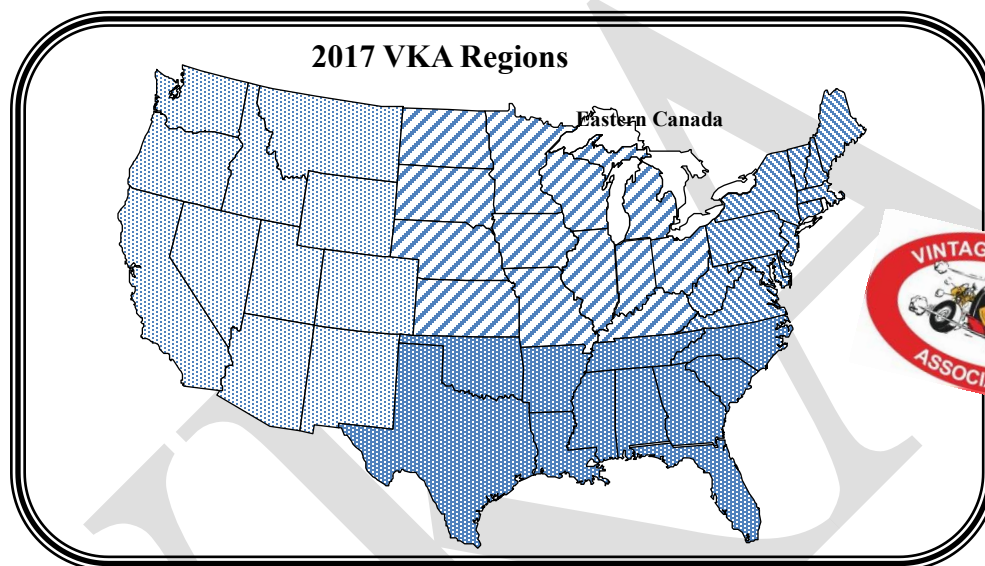


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**INCLUDED IN THIS ISSUE: 2017 NATIONAL EVENT SCHEDULE.**



**EDITOR'S NOTE**

**HAPPY 2017 ... with lots of safe, fun karting!**

The *Vintage Karting Association* (VKA) is organized to be the focal point for sprint and enduro vintage kart activities across the country and to be both a technical resource and a historical resource. The **VKA National Event Schedule** offers opportunities for vintage karting enthusiasts to participate in static and dynamic displays of their vintage equipment. 2017 *Guidelines* were developed to encourage new members to participate in both displays and to help establish consistency between events for existing members. The *Guidelines* are posted on the VKA website: [www.VKAkarting.com](http://www.VKAkarting.com). The changes to the class *Guidelines* are included on **p.3**

Present-day karting started with these types of karts. The history of karting is shown in these vintage karts ability to demonstrate their beauty and capabilities. This issue of **VKA FIRSTTURN**® is your initial resource for 2017 VKA Events. Non-members do not normally receive any of the VKA Publications, so this **SPECIAL VKA Newsletter** is a way of enticing them to join.

Last year embodied the ever-changing complexion of vintage karting. Several events saw a dramatic increase of sidewinder karts, especially Yamaha-powered machines. The 2017 *Guidelines* attempt to address this phenomenon and provide even more opportunities for economic expansion of the sport with **YAMAHA LIMITED**.

The 2017 **VKA FirstTurn**® will continue to combine publications (except for this issue) into the full-color **VKA FIRSTTURN**® magazine format. Non-members need to know the **VKA FIRSTTURN**® will contain great articles like we've had in the past, including articles containing VKA Event pictures and summaries, engine rebuilds, kart restorations, carburetors, ignitions, Member Memories, Teams pictures, and general information in each edition. An example of an earlier **VKA FIRSTTURN**® is on the VKA Website ([www.VKAKarting.com](http://www.VKAKarting.com)) for all to see.

Anyone interested in becoming a promoter should review the *Promoter's Package* published by VKA. It lays out much of the information needed to hold a vintage karting event using the *Guidelines* established by VKA to help promote consistency between events. Promoters should be aware of one of the **major** 2014 VKA membership survey results; **99% want consistency between events!** Before you consider adding a "promoter's option," consider the impact it will have on how participants will have to change their equipment for your event. Any changes should be announced well before the planned event date, and should be part of the event flyer. Event flyers will be posted on the VKA website and should be submitted to [KartNumber4@yahoo.com](mailto:KartNumber4@yahoo.com) well before the event.

Although most vintage events are for sprint karts, enduro karts are encouraged to participate. Promoters are encouraged to accommodate enduro karts either with their own "slot" if a sufficient number sign-up or to fit them in to similar sprint classes. VKA also publicizes vintage enduro-only events held across the country.

