

The Club Offers You . . .

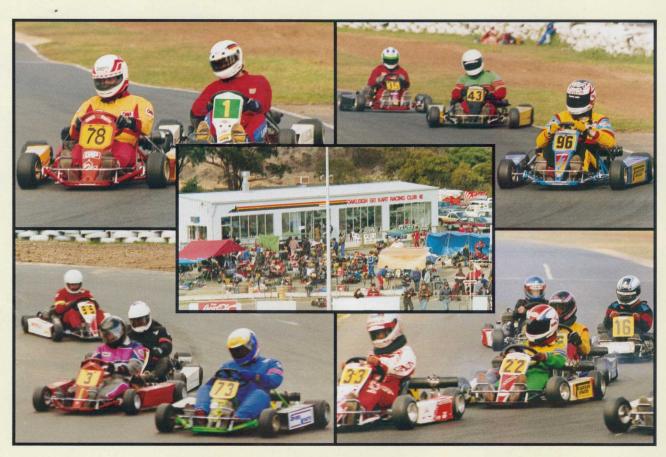
Secure Tenure - that provides for independence and flexibility to improve and enhance track layout and facilities now, and in the future.

Track Available - to the karter almost every day of the year for practice and competition.

Competitor and Spectator Facilities - that are second to none in the karting world. A sport where the whole family can participate, and

Companionship and a Source of Experience—with/from other Club members who successfully patronize many of the almost weekly run "Open Race Meetings" at most tracks around Victoria and interstate.

Safe and Controlled Environment - The sport enjoys an enviable safety record with competitor and spectator aspects being a prime consideration



friends and family are provided for with all the spectator comforts.

Club Room Facilities - that are the envy of any sporting organisation. Seating for over 140. Including: fully fitted kitchen, canteen, refrigerator and freezer room. Available most weekends in the year.

Competition Driving - that statistically places you amongst some of Australia's best drivers, largest fields, and on a great race track. Oakleigh driver successes at open race meetings are proof enough of this fact.

"P Plate" Racing - Oakleigh provides separate races on Club race days for large fields of novice drivers. This better educates the driver to racing within "traffic" rather than just from the tail of the field.

of Oakleigh Go Kart Racing Club, and of the governing bodies of karting generally.

Education and Responsibility - are perhaps two of the greatest benefits the community derives from karting where the involvement of the young particularly, produces better drivers.

A Professionally Well Run and Financial Club

- this is extremely important to the future growth and goals of Oakleigh Go Kart Racing Club. General meetings are well attended and the Club has the participation of a strong and diligent Committee and many tireless workers.

Apart from all this today, Oakleigh offers exciting growth, and a bright future for karting and karters.

Sprint Kart Racing . . .

LICENCING: All drivers must belong to a kart club and may then apply to the state body for a licence. The first three race meetings are run on a "P" Plate from the rear of the grid. Observers and officials pay careful attention to the driving of "P" Plate competitors and after satisfactory completion of each race meeting, officials will endorse the driver's licence. After successful competition at three race meetings, drivers spend a further meeting under the supervision of a corner flag marshall, getting a close appreciation of other drivers and flag rules. The initial twelve month "C Grade" licence allows the driver to practice on the track, and to compete in all Club day racing and most "Open" race meetings. Thereafter drivers progress to a "B Grade" licence which allows competition at all State and National Title events. It's worth mentioning that at Oakleigh on our monthly Club race days, we provide a series of races restricted solely to "P" Plate licence holders. This gives the novice driver an opportunity to race amongst other competitors of similar experience.

SCRUTINEERING: Prior to the start of each race meeting, all karts are inspected for compliance with safety and class regulations. All classes have a minimum weight limit for the kart and driver, and post race weighins and motor and fuel inspections are a feature of all race meetings.

SPRINT CLASSES

"MIDGETS" (7 to 11 YEARS) and "ROOKIES" (11 to 13 YEARS)

These classes cater for boys and girls 7 to 13 years of age, and with a purpose to teach young people to drive karts of restricted performance at limited cost. Kart and engine specifications are detailed in the Australian Karting Association (AKA) manual which is provided to drivers when they apply for their licence.

Midgets and Rookies are not permitted to run with Senior or Junior Classes. At events other than State Championships, Midgets and Rookies can run together if the numbers are not sufficient to form a field in their own right.

JUNIORS (12 to 17 YEARS OF AGE)

There are three classes that cater for varying tastes in speed and expense.

"JUNIOR NATIONAL CLASS"

Is designed for young drivers just entering the sport. Tyres are restricted to one brand (hard compound, slow wearing) and the engine is the reliable 100cc Yamaha KT100J. With tyres that last approximately 8 race meetings, and motors that need infrequent rebuilds, it is a very economical class to run and allows drivers to learn the skills of motor sport without the technical worries of the open class. Light and Heavyweight divisions are raced to provide an opportunity to all drivers.

"JUNIOR CLUBMAN"

This is a higher performance class for drivers who have gained experience in Junior National Class before being eligible for entry. The Yamaha KT100S motor gives slightly higher performance, and like the National Class is run on restricted tyres and is fairly economical to maintain.

"JUNIOR INTERNATIONAL"

This class allows a variety of high performance engines. Tyres used in this class are a high performance SL compound, with "wets" permissible. As with the Junior Clubman Class, drivers are required to have been licenced for twelve months and to be well experienced before being eligible.

SENIORS (17 YEARS AND OVER)

"NATIONAL CLASS"

Are restricted to Yamaha KT100J engines which must be maintained in standard form. Tyres are restricted to one brand of hard compound rubber to give longer life, low cost racing. This class is particularly suitable for newcomers to the sport.

"CLUBMAN CLASS"

Virtually identical to the National Class only the engine allowed is the 100cc Yamaha KT100S and again one brand of hard compound tyres. This engine gives slightly higher performance. As with the National Class, it is a very economical class to run and is well suited to new "senior" drivers to the sport, allowing them to learn the basics of driving without the complications of motor and tyre variables. Three weight divisions are usually contested providing an opportunity to all drivers regardless of size

"CLASS AUSTRALIA"

Allows a number of 100cc engines with restrictions on the modifications that can be made. Faster again than the Clubman Class, these karts run on one brand of high performance SL tyres. This and the Reed Class have grown in popularity at Oakleigh where large fields provide good competition and entertainment on Club days, and as a result, highly competitive drivers go on to contest the Open Race Meeting circuit.

"REED CLASS"

Allows a number of engines employing a reed valve arrangement. Engines can be modified to a higher degree and are relatively unrestricted.

"INTERNATIONAL CLASS"

This is the open or elite class in karting with engines allowed full modifications and tyres are unrestricted. The International Class is recognised around the world for the Sport's top karters and is a World Championship class. Oakleigh has always been well represented and its drivers have been extremely successful in open competition, particularly in the high performance classes.

"SUPER 200cc CLASS"

This class is for the karting specialist allowing the use of two International 100cc engines or a single 135cc engine. Run on open tyres and open fuel, this is a spectacular class which usually provides a field at Oakleigh Club days, but may be otherwise restricted to open meetings. This is due to most other clubs having insufficient numbers to provide fields for this (and some other) class on their Club race days.

"CLUBMAN 200cc CLASS"

This class is less expensive to run than the Supers and is restricted to use only two Yamaha KT100S engines. Run on approved soft compound tyres, and "wets" are permissible. Petrol allowed to be 100 Octane maximum.

