



VINTAGE KARTING ASSOCIATION, INC.
Board of Directors 12 August 2018 Meeting Minutes
September 30 2018

Call To Order: President Gary Wlodarsky called the meeting to order at 8:03 PM EDT

Roll Call: Secretary Bill Bloodworth called the roll with the following results:

Board Members In Attendance:

Gary Wlodarsky	President & Judging
Louie Figone	Vice President
Bill Bloodworth	Secretary & Membership
Dean Kossaras	Rules - joined during Northeast Region report
Lynn Haddock	Safety & Tech
Sonny Gerber	
Jeff Campbell	Website

Board Members Absent:

Joe Swantek	Treasurer
John Copeland	Enduro
Skip Owen	Executive Director

Guests present:

Rolf Hill	VKA <i>FirsTurn</i> Newsletter/Magazine
Sal Palatucci	Northeast Region Coordinator
Karl Ginter	

SYNOPSIS: There are 440 total members, 396 full members and 44 associate members. The ending July balance is \$23,705.664 which reflects revenue of \$1,590.00 and expenses of \$394.01. The estimated cost of printing and mailing future publications is \$6,569 total, \$3,313 for 12 month members and \$3,256 for 36 month members.

Jeff Campbell reported that the website is up-to-date and that photos from the Quincy event have been posted. Rolf Hill read the Virginia International Raceway Enduro report furnished by Dick Charest. The comprehensive report is included in the full minutes file. Dean Kossaras reported that feedback regarding inclusion of Yamaha equipment in the over 60 class continues to be mostly negative from the current participants. However, as reported there continues to be a push by some Yamaha drivers for a class separate from the other Yamaha classes. No action was taken regarding Gary Wlodarsky's question about the need for an official written protest form. Gary Wlodarsky reported that there were a record number of show entries at the Avon event with many participants appearing to be more interested in showing their karts than winning an award. Sal Palatucci having been congratulated by Gary Wlodarsky for the excellent Avon event, reported that this was the first anniversary of Sal's participation in vintage karting. Sal reported that the Northeast region may have a new venue next year, either as an addition or possibly as a replacement. There was a general discussion regarding methods for attracting the non-member participants to join VKA. Sal mentioned that at least half of the Northeast tracks do not offer entry fee discounts to VKA members for various reasons including possibly support of the end of the season Promoters' Cup awards. Rolf Hill reported that release to the printer of the next magazine is being delayed two days to allow inclusion of photos from the Quincy event.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: President Gary Wlodarsky congratulated Sal Palatucci for the excellent Avon event. Gary stated that while there were a few glitches, it was an overall good event. Gary said that he received thanks from one person for Gary's participation followed by criticism of the VKA guidelines effort. The person wanted to define the guidelines his way. Louie Figone took over the meeting due to problems that Gary was having with his phone.

VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Vice-President Louie Figone reported that the VKCA Santa Maria event is next weekend. Louie reported that he attended the recent VKCA Marina event as a spectator for a few hours. At the event he was told that they have a pole in place regarding placement on their ballot of authorization to raise their vintage date limit to 1980.



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SECRETARY'S REPORT: -Secretary Bill Bloodworth reported the results of the May minutes email review status. There were 6 yes & 0 no responses primarily based on the original version. Rev01 has the spelling of Joe Weissner's last name corrected. Based on the email results, Vice-President Louie Figone declared the May 2018 minutes approved.

Bill Bloodworth then reported the results of the June minutes email review status. There were 7 yes & 0 no responses based mostly on original version. Rev01 includes Rolf Hill's grammar & clarification comments. Bill stated that after approval, he intended to create a final version with the highlights removed from Rev01. Based on the email results, Vice-President Louie Figone declared the June 2018 minutes approved.

Bill Bloodworth then reported the results of the July minutes email review status. There were 6 yes & 0 no responses based mostly on original version. Rev01 includes Rolf Hill's grammar & clarification comments. Bill stated that after approval, he intended to create a final version with the highlights removed from Rev01. Based on the email results, Vice-President Louie Figone declared the July 2018 minutes approved.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: - Director Bill Bloodworth reported that currently there are 440 total members, 396 full members and 44 associate members, a net change from last month's levels of plus 4 full members & plus 2 associate members. This month's membership includes 5 new full members and 2 new associate members plus 0 additional full members and 0 additional associate members from the renewal of former members who were inactive at the time of last month's meeting. The 36-month extended membership option is at 88 full & 9 associate members, a change since the last meeting of plus 1 full member and no associate members. Total funds involved are \$8,630. It is suggested that for the month of August, \$4,740 be held in reserve for future expenses.

