



# North Texas Karters

## NEWSLETTER

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### DATES TO REMEMBER

#### Upcoming Races

Held at the track – 7:00 pm

- July 30<sup>th</sup> Summer 3 + RMC 4
- August 13<sup>th</sup> Summer 4 + Rock 6
- August 20<sup>th</sup> Summer 5 + RMC 5
- August 27<sup>th</sup> Summer 6 + RMC 6
- September 7<sup>th</sup> Summer 7
- September 24<sup>th</sup> Fall 1
- October 1<sup>st</sup> Fall 2
- October 15<sup>th</sup> Fall 3

Held at the track – 1:00pm

- October 23<sup>rd</sup> Fall 4
- October 30<sup>th</sup> Fall 5
- November 13<sup>th</sup> Fall 6
- November 20<sup>th</sup> Fall 7

#### Work Days

Held at the track – 9:00 am

- August 21<sup>st</sup>
- September 11<sup>th</sup>
- September 25<sup>th</sup>
- October 16<sup>th</sup>
- November 12<sup>th</sup>
- December 10<sup>th</sup>

#### Club Meetings

Held at the IHOP at I-35 & FM304 in Lewisville  
7:30 pm

- August 4<sup>th</sup>
- September 1<sup>st</sup>
- October 6<sup>th</sup>
- November 10<sup>th</sup>
- December 1<sup>st</sup>

#### Board Meetings

Held at Alforno's Italian Kitchen in Flower Mound  
7:00 pm

- August 16<sup>th</sup>
- September 13<sup>th</sup>
- October 18<sup>th</sup>
- November 22<sup>nd</sup>
- December 13<sup>th</sup>

#### Track Closings

- All work days until 2:30pm
- August 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> – SWRC Regional
- October 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> – KART Regional

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## August is Heating up

Well it is kind of a short newsletter this month, but still wanted to send it out to keep the communication flowing. The Summer series is now in full swing so I hope you will come out and join us at the races. The weather is getting hotter, so remember to bring and drink plenty of water, but no cheating on safety gear. Just because it is hot, everyone must still wear the proper protective equipment when on the track. I also wanted to ask your help in getting a new Mychron track map with the beacon at the start finish line. The track map that we currently have on the web site has the beacon located on the old pit runner between turns six and seven, if anyone has a track map with the beacon at the start / finish line, please send me a copy at [greg@theclearkehome.com](mailto:greg@theclearkehome.com) and I will get it added to the web site. Have fun and Race Safe.



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## Do your Brakes Work?

Over the past month or two we have a number of people come into the pits or tech barn with no working brakes on their kart. This should not be happening. Any time you find you have a brake failure, coast around on the track until you are able to pull off the track and spin to a stop in the grass. Coming through the tech barn or the grid area without any brakes is tantamount to disaster. It doesn't matter if you wind up hitting someone that didn't see you, or you swerving to miss someone and wind up hitting the building, you and possibly other will get hurt.

As a reminder, the correct procedure to exit the track is to stay to the outside coming out of turn 1, raise your hand well over your head to signal the karts behind you, and then apply your brakes to slow down before you get on the track exit lane. You need to stop the cart before entering the tech building or the grid area at the fence line and then proceed at no more than an idle to the scales or

your pit stand. There is no Hot Pit Lane at NTK. Please help us maintain a safe karting environment at NTK and do your part to promote safety and responsible driving.



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## Rules Highlight

This month we will be highlighting Rule # 2.3.14. It pretty much speaks for itself, so I will just post it here:

**SPORTSMANLIKE DRIVING: the board of directors describing these infractions and the penalties is formulating a guide to be available in print and on the Internet.** The spirit and intent of sportsmanlike racing competition is to proceed on the track without touching or endangering the vehicles of fellow participants. Inadvertent contact is a reality of racing; however, if in the judgment of the presiding officials, a participant is bumping, crowding, chopping, blocking, pushing, or driving in an over aggressive / negligent / reckless manner, that participant shall be subject to immediate disqualification from the event and possible suspension of membership privileges.

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## TAG Endurance Race

NTK is considering hosting two TAG endurance races during December of 2005. The two races would be a six hour TAG Senior race with each team consisting of up to four drivers, and a two hour TAG Cadet race with each team consisting of up to two drivers

Look for additional details to be coming in the future.

