

Phoenix Kart Racing Association (PKRA) LLC
22500 N 43rdE Ave, Glendale, AZ 85310
Date of Business Establishment March 5th, 1982

PKRA Club Meeting
March 9, 2026, 7:00 PM
Venue: PKRA

Call to order at 7:02 PM. John, Rich, David, Paul, Charlie, James and Cameron were present.

Open – John – Finance Review – Race Day Planning

- 3 members are online

Financial Review – Update – Current Balance Sheet – including Income/Expense

- 20,591 Checking
- 95K savings
- 6K CD
- Slab cost pending
- Add 9K for the B Grid canopy
- 16K to 20K for Grid B Installation. Estimated 35K for total B Grid canopy
- 85 total entries for race #9
- Proposed a \$100 surcharge for membership which would be refunded if the member participated in a workday.
- Total liquid assets are approximately \$115,000 with \$16,000-\$35,000 in pending commitments
- Financial position is stable for upcoming projects
- A member asked about racer count and financial performance from yesterday's race
- Brett: Confirmed 81 racers attended
- Break-even point is around 60 racers, so the event had 21 racers above break-even
- PKRA: Estimated \$25 profit per racer above break-even
- Conclusion
- Race exceeded break-even by 21 participants, generating positive revenue
- Detailed financial breakdown to be provided later



Update on Race Tires

- Four-stroke tires will remain Hoosier through RLV for two seasons through end of next winter season
- RLV agreement includes current pricing with advance notice of any increases and tire give-back programs
- Two-stroke tires will continue with current supplier due to market uncertainty
- RLV wanted a one-year commitment rather than month-to-month
- Cameron: Noted that Rotax and Skuza Pro Tour now use Envinco tires, aligning with West Coast two-stroke tire choice

Competition Committee Update

- Noted that scoring system continues to be a big win with good communication during races
- Reported competition committee meeting went well, changes are flowing smoothly, recent race went well
- Discussed tech tools with Rich; committee supports purchasing any needed compliance checking tools
- Mentioned needing some tools for Rotax inspection, mostly external measurements with calipers
- Planning to source wire engine seals, possibly from K1's supplier Uline
- Suggested using seals on 206 engines linking carbs to engine with drilled bolts

Membership Service Fee Proposal

- Membership Service Fee Proposal
- Proposal to add a \$100 refundable fee to encourage member volunteerism.
- Proposed adding \$100 to membership fee, refundable when members attend a volunteer workday
- Goal is to encourage volunteerism rather than generate revenue; would prefer to refund all \$22,000 and have 250 volunteers



- Referenced another club that faced similar volunteer issues and eventually had to hire out all services
- With 227 primary memberships, this could generate \$22,000 if no one volunteers, which could be used to hire labor
- Suggested alternative revenue sources like increasing track rental rates and pit spot fees instead of affecting all membership prices
- Clarified the goal is behavioral change toward volunteerism, not revenue generation
- A member agreed that pit spots are too cheap, recommended \$200-\$300 per year per spot
- Board will draft a letter to members explaining the proposal before voting
- Decision deferred to allow member feedback

Rentals

- Policies and prices will be changed as previously discussed.
- The changes will take place and be announced before the summer session
- Confirmed board has already verbally approved rate increases starting summer season
- Noted 90-day advance notice period has been given to current renters
- Confirmed final details not yet voted on but plan is in place
- Explained summer season has 50-60% capacity loss due to heat
- See the PKRA Track Rental link on PKRA's website for detailed information and policies.

Race Coordinator Remote Access

- Race coordinator's availability for upcoming Rotax races
- Reported race coordinator sent email stating she can work remotely with laptop through Amanda
- Noted some network reset issues have occurred
- Expressed concern about remote access as long-term plan, prefers on-site capability
- To discuss availability alignment with summer schedule

Tuesday Night Practice Session Management

- Speed discrepancies are occurring on beginner's night. CB Motorsports, along with a couple of other drivers, are quicker but not ready for the race day.



- Scott will separate Jr 2 drivers from other classes. He will continue to have track walks.
- Members raised concerns about drivers 5-7 seconds off race pace creating safety issues
- Clarified the slower drivers own their karts and are being properly coached by CB
- Explained the drivers are being taught proper etiquette, have correct setup, and are improving
- Separated groups the following week to address concerns
- Plans to separate Junior 2s from seniors and masters, conduct track walk at 7pm
- Confirmed Christian was cooperative and willing to have parents contacted
- Rich and Jeff: Will assist with group management
- The objective is to maintain as safe conditions as possible.