In addition to the VKA **website** that contains copies of the *Promoter's Package*, Membership Form, *Guidelines*, Event Schedule, Event pictures and other information, you can enjoy vintage karting and the **FACEBOOK** experience on [www.Facebook.com/VintageKartingAssociation](http://www.Facebook.com/VintageKartingAssociation).

**Don't forget, VKA is run by volunteers.** VKA needs **your** help. Whether you offer constructive criticism, help at the track, or help on a committee ... get involved. If you want to become a Board Member, the best way to get started is to show your interest by volunteering your time and talent. Vintage karters have a broad spectrum of experience and interests. Please consider sharing them with your fellow vintage karters and help us make VKA even better. (Applications to be a Board Member are due no later than September 30. Mark your calendar now, **then** start by stepping up to the plate.

Good luck and good running.

*Rolf Hill, Editor*  
*VKA FirstTurn* ©

2017 Event Schedule			
12/27 – 30/16	Daytona*	7/21 – 23	VIR
2/2 – 4	Bushnell, FL	7/27 – 29	Avon, NY (Tier I & II)
2/2 – 4	Riverside, CA	8/4 – 6	Port Washington, OH
3/10 – 12	Roebling Rd	8/24 – 26	Camden, OH
3/16 – 18	Barnesville, GA	9/15 & 16	Oreville, PA
4/27 – 29	Circleville, OH	9/15 – 17	Atlanta Motorsports Park
5/20 & 21	Sandy Hook, MD	9/16 & 17	MKC MIS AKRA
5/20 & 21	MKC MIS AKRA	9/21–23	Delmar, IA
5/25 – 27	Springfield, IL	9/30-10/1	Roebling Rd
6/3 & 4	Summit Point	10/6 – 8	Cuddebackville, NY
6/15 – 17	New Castle, IN	10/12 - 14	Bakersfield, CA (Tier II)
6/16 – 18	Mid-Ohio	11/4 & 5	Atwater, CA (Tier II)
7/6 – 8	Brodhead, WI	11/10 – 12	Saltillo, MS
VKA Sprint Events in BOLD		Vintage Enduro Events in ITALICS	

