

*Northern California Track Association  
Region 11 Annual Meeting  
December 6, 2009*

Meeting called to order at 8:15 am by President Bob Snow for 2009. Meeting held at the RPM in Sacramento. Visitors Art Verlengiere and Rick Scribner from IKF and Claudio Valiente from Italian Motors.

**Board Members Present:**

Bob Snow, Chris Ranuio, Cindy Duhn. Not present, Renee Chavez.

Clubs Present: Atwater, Davis, Dixon, Medford, Monterey Bay, NCK, Prairie City, Reno, Redding and Stockton. Not present, Infineon.

Thanks to all for attending the meeting, including MMI, Cambrian Go Karts, and Kristin from RMG. Norcal had a pretty successful series even though it was only 5 races. The racers seemed to like the shorter series and the comparison to last year is pretty much the same average count of about 105/per race – not bad with the current economy.

**Club Reports:**

Atwater: (hereafter AKC)

Chip Mooneyham – season pretty good. Did get a reduction in their rent. Lost money at every race. Gold Rush Series really helped. Turkey race only (3) classes. Have \$6,000 – \$7,000 in club account. Need to try fewer classes to get over earlier.

Davis:

Gary Peeler – down year/rebuilding year. Purchased a new computer and a new cover for over Grid A. Looking forward to more karts next year. Membership 60/40 – 40% racers and 60% recreational – trying to work recreational into racers. Bank account healthy.

Dixon:

Pat McCawley – Lots of capital improvements over the year. New tower and re-sealed track. Other clubs asked if re-surface/re-seal had improved kart counts. Not really sure. Gold Rush a big plus – looking to further improve. 70-100 average kart count.

Stockton:

Chris Ranuio – Counts down – directly related to economy. 40-60 average kart count per race. They do rent track out to motorcycles for added income. No major improvements in the works. Did re-seal 1 year ago – a little slippery at first really good now. Other clubs asked for re-seal info – Chris will email the clubs with this info.

Monterey:

George Young – Salinas not Monterey Bay – started 3 years ago. Bought everything from them – same track – track re-stripped. Negotiated with City of Marina to keep track set-up most of the time. Using Kart Score – major problems – need new scoring system. \$9,600.00 for used system. Kart counts 25-30. \$7,600 in bank at end of year. \$2,000 donated.

Medford:

Brad Garfield – Club doing well. 100 families belong to Southern Oregon Karters. A lot don't race. Club rents track to Super Moto for additional income. Duffy Livingston Invitational every year with vintage karts. Have an increase in entry level karts. Average 54-68 karts. More Yamahas. 3 phase paving project in process. 2 phases done – spent \$60,000 on 3<sup>rd</sup> phase (\$20,000 donated) – the project is completed but did finance \$40,000. Lease with Jackson County is good until 2020. In spring of 2010 will start project for kart shop on site with kart rental the building has been donated. Club continues to pay \$100 in travel expenses to any club member who travels to Region 11 IKF race.

### Prairie City:

Erik Bartolero – New ownership – Les & Joey Hand.  
Track open every day now except Wednesday.

### Redding:

Dan Pellizzarri – Membership is down – 80 families.  
Regional series is good. Focused on family this year. Hosted 4 Cycle Grand Nationals – Rick Scribner big help at Nationals. No red flags – fabulous racing. Went into event trying to accommodate as many people as possible to help increase kart count. Spent \$7000 on shade structures. Vintage folks to show up in March. Trying to put the fun factor back into racing.

### Reno:

Dave Brant – Had 2 Cycle Grand Nationals – largest event in 10 years. Spent a lot up front before event – 80 feet of covered grid, Scribner barriers and cracks sealed. Still in negotiations with airport on lease. Decreasing membership fee's in 2010. Using incentives to have member's bring their friends out to race – Each pay \$25.00 for that race. Clone class going to be run at NNKC in 2010 – 9 new members. 42 members – 30 racer's for events. \$12,000 in bank.

### NCK:

Roger Miller – It cost the NCK \$8,000 - \$10,000 to rent asphalt for event – tracks are pushing them out of summer time. Turnout about the same – growing over the last 4 years. Road Race Grand Nationals at Buttonwillow – June 29 – July 2. There is no 3 punch rule to come to Road Race Grand Nationals. Run about 20 classes – but do run combined classes scored separately.

