



Vintage Karting Association (VKA)

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This is Vintage Karting...



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Karts from



1956-1988

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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 FIRSTURN®, 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 <u>AT</u> 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 *FIRSTURN*[©] Magazine/Newsletter, a **Membership Card** and the VKA **Patch** suitable for your favorite racing apparel.

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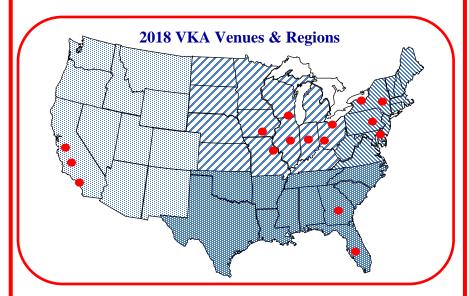
VKA is run by volunteers, and depends on members to make the whole thing work. Board Members manage the organization and head several committees that depend on members' participation to address the many issues facing an organization such as VKA; Safety *Guidelines*, Class *Guidelines*, Sprint and Enduro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

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