## 2017 VKA Class Guidelines (Changes are in grey.)

<b>1. HISTORIC</b>	1956 to 1964 rear engine karts and engines; single, dual, or triple engines, 16.5 c.i. (270cc) max displacement; <b>Must have vintage-style dry clutches or direct drive</b> ; box muffler; vintage tire required; Promoter may split class as per VKA Guidelines (Para. 6a, below); duals/triples in front. This is a non-points, demo class.
<b>2. JUNIOR/WOMEN REAR OR SIDEWINDER</b>	<b>Junior (Boys/Girls ages 10-14)</b> - Single 100cc (6.1 c.u. in.) max. American Fan Cooled Engine ( <i>i.e.</i> West Bend, McCulloch, Power Products, Homelite) or West Bend 820. All engines will run single HL 1" or smaller throttle bore Any intake allowed, but West Bend must use V-Reed or Go Power, 4 or 6 pedal cage, Vintage style dry clutch, box muffler and vintage tires required. Yamaha KT100 engine may be used with WA55 Walbro carb, dry clutch, "limited" exhaust system and vintage tires. (See Yamaha Limited Class for pipe requirements.) (Junior and Women class can run rear or sidewinder kart.)
<b>3. SPORTSMAN REAR</b>	Rear American engines; 8.2 c.i. (135cc) max displacement; WB-820 with 8.2 c.i. (135cc) max displacement must be industrial-type; McCullochs must be 6.1 c.i. (100cc) <b>max displacement or saw blocks over 80cc. small single intake manifold allowed (WB V-reed, Homelite reed, Go Power reed, etc.). Manifold to have an HL bolt pattern. Single HL 1 inch maximum throttle bore carburetor</b> Small Mac flat-back carb OK. Must have <b>vintage-style</b> dry clutch, box muffler and vintage tires. No MC-91, 92, or 93 engines.
<b>4. MAC 49/SAW</b>	Rear engine karts; Mc49 or 80cc saw block engines. 1.375 maximum stroke; Aftermarket small single intake manifolds <b>allowed (WB V-reed, Homelite reed, Go Power reed, etc.) or factory Mc 49 intake. Manifold to have an HL bolt pattern. Single HL 1 inch maximum throttle bore carburetor</b> or small Mac flat-back carburetor; Vintage style dry clutch; Box muffler; Vintage tires.
<b>5. SINGLE REAR 6.1</b>	Rear engine karts; American or Foreign engines, 6.1 c.i. (100cc) max displacement; pipes and oil clutches allowed; no disc clutches; any carburetor combinations, vintage tires.
<b>6. SINGLE REAR 8.2</b>	Rear engine karts; American or Foreign engines, 8.2 c.i. (135cc) max displacement; pipes and oil clutches allowed; no disc clutches; any carburetor combinations, vintage tires.
<b>7. DUAL REAR, B- &amp; C-OPEN</b>	<b>C-Open:</b> American or Foreign engines, 16.5 c.i. (270cc) max displacement; pipes and oil clutches (no disc clutches); vintage tires. Any Historic B or C Class dual engine rear karts may run this class. <b>B-Open:</b> American or Foreign engines, 12.2 c.i. (200 cc) max, dry clutch, box mufflers, #35 chain, and vintage tires. (B-Open to be run in concert with C-Open and scored separately.)
<b>8. SINGLE 6.1 S/W AMER.</b>	Pre-1980 sidewinder with American fan cooled engines, 6.1 c.i. (100cc) max displacement; engine clutches only; pipes allowed; modern tires allowed; one inch axle. <b>Max kart width of 48 inches.</b>
<b>9. SINGLE 8.2 S/W AMER.</b>	Pre-1980 sidewinder with American fan cooled engines, 8.2 c.i. (135cc) max displacement; engine clutches only; pipes allowed; modern tires allowed; one inch axle. <b>Max kart width of 48 inches.</b>
<b>10. SINGLE 6.1 S/W FOREIGN</b>	Pre-1980 sidewinder with Foreign or American engines, 6.1 c.i. (100cc) max displacement produced before 1980; engine clutches only; pipes allowed; modern tires allowed; one inch axle. <b>Max kart width of 48 inches.</b>
<b>11. SINGLE 8.2 S/W FOREIGN</b>	Pre-1980 sidewinder with Foreign or American engines, 8.2 c.i. (100cc) max displacement produced before 1980; engine clutches only; pipes allowed; modern tires allowed; one inch axle. <b>Max kart width of 48 inches.</b>
<b>12. OVER-60</b>	Drivers 60yrs +; Rear or pre-1980 sidewinder karts; American, fan-cooled, 6.1 c.i. (100cc) max displacement engines; pipes allowed; oil clutches allowed; no disc clutches; vintage tires; any carburetor combinations. Promoters should consider separating the sidewinder and rear engine karts for scoring purposes when participation is sufficient to do so. Allow sidewinders to start in the front. <b>Max kart width of 48 inches.</b>
<b>13. DUAL SIDEWINDER</b>	Sidewinder with Foreign or American engines, 16.5 c.i. (270cc) max displacement; engine clutches only; pipes allowed; modern tires allowed. <b>Tire compound durometer minimum of 48. Bridgestone YLC and MG tires allowed. May use any approved single sidewinder tire (see par. 6b, below); 1¼" axle allowed if original;</b> karts and engines must be manufactured prior to '83.
<b>14. 80-87 SIDEWINDER</b>	1980 – 1987 sidewinder with Foreign or American engines, 6.1 c.i. (100cc) max displacement; pipes allowed; engine clutches only; modern tires allowed; 1¼" axle allowed; kart and engine must be manufactured prior to 1988 – see Engine Schedule. (Para. 6c, below) <b>Max kart width of 50 inches.</b>
<b>15. SPORTSMAN S/W (STOCK APPEARING)</b>	Sidewinder (pre-1980) with 6.1 c.i. (100cc) max displacement, American fan cooled engine; single carburetor (Mikuni, Tillotson, or McCulloch), any size throttle bore; Factory V4 intake; modern tires; box muffler; <b>vintage-style</b> dry clutch (Horstman Rev Grip or Max-Torque). <b>West Bend-Only Class-</b> Stock appearing West Bend 820 with stock bore and stroke (fan cooled), box muffler, small, single West Bend factory manifold and V4 reed cage with a 1: max throttle bore, HL carb, modern style tires, pre-1980 sidewinder with 1" axle, OEM Max-Torque dry clutch with no add-ons. To be run