### **Race Director Report:**

Tom Halbasch not here – Bob Snow felt the year went well no problems – glad to have Tom.

### **Tech Director Report:**

Bob Snow again felt like it was a great year – even though a short series (5 races). Bob thinks he was a bit lenient with tech this year. With the economy he did not want to tear racer's motors down to the crank at every race.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

Second green tab in binders. Cindy made presentation. Just about broke even this year – what we made and what we spent. We had a \$451.31 deficit. Did not have any major expenditures other than the (2) Grants to Reno & Redding. Ed Diederich asked if any upcoming expenditures? Repair to radios? Cindy stated none expected at this time – will have to look into radio charger's not charging. Dan Pellizzarri states Redding has some charger's which were left at Redding after Nationals he will send them back to NCTA. Motion to accept financial report by George Young (Monterey) second by Brad Garfield (Medford). All those in favor of accepting 2009 Financial Report unanimously passed with all clubs voting.

### **Old Business:**

Financial report for 2008 was never approved or accepted at last years meeting due to a question in regards to \$6,800 in bank charges with no explanation. It was moved that we just accept last year's financial report as is by Dan Pellizzarri (Redding) second by George Young (Monterey). All those in favor of accepting 2008 Financial Report as is Davis, Stockton, Prairie City, Redding, Reno, Atwater, Medford & Monterey – Dixon abstained. 2008 Financial Report accepted.

### **Nominations of Officers for 2010**

Motion for nominations of officers by Dixon 2<sup>nd</sup> by Stockton.

For President – **Rick Luther** by Dixon

**Les Hand** by PC

Motion to close nominations by Dixon & Stockton

Voting in favor of Rick Luther – PC, AKC, Stockton, Dixon,

Monterey

Voting in favor of Les Hand – Reno, Medford, Redding,  
Davis

**Rick Luther is voted President**

For Vice President – **Les Hand** by Monterey

**George Young** by Reno

George Young declines nomination – Motion to close

Nominations by Monterey & Redding

Voting in favor of Les Hand – Vote unanimous by all clubs

**Les Hand is voted Vice President**

For Secretary & Treasurer - **Cindy Duhn** by Redding

Asked if Cindy Duhn would be both Secretary & Treasurer

She agrees to nomination. Motion to close nominations by

Monterey & PC. Voting in favor of Cindy Duhn – Vote

unanimous by all clubs. **Cindy Duhn is voted**

**Secretary/Treasurer**

NCTA 2010 Board is:

Rick Luther – President

Les Hand – Vice President

Cindy Duhn – Secretary/Treasurer

Round of applause to Bob Snow. Rick Luther addressed the  
Membership.

## **New Board**

Go over previous minutes from this year – especially October  
25<sup>th</sup> meeting which all clubs were invited to but some were  
unable to attend. Explained that this meeting was a precursor to  
annual meeting in hopes some things could be resolved and less  
time needed at today's meeting for little things. It is hoped that  
in 2010 we will have quarterly meetings with the board and club  
representative's. It is noted that proposals did not get mailed out

this year and that changes for the 2010 race series are being made based on the driver's survey's which were handed out to all driver's at Reno IKF and posted on website's x 3 months prior to October meeting.

Medford question's being voted out of NCTA vs. out of race  
No just out of race – racer's voted again this year as in the past that with the economy they did not want to drive to Medford. They have expressed this in the past as well and also it was felt that Medford sends no driver's to the Region 11 series.

Motion to make 2010 Race Series a (6) race series: All those in favor – clubs voted unanimously to run (6) race series.

There is a rotation in effect for choosing race dates – motion is made to continue to use this rotation – and if a club either chooses to not have a race or loses a race due to being last on the list – that club does not lose their voting rights. Motion by Atwater and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Monterey. All those in favor – vote is unanimous.

This rotation order for 2011 will be:

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| (1) Reno     | (6) Prairie City |
| (2) Dixon    | (7) Redding      |
| (3) Atwater  | (8) Medford      |
| (4) Davis    | (9) Stockton     |
| (5) Monterey |                  |

Discussion about giving money to clubs who won't have race in 2010 since we already voted to run a short series. Originally thought \$2500 to (3) clubs – too much – changed to \$6000 total - \$2000 to each club not hosting a 2010 race. Motion by Monterey and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Atwater to offer grant money to clubs not hosting a 2010 race. All those in favor – vote is unanimous.

