

Vintage Karting



Vintage Karting Association (VKA)

www.VKAkarting.com

This is Vintage Karting...

I sure wish
I had one!

JOIN THE FUN !

I remember
those.



There's one in the
barn just like that!

My Uncle has one
just like that!

Karts from

1956-1987

VKA Logo Courtesy of Tom Medley

Supporting Vintage Karting since 2001!

THE BEGINNING-

Go karting began in 1956 when Art Ingels built the first go kart that still is recognizable in the modern go karts of today. Although there have been many improvements over the years, **vintage karting still brings the same fun and excitement it did over 60 years ago!**

The **Vintage Karting Association (VKA)** was started in 2001 to promote vintage karting across the country. Today, over a dozen events are held from Maryland to California and New York to Florida every year. Vintage karters enjoy the camaraderie and fun of the two or three day, **Tier I** or **Tier II** events.

Tier I demonstration events are scored and held for karts that qualify for over ten classes; ranging from Historic Karts to Dual and Triple Engine Karts on rear, sidewinder and enduro frames. Karters who prefer not to be scored and want to start at the back of the grid are also welcome at **Tier I** events. **Tier II** events are not scored and offer plenty of track time for similar vintage karts.

Clintons, Homelites, McCullochs, Power Products, West Bends and even some early foreign engines push these karts around the track ... **just like they used to!** Karts like Bug, Dart, Fox, GoKart, Margay, Putt-Nick, Simplex, *etc.* are just examples of many of the sprint and enduro karts from the early years at these events. Static displays and judging of these karts are part of Kart Shows, too.

WHAT VKA DOES-

VKA is a non-sanctioning, non-profit organization whose mission is to promote exhibition of these, now historic, sprint and enduro machines in both static Kart Shows that highlight the restoration talents of vintage karters and Demonstration Events that allow vintage karters the opportunity to operate these functional, historic machines on the track, recreating the look and excitement of actual competition. VKA establishes *Guidelines* that allow Event Promoters to hold events for vintage karts that are **consistent** with other events across the country.



FOR MORE INFORMATION-

VKA FIRSTTURN[®], a periodic publication, provides a wealth of information. The VKA web-site (www.VKAkarting.com) is another valuable resource. The **VKA Forum** is a place for members and non-members alike to ask questions and share information about vintage karting projects and problems. Members and non-members can buy and sell karts and parts and post notices of hard to get items. The VKA web-site also provides up-to-date information on all the VKA Events; Dates; Locations; Contact info; Event flyers; *Guidelines* and more. VKA is also part of the **facebook** experiences at www.Facebook.com/VintageKartingAssociation.

Vintage karters **AT** the VKA events are an invaluable source of information. Participants are usually surprisingly open with the secrets we all held “near and dear” years ago, and these are the same people with the know-how to solve the problem with a 60 year old kart, engine, carburetor, or ignition. Someone will have the answer or know someone who does have the answer.

WHY BECOME A VKA MEMBER?-

Only VKA Members get discounted entry fees at most VKA Events, copies of the **VKA FIRSTTURN**[®] Magazine/Newsletter, a **Membership Card** and the **VKA Patch** suitable for your favorite racing apparel.

The **VKA FIRSTTURN**[®] contains a variety of fascinating and useful articles of special interest to all vintage karters. Technical articles discuss **engine** rebuilds and modification; **carburetor** repair, rebuild and tuning hints; **frame** and **hub** restoration; **ignition** hints. Event summaries include pictures, event results and pictures of on-the-track-action and Kart Show entries and winners. Member Memories bring the reader closer to individuals’ **karting history**, past or unique **experiences** or just **fun stories**. Each **VKA FIRSTTURN**[®] also contains important information regarding the management and administration of the organization; Board meeting summaries, bank balance, Editor’s Comments, Safety Tips & Helpful Hints and resources available **TO** vintage karters **FROM** vintage karters.

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VKA is run by volunteers, and depends on members to make the whole thing work. Board Members manage the organization and head several committees that depend on members' participation to address the many issues facing an organization such as VKA; *Safety Guidelines*, *Class Guidelines*, Sprint and Enduro Event Planning, Membership, Kart Show Guidelines, PR and **VKA FIRSTURN®** publication and mailing.

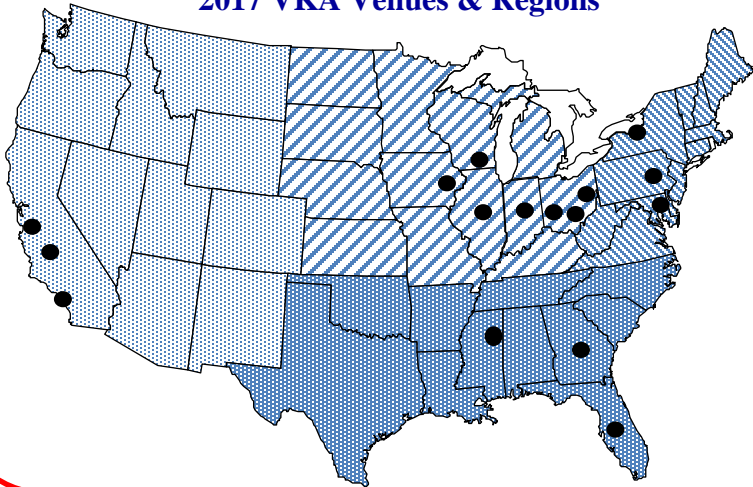
Start by joining VKA. A Full Membership for domestic karters is \$35; Associate Members (a household member) are \$10; Foreign Members are \$45 for 12 months from the time you join. Extended, 36-month memberships are also available. Applications are on the VKA website and should be sent to:

VKA Membership
4621 Wooded Acres Dr.
Arlington, TX 76016

Checks should be made payable to: **Vintage Karting Assn.**

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2017 VKA Venues & Regions



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