	in concert with Sportsman S/W, but scored separately. For drivers 15 years or older. Max kart width of 48 inches.
<b>16. YAMAHA PISTON PORT</b>	Sidewinder karts (thru 1987) with single 100cc (KT100S), 1975 to present; piston port only; max. bore - 2.090"; max. stroke - 1.816"; "stock appearing" - internal modifications allowed ; factory ignition system only (exception- "RVL" TCI replacement module OK); Walbro WB3A carburetor only; pipe allowed; Horstman DXL wet disc, Hartman, L & T wet disc, Burco, Max Torque clutches only (no modern clutches); Third bearing support required; 1" or 1¼" axle; modern tires; gasoline only. Max kart width of 50 inches.
<b>17. YAMAHA LIMITED</b>	Sidewinder karts (thru 1987) with single KT100s, piston-port engine, max bore – 2.090" – max stroke = 1.816" – WKA stock specification guidelines to apply; factory ignition systems only (exception- RLV TCI replacement module allowed); Walbro WB3A carb with max 0.950" venture; "limited" pipe (FY-Sr/K1/K2) at 12" minimum length (piston to start of first cone); Horstman DXL, Hartman, L+T, Burco, Max-Torque clutches only; no modern clutches; no direct drive or Tomar clutches; 3 <sup>rd</sup> bearing support required; Max kart width of 50 inches.
<b>OPTIONAL CLASS      Straight Axle Sidewinder</b>	
<b>ENGINES</b>	Period Correct 100cc max; Foreign motors to have single carburetor as manufactured, and must be produced prior to 1975. (See paragraph 6c.iv for allowable foreign engines.).
<b>TIRES</b>	Vintage-style tires (square corners); 6" Max width per durometer guidelines
<b>CLUTCHES</b>	Period correct clutches (e.g., Rev Grip, Horstman, Burco, Hartman, Max-Torque. NO DISC CLUTCHES
<b>EXHAUST:</b>	Any can, period correct pipe, or box muffler
<b>REAR AXLE</b>	1" only, unless manufactured with 1¼" from the factory
<b>FUEL</b>	Gas or alcohol
<b>WEIGHT</b>	No weight restrictions
<b>TECH</b>	No tech

It should be noted the *Guidelines* to include a 3<sup>rd</sup> Bearing Support or clutch guard for all Rear Engine karts running an oil clutch is still in place.

### NOVEMBER BOARD MEETING SUMMARY

[The November Minutes were not available by the deadline to send this issue to the printer. It will be available on-line, with the other Minutes.]

### CORRECTION

The list on p. 8 of the December issues was not of "winners," but rather "fastest qualifiers" at Riverside.

### 2017 GUIDELINES CHANGES/CLARIFICATIONS

The 2017 *Guidelines* include changes and clarifications for vintage karts manufactured through **1987**. The first change was to define the ages of Juniors (10-14) and increase the engine size of Juniors to 100cc, and add West Bend 820s and Yamaha KT-100 with some limitations.

A new Class 17 for YAMAHA LIMITED was added to encourage the influx of vintage Yamaha machines.

Snell approval for helmets changes every five years. Approvals are good for ten years, after which helmets are no longer approved. Helmets with a 2005 or earlier certification are no longer accepted at VKA events. Only full-face helmets with a 2010 or later Snell Certification will be good for the 2017 season.

The Over-60 Class was clarified to include **only** fan-cooled engines.

Also, drivers weighing 190 or more in street clothes at registration may be put in a “vintage weight” sub-category as a Promoter’s Option. One additional tire (Evinco Blue) was added to the “Acceptable Tires for Sidewinders” list. (See the VKA website [www.VKAkarting.com](http://www.VKAkarting.com) for a complete copy of the 2017 *Guidelines*.)

## UTILIZE AND SUPPORT YOUR VINTAGE KARTING RESOURCES

(Although this issue does not contain the services or products these vintage karting resources provide, those details **are** listed in other issues of **VKA FirsTurn®**.)

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# 2017 CALIFORNIA VINTAGE KARTING EVENTS

## 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Adams Vintage Kart Reunion - Feb. 2 - 4

**Adams Kart Track**

**5922 24<sup>th</sup> Street**

**Riverside, CA 92509**

[www.adamsmotorsportspark.com/](http://www.adamsmotorsportspark.com/)

**Contact Louie Figone**

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**8/10 mile; 2 Monza turns**

**Gearing: 9 - 60\***



## 2017 Bakersfield - Oct. 12 - 14 (TIER II)

**Bakersfield Kart Raceway**

**4695 Alfred Harrell Hwy.**

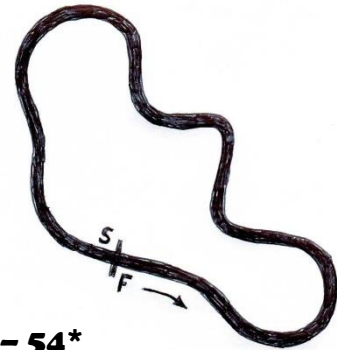
**Bakersfield, CA**

**Contact: Joe (or Rich) Swantek 310-466-8624**

[www.racingwhere.com/sprint-racing/tracks?key=225](http://www.racingwhere.com/sprint-racing/tracks?key=225)

**1/2 mile course**

**Gearing 9 - 54\***



## 2017 Atwater Vintage Kart Reunion - Nov. 4 & 5 (TIER II) TENTATIVE

**Tom Dash Speedway**

**500 Industry Way**

**Atwater, CA 95301**

[www.AtwaterKartClub.com](http://www.AtwaterKartClub.com)