According to the bylaws return to ruling that club that host 1<sup>st</sup> race host the year end banquet. This does not require a vote – just return to original intent.

Discussion on throw-away in a short race series – racer's asking for no throw-away – also an advantage for the last club since all racer's have to attend all races to determine winner. Motion by Dixon and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Stockton to have no throw-away. All those in favor – vote is unanimous.

Discussion on one day event. Help save the racer's money – don't have to pull kids out of school, don't have to pay for hotel for extra night, saves club money only have to pay race staff and ambulance for one day. Club would host all day practice on Saturday (pure profit for clubs) then race all day on Sunday. Motion to vote on one day event by Monterey and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Atwater. All those in favor Stockton, Dixon, Medford, Davis, Atwater, Redding, Prairie City, Monterey. Opposed Reno. Motion passes.

Redding asks for vote on 7 race series with (1) throw-away. Motion by Redding and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Atwater to have 7 race series with (1) throw-away. All those in favor Redding only club in favor – all those opposed Dixon, Davis, Atwater, Stockton, Medford, Reno, Monterey, Prairie City. Motion fails.

Discussion on Race day – Motion to have 1<sup>st</sup> practice session be timed and use as qualifying by Atwater 2<sup>nd</sup> by Prairie City. All those in favor – none in favor. All those opposed – unanimously opposed – Motion fails

Discussion of Race day – Motion to have:

- (1) 5 min practice – timed and sets order to go out for qualifying (Same as was done in 2009)
- (1) Qualifying – green – white – checkered

(1) Pre Main

(1) Main

This is same format as 2009. Motion by Dixon, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Prairie City. All those in favor – unanimously voted in favor by all clubs. Motion passes.

Discussion on Race Director – Motion to have Race Director follow series by Redding, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Reno. All those in favor – unanimously voted in favor by all clubs. Motion passes.

Discussion on Tech Director – Motion to have Tech Director follow series by Atwater, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Prairie City. All those in favor – unanimously voted in favor by all clubs. Motion passes.

It was decided to postpone vote on actual Race Director and Tech Director – each club to submit nominees and will take vote at a later date.

Supplemental ruling – with the one day series voted on by clubs earlier there will be no practice at club Monday through Friday the week of the IKF race. Official practice to be held on Saturday. Can arrive at clubs Friday evening for set-up but no practice. Motion to vote on no practice at track holding IKF race (Monday through Friday) the week of the race by Prairie City, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Atwater. All those in favor – unanimously voted in favor by all clubs. Motion passes.

## **Presentations**

Claudio and Michael Valiente from Italian Motors gave presentation on IAME Proposal. Essentially if you run all the IAME classes (Gazelle, Leopard Jr 2, Leopard Jr 3, Leopard Senior, Leopard Masters) then Italian Motors will give an engine to each class at end of year. Also, Italian Motors will give 10%

off parts with a motor purchase. They will be providing an IAME trophy at year end for each class. This proposal is for running all 5 classes only – cannot just run one class and qualify for IAME proposal.

Art Verlengiere from IKF gave a presentation on all that IKF has to offer.

- \* Does have the most comprehensive rule book.
- \* Insurance prices now very competitive.
- \* They now offer a complete accounting package.
- \* They continue to match funds.
- \* They offer year end championship jackets or you can get \$70.00 toward Region 11 championship jackets. Now the champions get (1) jacket from IKF and (1) jacket from Norcal (NCTA).
- \* IKF offers space on their website for NCTA
- \* Regional points
- \* Offering to Region 11 clubs – 1<sup>st</sup> time IKF membership for \$25.00 for first year – more info to follow from IKF
- \* IKF feels without clubs & tracks no more karting

Presentation's complete return to meeting

Bob Snow asks for nominations to be sent to him from the clubs for the Bobby Chavez award for 2009.

Donald Durbin Sr. – Cambrian Go Karts asks if he can discuss a few things which his customers have concerns over.

1. Fuel – Mr. Durbin states he has spoken with Rick Gold at ERC and he would be willing to be at the tracks for our race's and charge approx. \$11.00-\$12.00/gallon – Mr. Durbin states his customers would like Region 11 to go back to a fuel truck at the track. Fuel in 2009 was a problem.

