



Newsletter

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Upcoming Races

Spring 2 – March 16

Spring 3 – March 30

Club Meetings *

April 3

May 1

Board Meetings **

April 8

May 6

*Club meetings are the 1st Thursday of each month at 7:30 PM at the IHOP in Lewisville (I-35 at FM 3040/Round Grove Rd.)

**NTK Board meetings are held at the Hooter's in Grapevine (1711 Crossroads, Grapevine, TX) They will be the first Tuesday after the club meeting each month. Meetings start at 7:00 PM and members are always welcome.

Officer Positions

NTK still has 2 officer positions that need to be filled; Secretary, and Scoring/Registration chair.

These positions will be filled by nomination and election at the next club meeting. If you are interested in accepting one of the positions, please make sure to attend the next membership meeting.

At the club meeting this month, John Ray was voted in as President, Bob Schabel moved into the Vice President positions, and George Kraus stepped into Bob's vacant board position.

Pre-Tech

At Spring 1, we started the 2008 pre-tech process. If you did not get your kart teched and tagged at Spring 1, please make sure to go by the tech barn before your next race and have it safety teched. Remember to bring your helmet with you to show that it is at least Snell 2000.

Track Closed

On Friday April 11th the track will be closed to members. The track will be used for SWRC paid practice participants only. Drivers will need to be registered to race on Saturday or Sunday and pay an additional \$50 for practice on Friday.

The track will be closed Saturday and Sunday for the race.

Pre-Registration

NTK is pleased to announce online registration is back through www.RaceLaps.com. You need to create a free account to be able to make online purchases. Race entry fees, transponder rental & pit runner electricity are all available for online purchase. Beat the lines and get on the track fast on race day with online registration!

Backwards Racing

Starting at Spring 2, all the even numbered races will be run backwards on the track. This means some changes to what you are used.

1. At the end of the odd numbered race (i.e. Spring 1), the track will officially change directions. All practice from that point until the backwards race will be held backwards (in a clockwise rotation around the track).
2. You will find a sign at the track entrance from the pits indicating the current direction of the track. Please take care to follow those signs to avoid accidents during practice.
3. As always, check the track before going out to see what other karts are out there and what direction they are traveling.
4. It is your responsibility to ensure your safety as well as that of others by honoring the practice direction.

Track Gate

Members, please remember that one of the privileges you pay for as a member is the chance to practice on non-race days. As a part of that, it is very important that you close and lock the gate behind you if it is not a race day. Allowing non members to enter the track behind you makes your membership worth less and it puts the track at risk because the non-members are not covered under our insurance.

Fun Day and Swap Meet

Everyone is invited to the NTK Fun Day & Swap Meet held at the track April 26th from 1pm-6pm. We are having a work day in the morning from 9am-1pm. The Fun Day & Swap Meet starts at 1pm. It is open to the public but only members (and their guests) are allowed to drive their karts on the track. Bring your karting stuff that you want to sell and maybe you can clean out your garage/trailer some.

Rotax Rule Review

I have been asked to remind all Rotax drivers about the rules for tape on your radiators. You may not remove tape from the radiator during a race. Any tape you put on must be wrapped around the radiator so that it cannot be removed.

Parking at NTK

This is a reminder of some points to remember when driving or parking at NTK.

1. Please do not drive your vehicle across the pit runner except at the one spot marked for crossing. The weight of the vehicle breaks the concrete down and causes more work for club volunteers.
2. The first spots on each side of the pit runner are reserved for sponsors. These spots are going to be re-marked, but until then remember that they are still reserved. Please do not park in those spots unless you are a sponsor.
3. You are entitled to 1 pit spot per paid entry for the race. If you need more space, please park at the far end of the pit runner.

Concessions at NTK

The concession stand will no longer be available at NTK. For this upcoming races, please remember to bring your food and beverages with you.

If you know anyone that would be interested in selling concessions at the track, please get in touch with a board member.

By Law Change Proposal

The following two proposed changes will be voted on at next month's club meeting.

From

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From:

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The secretary will document who is at the workdays by the workers sign up sheet, IT IS THE MEMBERS RESPONSIBILITY TO SIGN THE WORK SHEET FOR THAT DAY OR THE NATIONAL OR REGIONAL THEY WORKED, or they will have to attend another work day.

Only one work credit per membership per workday allowed even if more than one worker is present from a membership."

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A work credit can be earned by each family member aged 16 and up completing 4 hours of work.

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