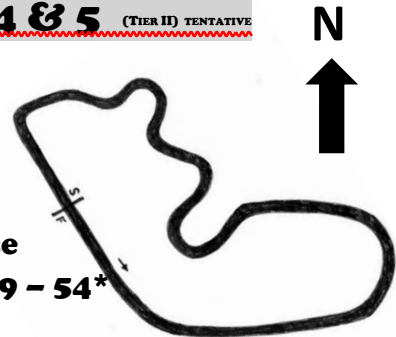
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**\* Gearing based on single American engine, under 6.1 c.i., Sidewinder**

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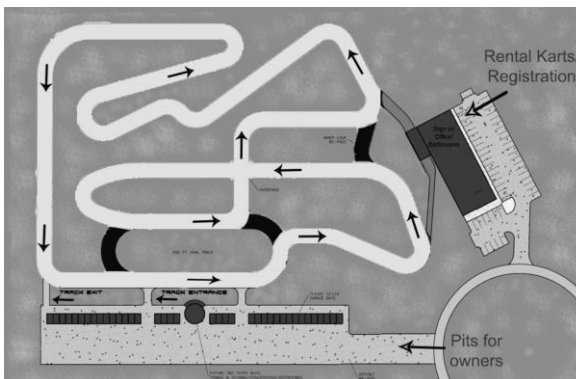
# 2017 FLORIDA VINTAGE KARTING EVENT

**2017 Ice Breaker- 2/2 - 4**

**5821 Pit Road  
Bushnell FL 33513**

**[www.BushnellMotorsportsPark.com](http://www.BushnellMotorsportsPark.com)  
[facebook.com/BushnellMotorsportsPark](https://www.facebook.com/BushnellMotorsportsPark)**

**Bret Spaude- Phone: 352-568-0778**



**Gearing: 9 - 66 (Rear 6.1)**

# 2017 GEORGIA VINTAGE KARTING EVENT

**11<sup>th</sup> Annual Vintage Kart Winter Nationals**

**3/16 - 18**

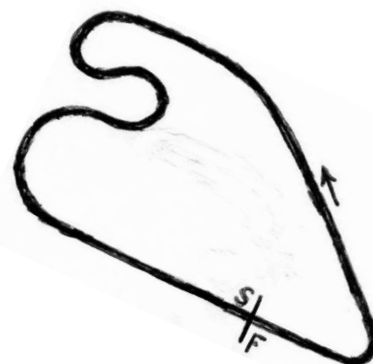
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Barnesville, GA 30204**

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**Gearing: 9 - 63\***

**[www.VKAkarting.com](http://www.VKAkarting.com)**

# 2017 MISSISSIPPI VINTAGE KARTING EVENT

**2017 Rebel Raceway Park 11/10 & 12**

**594 Old Saltillo Rd. (CR811)**

**Saltillo, MS**

**[www.facebook.com/Rebel-Raceway](http://www.facebook.com/Rebel-Raceway)**

**or contact Brian Carr 662-871-1147 or 662-844-5778**

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**Gearing: 9 – 78 for MC-91 Rear**



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**ONLY FULL MEMBERS RECEIVE ALL THE VKA FIRSTTURN® MAGAZINES AND NEWSLETTERS.**  
**ALL Members are eligible for reduced entry fees at events, if offered.**

VKA Memberships are issued for a 12 or 36-month period. Current members should receive a reminder along with their VKA FIRSTTURN® at least two months before their membership expires.

Checks should be made payable to: "Vintage Karting Association" and mailed to: Bill Bloodworth, 4621 Wooded Acres Dr., Arlington, TX 76016.

**TWO NEW ASSOCIATE MEMBERS SINCE LAST VKA FIRSTTURN®:**  
**Georgia Carnett & Bill Leeher**

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# 2017 MIDWEST VINTAGE KARTING EVENTS

## **2017 Circleville Raceway Park 4/27 & 29**

19413 US Route 23 North

Circleville, OH 43113

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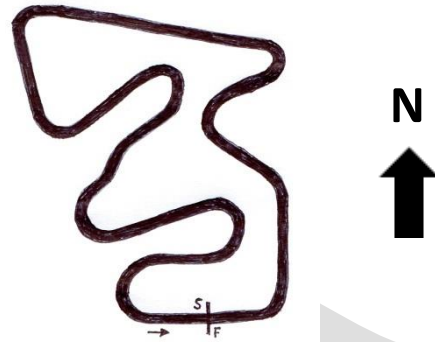
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Gearing: 9 - 64\*



VKA Events are classified as Tier I or Tier II Events.

Tier I Events are "scored" events.

Tier II Events are not scored/practice-only events.

If enough Enduro karts express interest in participating in a sprint event, promoters may include practice sessions and non-scored Heats for enduro karts. Static Kart Shows at both events are always a crowd pleaser.