2. Tech – Mr. Durbin states his customers want good tech – even if you have to tear it all down.

Discussion about race fees – Motion by Redding to keep race fee's the same in 2010, Second by Dixon. All those in favor – unanimous vote in favor – Race fee's to remain the same.

Discussion about tires for 2010 – per Rick Scribner from IKF still waiting for final word on tires – multiple proposals in – Discussion on tires to be postponed until IKF decides on tire compound.

Advertising for 2010 – Chris Scribner to help – clubs looking for more stories on Region 11 drivers & races. Looking into different publications.

Discussion regarding HPV – dead as of July 1? Yamaha to pipe only. Type of clutch? Jr. Sportsman still 3 hole can? More discussion to follow on this – per Roger Miller he will forward to us the IKF rules on Yamaha for 2010.

Discussion of standardizing tech – what about going back to rolling the dice and having (6) standard items. All clubs agreed with positive discussion. Les Hand agreed to get dice and set-up (6) standard tech items.

Discussion of classes for 2010 season –

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| * Kid Kart                            | * 80 Senior       |
| * Jr. 1-2                             | * 125 Stock Moto  |
| * HPV 1                               | * 80 Masters      |
| * HPV 2/Jr. Super Sportsman           | * IKF TaG Masters |
| * IKF Super Sportsman Medium          | * IKF TaG Jr.     |
| * 4 Cycle – World Formula 380lb (Gas) | * IKF TaG Senior  |
| Animal 350lb (Alcohol)                |                   |

Motion to approve above classes for 2010 season by Dixon – 2<sup>nd</sup> by Prairie City. All those is favor – vote unanimous. Motion passes.

Discussion on Race schedule for 2010 – it has already been voted on that the 2010 season will be a 6 race series with no throwaway. Monterey and Medford agree to not have a race in 2010. The rotation for 2010 Season is:

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|-------------|-----------------|
| 1) Stockton | 6) Monterey     |
| 2) Reno     | 7) Prairie City |
| 3) Dixon    | 8) Redding      |
| 4) Atwater  | 9) Medford      |
| 5) Davis    |                 |

The rotation is started and Stockton picks April 11<sup>th</sup>

Reno picks July 11<sup>th</sup>

Dixon picks March 7<sup>th</sup>

Atwater picks May 2<sup>nd</sup>

Davis pick February 7<sup>th</sup>

Monterey opts out of race

Prairie City picks June 6<sup>th</sup>

Redding no race in 2010

Medford opts out of race

Atwater motions to pass race schedule for 2010 Region 11 Super Series, Dixon 2<sup>nd</sup> – All those in favor Stockton, Reno, Dixon, Atwater, Davis, Monterey, Prairie City & Medford. Redding abstains. Motion passes for 2010 Region 11 Super Series.

Discussion regarding 2009 Norcal Region 11 Banquet – Cindy Duhn asked the clubs if they would be willing to donate a membership, races or practice time. This is a win-win for clubs, does not cost them anything & they get new members who may bring friends with them to race.

Atwater – Donates 1 Free Race

Davis – Donates 1 Free membership

Dixon – Donates 1 Free membership

Monterey – Donates 2 Free race's

Medford - Donates 2 Free memberships

Donates 2 Free races

Prairie City – Donates 1 Free membership

Redding - Donates 3 Free practices

Reno - Donates 1 Free membership

Donates 1 Free race

Stockton – Donates 2 Free membership

Donates 2 Free race's

Donates 2 Free practice's

Also, Art from RLV agrees to donate for banquet

Claudio Valiente from Italian motors agrees to donate for banquet

Scribner Plastics will donate for banquet

Cambrian Go Kart \$200 in items & \$200.00 off store purchase

Race Media Group will donate posters of all champions

Erik Bartolero will donate 1 day of private driving lessons

Discussion about Region 11 membership list – would like all clubs to try and send NCTA Secretary list of members for data base. All clubs agreed. Should also try and get email addresses.

Per bylaws would like to return to original date for annual Norcal Meeting – first weekend of November.

Also would like to return to having proposals available to racers and sent out to club's for presentation at annual Norcal Meeting.

Suggestions for Shasta Kart Club to have Norcal shootout in lieu of Regional race this year.

Looking for sponsorship for 2010 Region 11 Super Series. Joey Hand also looking in to this.

Meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

