pipe

<u>Fuel</u>: Open fuel

#### <u>Notes</u>:

WKA safety tech applies to all vintage classes (chassis and personal safety gear);

Vintage karts and engines must be at least 25 years old; No transmissions allowed on Vintage karts – no 125cc or 250cc gearbox engines; VKA FIRSTURN<sup>©</sup> -3-MMXV No. 9

No bodywork allowed on any vintage karts; No full floor pans allowed on any vintage karts – all floor pans must be between the main frame rails; Upgrade to brake systems allowed and encouraged (for safety);

No restriction on tire compounds – any good quality tire is acceptable (Bridgestone, Dunlop, etc.);

Axle clutches up to the Horstman axle clutch are allowed (Hegar, Hartman, Proline, Horstman) – no modern axle clutches allowed (SMC, etc.);

No post-race tech inspection;

Race 1 on first race day and Race 2 on second race day.

On 6-3-15, I called Dale Coffey to get an update on my proposal. Dale said his committee had reviewed my proposal and solicited input from the WKC, the DKC, and the Southern Kart Club (SKC). One point he made is that vintage needed to be a "local option" class and not a "national" class in WKA road racing. I said that was fine since we really don't have sufficient numbers of vintage road racers to justify a "national" class. I told him we still want to be part of their road racing events so we could run our vintage enduro karts. Dale said that Woodbridge wants to stay with the vintage format they currently have and have been running for several years. That is understandable since their members are happy with it. Dart is going with the AKRA format



that is very similar to my proposal above. Southern is satisfied with leaving things alone so essentially the "run what you brung" format will continue there.

While attending a vintage enduro race at VIR on 7-25-15 I spoke with Arthur McKenny. Arthur is involved with the vintage committee of the Woodbridge Kart Club (WKC). He was familiar with what I had sent to WKA and wanted me to know that Woodbridge is fine with vintage enduro karters running their vintage enduro karts at WKC events. The karts must comply with the safety tech rules, but they do <u>not</u> have to comply with the specific WKC vintage class rules (weight, carb, pipe, fuel, *etc.*) as long as they do not run for WKC points towards a WKC vintage class year-end point championship. I was also informed that AKRA and WKC plan to allow the SMC axle clutch in the Vintage Piston Port class in 2016.

**So the bottom line is** that there are three different formats for vintage enduro karts depending on where you run your kart. That is not really a problem because each format has a place for whatever vintage enduro kart you want to run. Remember that the important thing is that we remain part of a program so we have road racing facilities where we can run our vintage karts. That's the real "reward."

The real "reward" is just getting to run our vintage enduro karts on great road courses that otherwise we would not get to do.

We are about half way through the 2015 vintage enduro season with events still to be run at the National Corvette Museum Motorsports Park, Michigan International Speedway, Summit Point, and Roebling Road. At each of these events you can run your vintage enduro kart either one or two times over the weekend. However, the October vintage event at Roebling Road is unique. For one entry fee you get all the usual practice sessions and four on-track demonstration Heats. Last year we ran two, 15-minute vintage-only demonstration Heats on Saturday and two more on Sunday. Vintage sprint karts are welcomed to run with the vintage enduro karts so sprinters can just change the gearing on their kart and experience running a full road racing facility. There is also a reduced entry fee for first time vintage enduro karters. One last benefit is that Ed Sahagian's shop is only about a mile from Roebling Road and Ed has said that if any vintage participant has a problem with his kart or engine on Saturday, Ed will try to repair the vintage kart or engine so that the participant can get back on track for another demonstration Heat on Sunday. Best of all, Ed said he will provide the repair labor for free. You may need to provide or purchase a part, but getting repair labor for free is a pretty sweet deal.

Dick Charest

# **QUINCY SUMMARY & RESULTS**

Turning a new leaf and starting a new tradition:, closing a chapter of history and starting a new one; the curtain falls on Act I and opens on Act II; Gus and Terry Traeder handed over the reins of the seminal, 14<sup>th</sup> Annual the Vintage Karting Olympics to a new generation. The "Final Act" as Gus called it, had 73 entries and 42 Kart Show entries. (More in the Oct. issue.)

<b>QUINCY DEMONSTRATION EVENT RESULTS</b>				
Class	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	
<b>Historic Participants</b>	Mark D'Elia, Dick Teal, Brian Espeset			
Mac-49	Shawn Welte	Autumn Nagel	Rick Magnuson	
Junior	Jack Daniel			
Sportsman Rear	Lyle Caswell	Steve Welte		
Rear 6.1	Autumn Nagel	Don Thompson	Scott Klingler	
Rear 8.2	Jerry Nagel	Terry Walters	Richard Sharer	
Sportsman S/W	Mike Birdsell	Ron Brookman	Marty Weston	
S/W 6.1 Foreign	Terry Traeder	Matt Morgeson	Dave Fisher	
S/W 8.2 Foreign	Lake Speed, Jr.	Steve Jamison		
Dual American	Jerry Nagel	Warren Anderson	Ken Woolbridge	
Dual Foreign	Lake Speed, Sr.	Rodney Fish	Bud Snelling	
S/W American 6.1	Bobby Lee	Bill McCornack	Gary Young	
S/W American 8.2	Butch Stewart	Sammy Weakley	Jerry Culp	
80-85	Troy Cozad	Scott Campbell	Jim Rowe	
Yamaha	Troy Cozad	Mike Birdsell	Josh Fisher	
Sr. Over-60	Jerry Nagel	Tom Day	Jay Bruninga	

QUINCY KART SHOW RESULTS		
WINNER		
'62 McCulloch R200; MC-8; John Copeland		
'60 Sacukl; dual WB 580s; John Wall		
'59 Mak-Kart; Dual WB 820s; Dick Teal		
'64 SAE; dual WB 820s; Jerry Nagel		
'76 Margay Panther X; MC-92; Roger Johnson		
'81 Margay Expert; dual MC-101s; Bill Shelley		
'76 Invader; dual K299s; Lake Speed		
'78 Emmick Lightning; MC-92; Bill McCornack		
'65 Hornet Marauder II; MC-101AA; Mark D'Elia		
Ingles Careta Laydown/Sprint; K88; Paul Booth		



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