## **2017 Land of Lincoln Vintage Weekend (Springfield)**

Midstate Kart Club

**5/25 & 27**

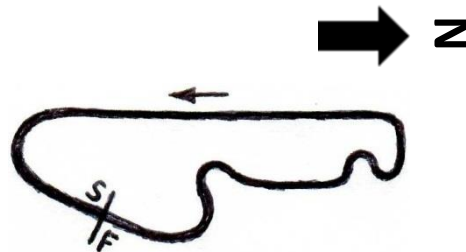
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Gearing: 9 - 55\*



\* Gearing based on single American engine, under 6.1 c.i., Sidewinder

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# 2017 MIDWEST VINTAGE KARTING EVENTS

## 8TH Annual Vintage Thunder Karting Reunion

New Castle Motorsports Park

6/15 - 17

5816 S. County 125 West

New Castle, IN 47362

[www.NewCastleRaceway.com](http://www.NewCastleRaceway.com)

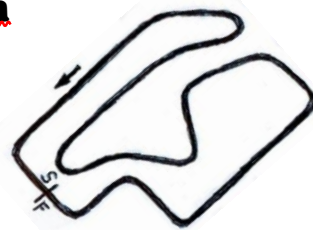
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or Mike Adams 765-987-8090

Gearing: 10 - 58\*



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N2236 Mt. Hope Rd.

Brodhead, WI 53520

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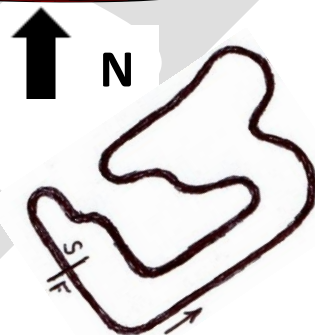
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608-897-2898

Or Bill McCornack 630-400-2645

[Bill.McCornack@Comcast.net](mailto:Bill.McCornack@Comcast.net)

Gearing: 9 - 65\*



## 2017 G & J Kartway 8/24 - 26

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Camden, OH 45311

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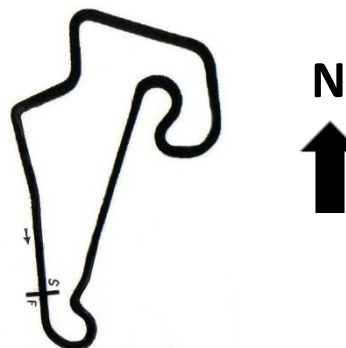
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Gearing: 9 - 58\*



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# 2017 MIDWEST VINTAGE KARTING EVENTS

## **2nd Vintage Kart Fest 8/4 - 6**

**Adkins Raceway Park  
9352 Bunker Hill Dr.  
Port Washington, OH**

**[www.AdkinsRacewayParkUSA.com](http://www.AdkinsRacewayParkUSA.com)**

**Contact: Rick Chapman [rixkart@aol.com](mailto:rixkart@aol.com)  
Tel. 330-620-9377**

**Gearing: 9/65\***

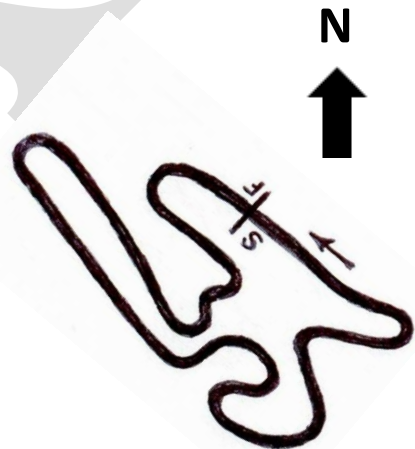


## **13th Annual Midwest Vintage Kart Classic 9/21 & 23**

**61 Kartway  
1580 Highway 61  
Delmar, IA 52037  
[www.61Kartway.com](http://www.61Kartway.com)  
or contact Jim Thompson  
319-560-8820  
or [jimt@BobMickeyCollision.com](mailto:jimt@BobMickeyCollision.com)**

**Way Cool, Extreme Elevation Changes!**

**Gearing: 9 - 67\***



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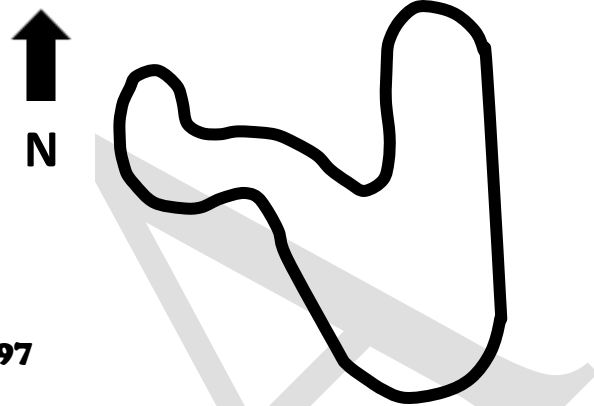
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**2017 Sandy Hook Speedway, MD 5/20 & 21**