1 full membership and 0 associate memberships expired at the end of July.

13 full memberships and 1 associate membership are expiring at the end of August.

The regional distribution of memberships (snowbird adjusted) is:

Midwest:	177 full	17 associate
Northeast:	67 full	9 associate
South:	65 full	11 associate
West:	78 full	7 associate
International:	9 full	

Mailing address information was adjusted to reflect the home address of those temporarily away from home.

TREASURER'S REPORT: - Director Joe Swantek was absent. Jim Donovan was also absent. Rolf Hill read the financial results from Jim Donovan's email report. The figures are:

Ending June 2018 Balance: \$22,509.65.

Revenue: Total \$1,590.00, Membership: \$710.00, T-shirts Sales: \$380.00, 50/50 Track (Brodhead) \$500.00

Expenses: Total \$394.01, Stamps for Jim: \$47.00, Office Supplies for Bill: 173.01, Deposit Slips ~ 5 year supply: \$16.00, Storage Fee for Rolf: \$99.00

Ending July 2018 Balance: \$23,705.64.

Bill Bloodworth: Moved to accept Rolf Hill's report.

Sonny Gerber: Seconded the motion.

Vice-President Figone: All in favor say aye, opposed say nay, the ayes are unanimous, the motion passes.

Bill Bloodworth reported that the current estimated costs for planned future publication related activity are at least \$3,313 for 12 month members and \$3,256 for 36 month members, a combined total of \$6,569.

WEBSITE REPORT: - Director Jeff Campbell reported that the website is up-to-date; photos from the Quincy event have been posted. He reported that there has been some occasional message board spam. Bill Bloodworth stated that he will send clean versions of the recently approved minutes to Jeff for posting.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT: - Skip Owen was absent. Both Sal Palatucci and Karl Ginter stated that they had nothing to add.



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ENDURO REPORT: - Director John Copeland was absent. Rolf Hill read Dick Charest's VIR report. Rolf sent the report to Bill Bloodworth and it is presented below.

The Woodbridge Kart Club held an enduro race at the North Course at Virginia International Raceway near Danville, Virginia on July 20-22, 2018. Friday July 20th was a practice day with the races held on Saturday and Sunday.

The Vintage Open 1 race and the Vintage USA races were run together on Saturday. Vintage Open 1 had 12 entries and Vintage USA had 6 entries.

Lou Mageria won the Vintage Open 1 race driving a sprint kart with a K-35 on gas. Rodney Garrison finished 2nd with his Margay enduro with a B-Bomb followed by Phillip Copeland with his Margay with a Komet, Arthur McKenny with a Yamaha, and Terry Armstrong with a DAP T-62. Dick Charest was the last driver to drop out of the race and was credited with 6th place followed by Robby Harper, Rick Gilmore, Daryl Parks, Duane Eberhart, Gary Schenkel, and Bill Reuter, who all dropped out of the race. Lou Mageria set fast time for Vintage Open 1 at 1:47.847 with Rick Gilmore about 6/10 of a second slower with a best lap time was 1:48.506. Rodney Garrison's best lap time was 1:50.680 followed by Phillip Copeland at 1:51.209.

The Vintage USA race was won by Dennis Griffith followed by Bill Anderson. Bill Johnson dropped out after 4 laps and was credited with 3rd place. Bob Anderson, Larry Collins, and Hayden Garrison all dropped out of the race.

The Vintage Open 2 race and the Vintage Euro races were run together on Sunday. Vintage Open 2 had only 1 entry and Vintage Euro had 5 entries.

Lou Mageria won the Vintage Open 2 Race with a best lap time of 1:48.642.

Phil Copeland won the Vintage Euro Race with a best lap time of 1:50.769. Ed Dolbow, Bill Reuter, Arthur McKenny, and Chuck Morgan rounded out the field.

There are 4 enduro races in August.

