

Welcome to the July newsletter but where to start? Thanks to all that attended the AGM, the draft minutes are on this link:

https://abkc.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2026/06/Mins_ABKC_AGM2026.pdf

The new Steering Group met and discussed various topics of current interest, some of which were forwarded to Kart Committee for their consideration. Following more complaints about bad behaviour from people attending our events, we drafted a new Code of Conduct to augment the existing Race with Respect code. You can find the draft here:

https://abkc.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2026/06/Code_of_Conduct_Draft.pdf

We would welcome comments, and especially about what penalties should be applied to persistent or egregious breaches of the code. It has been suggested that a person or family should be banned from all ABKC member clubs in the worst case. Motorsport UK and the ABKC will align on the best place to position the document after any comments are received. By the way if you reference the Kart Yearbook appendices in your regulations we're sure you all noticed that Appendix 4 became 5, and our ABKC Appendix 5 became 6!

Kart Safeguarding & Welfare Agreement

We are asked to remind clubs that this will be mandatory from 2027, and that their club recognition will be dependent on having the agreement completed. Motorsport UK recognise that the process can feel quite daunting for some clubs. They would like to make clear that if any club is struggling, or needs any support at all, they should reach out to the Safeguarding team at Motorsport UK, who are there to help guide them through the process. Once confirmed clubs may be offered a free Race with Respect banner, but there are other options for purchasing RWR pull ups or banners, contact the Secretary for information on how to order.

New ARKS Videos

Motorsport UK and ARKS have released the new videos for new drivers and parent / guardians. The videos are in the public domain, on the Motorsport UK youtube channel and the links are here:

Driver Video:

<https://youtu.be/QE7Td9-EEe0>

PG & Adult Driver Video:

<https://youtu.be/x4xPd-3ra4U>

You can put these links on your club website if you wish.

Super KX event procedures

A webinar is planned for Super KX event operators. Meanwhile the procedures to follow are here:

<https://abkc.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2026/07/Super-K-X-Club-Level-Karting-Guidelines.pdf>

Please remember to show new drivers the ARKS Videos, oversee them taking the mini flags written test, apply their photo, and file the test form for future reference. Forms can be obtained from Peter Stockwin Peter.Stockwin@motorsportuk.org. Proposals to allow up to three signatures to be used for upgrades to National licence from Super KX events will be out of consultation soon. Note this really only applies to those with Interclub licences, not a KX licence where they can only race at one venue.

Vega Tyre Vouchers

Motorsport UK still have plenty of the Vega Cadet tyre vouchers. Clubs may apply for up to 6 voucher per calendar year and welcome opportunities to support events. Send the request to kart@motorsportuk.org.

Mechanics licence details for entries

By now all clubs that use Alpha should be asking for the mechanic's licence with the race entry. If the Competitor is a Privateer, then the mechanic licence number should match the PG Entrant Licence Number and Competition Secretaries should check they match and the number is not a fake like 12345. All mechanics that attend the BKC/TKC/UKC will have a licence number.

Light Panels

Venues with FIA approved homologated light panels should be requesting Safety to add them to their track licence diagram, if not already on.

New Penalty & Medical Statistics documents

A new Kart event penalty form has been issued, see here:

[Summary-of-Karting-Penalties-1.pdf](#)

Similarly there is a new Medical Statistics form for 2026 [2026-01-13-motorsport-uk-medical-statistics.pdf](#)

Media Accreditation

The Steering Group were made aware of events having many more applications for on track media permissions. Such media must have suitable public liability insurance stating that the insurers are aware that they will be on a live motorsport circuit. In addition since they will almost certainly be working with children, they should have a DBS or PVG. Since these media are often working for teams or drivers for their social output and being paid, should a fee be charged for access? Comments are welcome. Motorsport UK are considering whether there should be a central registration. Clubs should ensure that such media are briefed and given the circuit media no-go area map.

Race Director role

Some events have listed a Race Director in their official list, but there is no such role in NCRs. Kart Committee discussed whether there was a need and decided not. Chairman Nigel Edwards plans to have further discussion about the role with Dan Parker.

Event Healthcare Standards

The government is removing the exemption on medical personnel and vehicles needing to be CQC registered for outdoor events from December 2027. Motorsport UK are in discussion about the implications.

Right of Review

Since entrants seem to be using the Right of Review in place of appeals, Kart Committee had a discussion on whether it was necessary for all or some of kart meetings. No immediate decision was made.

Championship regulation applications

The proposals for championship applications should be going out for consultation soon, but the changes would not come into effect until 2027, meaning that clubs will still have to lodge a Notice of Intent this year. The link is

here:

<https://www.cognitoforms.com/MotorsportUK1/2027KartChampionshipNoticeOfIntentForm>

Permit applications

Clubs are reminded that when applying for a permit, there is an event set up date. This can be used to give cover to officials when setting up a meeting, e.g. the day or days prior to the actual event. The officials must be signed on before carrying out these pre event tasks.

Clubs, Volunteers and Team of the Year

Applications are now open, they have been opened earlier than usual to give everyone time to consider their applications. The annual awards are an opportunity for Motorsport UK to celebrate and reward the efforts of clubs, volunteers and organisations for their outstanding contribution to the vibrant motorsport community.

Visit the dedicated webpage here:

[Awards - Motorsport UK - The beating heart of UK motorsport](#)

Motorsport Venues at Risk

Motorsport venues are often vulnerable to:

- Development pressure
- Noise complaints
- Financial viability
- Land use changes

A register of at-risk venues allows Motorsport UK to:

- Identify threats early rather than reacting when it's too late
- Prioritise interventions
- Develop tools to help Clubs

If your club is aware of a venue (fixed or temporary) that is at risk of being lost, please complete [this form](#)." ABKC are aware of threats to Clay Pigeon and Darley Moor. Please let us know, and complete the form for any others you might be aware of.

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