**Sandy Hook Speedway**  
**Sandy Hook Road**  
**Street, MD (directions on website)**  
**Promoter: Dennis Headley**  
**SandyHookSpeedway@hotmail.com**  
**Tel. 443-864-3468**  
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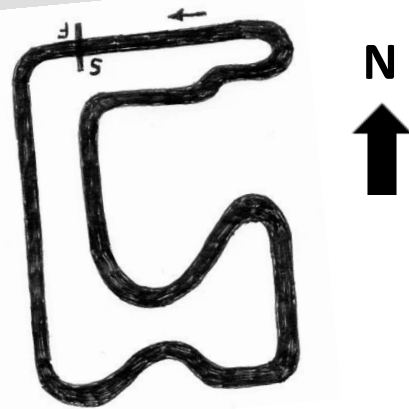
**Or Contact:**  
**Kent Windham: akbags@aol.com 717-629-4997**

**Gearing: 9 - 65\***



**7<sup>th</sup> Annual Vintage Karting Reunion 7/27 - 29 (Tier I & II)**

**Avon Kart Speedway**  
**2123 Lakeville Road**  
**Avon, NY 14414**  
**Contact Scott Kneisel**  
**585-398-3526**  
**[Chuckie72us@Yahoo.com](mailto:Chuckie72us@Yahoo.com)**  
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**Gearing: 9 - 62\***

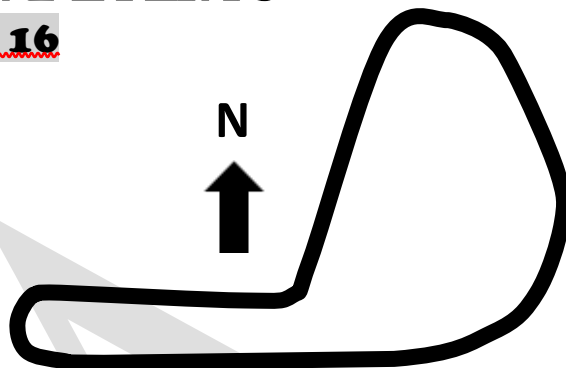
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**2017 Oreville Kart Raceway 9/15 & 16**

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**Mertztown, PA**  
**Promoter: Barry Greenzweig [barry74@ptd.net](mailto:barry74@ptd.net)**  
**Tel. 610-657-5189**  
**Or Contact:**  
**Kent Windham [akbags@aol.com](mailto:akbags@aol.com) 717-629-4997**  
**Carl Haydt [a80luv@yahoo.com](mailto:a80luv@yahoo.com) 610 554 7400**



**Gearing: 9 - 65\***

**\* Gearing based on single American engine, under 6.1 c.i., Sidewinder**

**2017 Cuddebackville, NY 10/6 - 8**

**Oakland Valley Race Park**  
**305 Oakland Valley Rd.**  
**Cuddebackville, NY**  
**[www.ovrp.net](http://www.ovrp.net)**  
**Tel. 845-754-8500**  
**Promoter: Rick Keller**  
**[Tel. 631-487-7595\(c\)](tel:631-487-7595) or [631-665-0886\(o\)](tel:631-665-0886)**  
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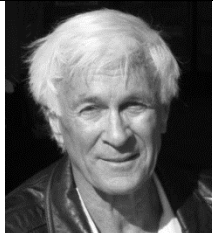
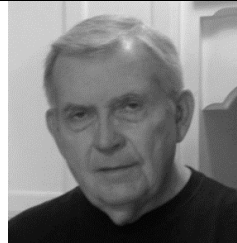
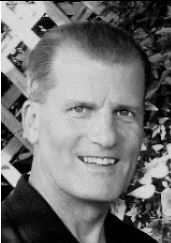




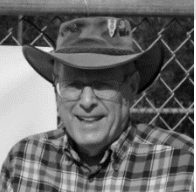

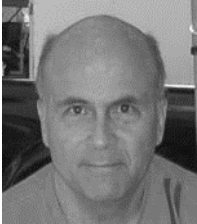


**Gearing: 9-63 (6.1 rear)**

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[EDITOR'S NOTE: Instead of an *Ask Bill* article this month, Bill has provided this article on how to tech the **Stock Appearing** Yamaha KT100S (Class #16 – Yamaha Piston port). This is **NOT** for the NEW Yamaha Limited Class.]

This is the official VKA procedure for an engine inspection in the 2017 Class 16, "Yamaha Piston Port". In this procedure, we're checking bore, stroke, ignition components and visually inspecting outside of engine to be stock factory configuration.



the "RLV" replacement box. Either one is allowed. The RLV is half the cost of the original one.