- August 10-12 ----- Canaan Motor Club, Canaan, NH (AKRA)
- August 10-12 ----- Heartland Park, Topeka, KS (WKA)
- August 25-26 ----- Summit Point Raceway, Summit Point, WV (WKC)
- August 25-26 ----- Michigan International Speedway, Belding, MI (AKRA)

RULES REPORT: - Director Dean Kossaras reported that feedback on the proposed change to the over 60 class has been mostly negative; current participants do not want add over 60 Yamaha participants Dean stated that he plans to attend the Camden event where his survey will continue and that the survey will be conducted at Iowa after Camden. Louie noted that in the letter forwarded by Gary from Ken Wooldridge, Ken was pushing hard for Yamaha inclusion. Someone mentioned that Lynn Haddock also knows of a couple of Yamaha participants who are pushing for the change. Dean said that he does not want to destroy MAC history, which he believes will happen if the change is made. Gary reported that at the Avon event, a couple of guys with Yamaha equipment asked about the status of the proposed change. They wanted to "get away" from the aggressive driving which they see in the current Yamaha classes. Louie said that we should ask the MAC drivers if they would switch to Yamaha. Dean said that he did ask once and was run out of the New Castle pits.

Regarding protests, Gary asked if we should have a form and require that a protest be made in writing. Anonymous protests have been made in two recent events and Gary believes that anonymous protests are wrong. No action was taken.

TECH & SAFETY REPORT: - Director Lynn Haddock was no longer logged on at this point.

JUDGING REPORT: - Director Gary Wlodarsky reported that there were a record setting number of participants at the Avon event; 58 rear engine and 82 overall. He stated that there were some super show karts. Gary noted that many entrants did not bother to fill out a registration form; they appeared to be more interested in showing their karts than winning an award. Gary reported that certificates are ready for the upcoming Camden event.



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NORTHEAST REGION REPORT: - Director Skip Owen was absent. Regional coordinator Sal Palatucci reported that Avon was a great event with a large turnout. Sal reported that he enjoyed spending time with Allen Gutberlet. Sal said that this was the first anniversary of his participation in vintage karting and that finishing 8th of 11 participants in his first heat felt good. Louie mentioned that there were interesting results from Sal survey which was more event rather than tech oriented.

Sal reported that the Northeast region may have a new venue next year, either as an addition or possibly a replacement.

There followed a general discussion on VKA membership and how do we get participants who are not VKA members to join. Sal reported that 40% of the Avon participants were not VKA members. Sal believes that the first step is to approach the non-members in a nice way. It was discussed sending the non-VKA member Avon participants a complimentary copy of the magazine containing the Avon summary along with a VKA membership application. Rolf Hill mentioned possibly sending email copies. Note: the board has not approved sending electronic versions of current issues. While the track shared participant information with Sal, many participants only listed limited information such as home city but no street address nor an email address. Also Sal stated that not all tracks share participant information. Sal said that he intends to use text messages where phone numbers are available.

Regarding registration discounts for VKA members, Sal reported that at least half of the Northeast tracks do not offer such discounts. Scott Kneisel explained to Sal that the Avon event has so many non-VKA members, many who only come to the Avon event within the year, that he does not want to infringe upon them. It was also mentioned that some of the tracks are contributing to fund the Northeast Promoter's Cup end of the season awards. Karl Ginter said that he does not see why discounts are negative.

Sal wondered if the \$35 fee was a stumbling block and if it would make a difference if the membership fee was lowered to \$25 for instance. There was a general discussion regarding registration fees, travel, and lodging for participants relative to the \$35 membership fee. Louie Figone mentioned the significant discount which the Riverside event offers to VKA members.

There was the suggestion that copies of the VKA magazine along with membership applications be made available at events. Gary pointed out that most VKA volunteers are very busy at the track and don't have time for such effort.

SOUTH REGION REPORT: - Bob Barthelemy was not present.

NEWSLETTER REPORT: - Rolf Hill reported that his new planned release date to the printer of the August – September magazine is Wednesday 08-15-18. He is delaying the release by two days in order to incorporate track photos from the Quincy event. Rolf stated that this issue will have event reports for New Castle, Brodhead, Quincy, and Avon plus an Enduro article. Rolf said that due to the volume of event reports, he may not include the Resources pages in this issue.

NEW BUSINESS: - Vice-President Figone opened the segment for discussion and there was none.

Vice-President Figone adjourned the meeting at 9:04 PM EDT.
Respectively submitted by Secretary Bill Bloodworth.