Tech Inspection

- Asked Rich for high-level tech update and member compliance with tech sheets
- Still correcting minor errors on tech sheets like serial number placement and signatures
- Completed helmet expiration date checks at last race
- Noted helmet expiration is 10 years per NKRA rulebook
- Reported overall improvement in compliance

Merchandise

- Noted increased merchandise visibility with members wearing hats and shirts
- Clarified PKRA logo available to anyone wanting to use it, no exclusivity
- Confirmed anonymous donor funded all setup fees for current merchandise
- PKRA not paying for any product costs; items sold at vendor cost
- Announced that members are funding new swag items for summer race
- Keeping new item details secret until release

Website Development and Management

- Proposed hiring vendors to manage social media, Facebook, website with Alpha integration



- Suggested using AI to keep website, Facebook updated with photos, articles, results
- Wants system that supersedes board elections and serves all future boards
- Referenced similar proposal from 4 years ago that club wasn't ready for
- Believes club may be ready now with antiquated current systems
- Plans to shop vendors and present costs to board

Canopy Update

- Members frequently ask when B grid will be completed
- All permits have been granted. Light stone will be the color.
- April is the targeted date. The latest would-be May 10th for completion.
- Adding bleachers from the south part of the track to the newly paved area next to tech and existing bleachers.
- Confirmed permits obtained and fabrication ordered with 4–6-week timeline
- Only remaining decision is canopy color selection
- Board discussed color options: light stone to match dirt vs. white to match existing structures vs. black to match current canopy
- Suggested bright color with large PKRA logo visible from aerial view
- Noted light stone blends in but doesn't match white structures; current canopy is black
- Board voted to approve bright color with PKRA logo Paul: Identified area near fence needing dirt fill to make flush with concrete slab
- Noted ground-up asphalt areas are getting bigger and need patching
- Suggested removing fence and posts once canopy installed, relocating fabric to inside to gain space
- Paul: Current area congested with cart stands and karts
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Storage Containers

- First container has one unit rented; second container has interest for 2 more units totaling 3 of 4 units
- Previous meeting had no vote on proceeding with only 3 units rented
- Difficult to sell fourth unit without confirmed installation timeline



- Calculated 3 units at 9,000 dollars against total cost of 12,750 dollars for container and installation
- Made motion to approve installation if cost stays under 13,000 dollars
- James: Confirmed interested party currently rents regular pit spaces and prefers container unit

Track Maintenance and Repair Needs

- This is in process. Asking members for volunteers.
- Bill adamant about issue near turn 3 with rumples coming up
- Suggested track walk to identify areas needing patching, even off-track areas
- Mentioned junior driver's cassette exploded hitting a hole
- Confirmed some spots on track need attention
- Wants to address issues before summer heat arrives
- Questioned permitting requirements for additional bleachers
- Confirmed no permitting is needed if using same type as existing; ADA requirements apply for different types
- Recommended immediately moving one bleacher from south of start line to B grid area
- Asked if crane needed or if bleacher can be dragged
- Getting quotes for new bleachers with potential handicap walk-ups

Facility Grading Work

- Ken has equipment, capability, and interest in facility grading work
- Needs to connect Ken with Paul for planning
- Needs to call Ken to discuss and develop approval plan
- Previously provided update on poles in November with all information available

COTA Race

- The promoter will cancel this event if entries don't meet a certain level. The promoter experienced a loss at K1 recently.
- The promoter will notify us according to our contract with him.

Track Records Website Update



- Website track records are 14 months out of date
- Worked with Adam Stern to create comprehensive spreadsheet with approximately 40 track records
- Forwarded spreadsheet to Heather and Manuel several weeks ago
- Spreadsheet approximately 90% current; Rotax records continue changing due to new tires
- Waiting for confirmation of publication before requesting Adam update spreadsheet again
- Will contact Manuel this week for timeline
- Noted AI system in proposed IT plan could automate future updates
- Credited Adam Stern as spreadsheet wizard
- Track records will be followed up with Manuel and Heather.
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Round Table Action items

- Contact Manuel this week regarding track records website update timeline
- Draft letter to members explaining membership service fee proposal before voting
- Research and obtain vendor quotes for IT and social media management services
- Send RLV tire contract documents to David for shared drive
- Cameron, PKRA, Competition Committee
- Discuss long-term race coordinator on-site coverage plan and summer availability
- Board
- Finalize and vote on track rental rate increase details for summer season implementation
- Scott, Rich, Jeff
- Manage Tuesday night practice groups by skill level
- Conduct track walk at 7pm on Tuesday nights
- Purchase necessary tech inspection tools for compliance checking
- Research and source wire engine seals, possibly from K1/Uline
- PKRA, volunteers
- Schedule and conduct track walks to assess repair needs before summer
- Confirm installation date with canopy fabricator
- Contact Ken to plan facility grading work and develop approval process
- Provide bleacher quotes to board via email when received
- James



- Proceed with second storage container installation if cost remains under 13,000 dollars
- Update track records spreadsheet once publication timeline confirmed Board
- Develop detailed layout for scale installation before proceeding with project

Meeting Adjourned – 7:47 PM