**Fig. 1-** Shown here is the original Yamaha TCI box (top). Below it is

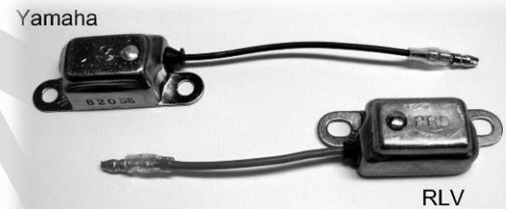


Figure 1

**Fig. 2 & 3-** These two views show what the engine looks like from the factory on the outside. No external modifications are allowed. (Note the white discs in the exhaust area and on top of the carburetor. The area underneath these disc diameters are considered "inside the engine" and are non-tech areas.

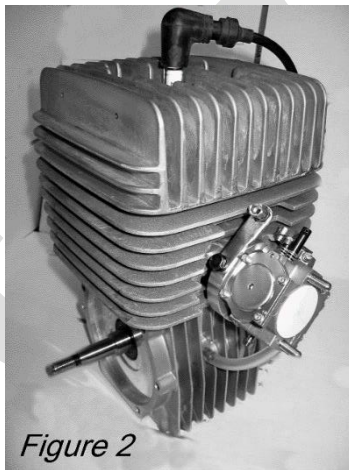


Figure 2



Figure 3

**Fig. 4-** Checking the stroke. Maximum stroke is 1.816" checked here by a dial indicator. Calipers could also be used here with the depth rod end.

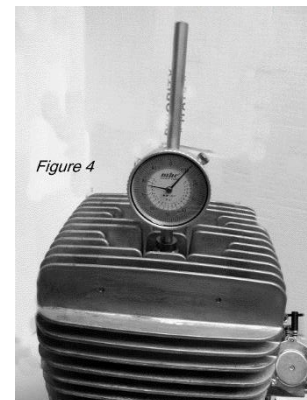
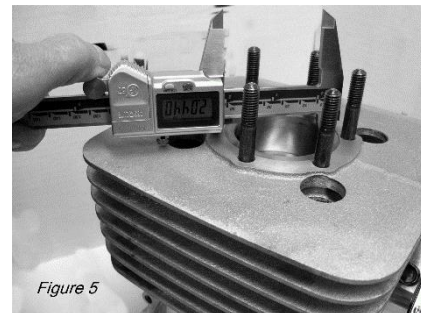
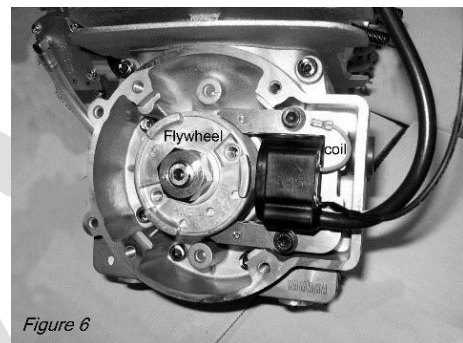


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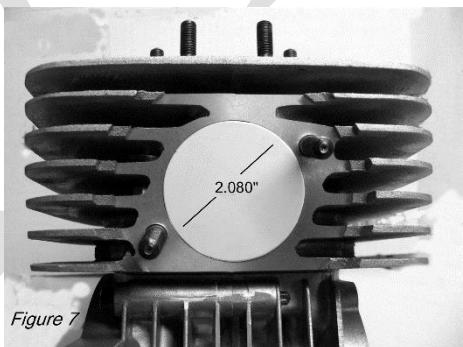
**Fig. 5-** With the head removed, measure the cylinder bore diameter using calipers. Maximum bore is 2.090".



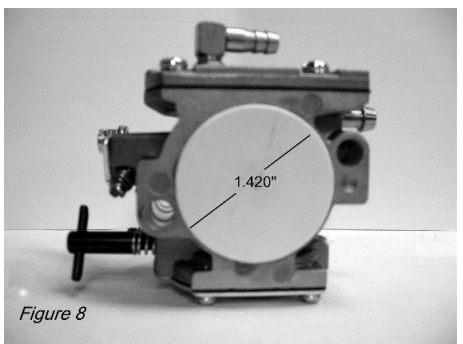
**Fig. 6-** Coil and flywheel are to be original Yamaha parts. Modifications to these components are allowed.



**Fig. 7-** Under the 2.080" disc diameter area is non-tech and is considered inside the engine.



**Fig. 8-** The 1.420" diameter disc area and under is non-tech also. The rest of the Walbro WB-3A carb on the outside is to be as supplied from Yamaha.



This completes the engine inspection. It's entirely up to the VKA Promoter/ track owner if an engine inspection is to take place. VKA's role is to provide guidelines for vintage karting events for consistency around the country.

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