



Twilight Series Notice of Race

Sponsored by Landsailing Kapiti

We have a consensus for Wednesday night's to kick off our very first twilight series, every 1st and 3rd Wednesday starting from 2 December 2009 we will run a series of 6 twilight racing events.

Dates for the series are as follows:

December 2009	2 nd & 16 th
January 2010	6 th & 20 th
February 2010	3 rd & 17 th

These dates will be extended out on the same basis until 6 events are completed, updates via text by 3pm on the day.

Venue: **Bunnings site, Milne Drive, Paraparaumu**

(next to Shell garage) follow link for more detailed directions
<http://maps.google.co.nz/maps?hl=en&tab=wl>

Times:

Set up:	6.30 pm
Briefing:	6.50 pm
Race start:	7.00 pm
Race finish:	8.30 pm approx.

Times may be flexible depending on race conditions, course and start will be outlined at the briefing.

Meet at Bunnings Venue from 6.30pm for 7pm start.

Entry fees: \$5.00 per kart for each event
(pre-pay for all 6 events and pay just \$25)

Prize giving will be at the next Monteiths social meet (2nd Wednesday of month).

Format:

- Two divisions, under 85kgs and 85kgs+.
- Three races per night for each division
- 60% of the races must be completed to qualify for the prizes, this means you can miss 2 nights out of the 6 and still qualify.
- Minimum of 6 races will count for a series
- Points will be summed from 60% of races, so this allows for drops and bearing in mind, the 6 race minimum, the first drop will start after 7 races. So out of the maximum possible 18 races, up to 7 races will be dropped counting your best results from 11 races only. (60% of the total).

- Low points scoring, 1st place = 1, 2nd place = 2 ...
- An average of approx. 10 knots is required to race. The race officer/organiser will make the decision
- IBRA modified rules apply – see below
- All safety gear must be worn
- The long grass is an obstruction
- Keep talking, common sense and sportsmanship prevails

Start

All competitors must be stationary by the start area prior to the 2 minute signal

- There will be a warning signal for:
 - 2 min. Warning
 - 1 minute
 - Go
- You have to sail straight for the final 5 metres up to the start line, no bearing off to cut time if you are early
- If a blokart is over at the start then they must return behind the line without interfering with any other blokart before they are deemed to have started
- Direction for dial up will be announced at briefing
- Races will be 5 minutes in duration

Equipment and Sailing Rules:

- **See below**

Additional information...

Race fees will go towards maintenance costs of maintaining the mower for the mowing of the venue which has been kept to the minimum thanks to the voluntary "Forrest Gumps" whom have spent hours on the mower to get the site race ready. There will be ongoing maintenance so if you want to commit to some regular mowing please let us know and we can draw up a roster.

For members that do not have 5.5mtr sails there will be a couple available for hire from Landsailing Kapiti on a first in first served basis, but if the wind continues to come through like it did on Sunday then 4mtr and 3mtr sails will be very adequate.

Hireage for 5.5mtr sails - \$20 plus \$20 Bond, refundable if no damage. Cost of any damage sustained to be paid for by hirer.

**Blokart sailing is a fun activity.
The idea for this event is to bring blokart sailors together for a fun event
within a competitive environment. Enjoy yourself.
Capital Blokart Club – Short Twilight Series
Conditions and Rules**

Equipment Rules:

IBRA rules apply plus:

1. A blokart should have a clearly visible race number of 200mm minimum size on the port side of sail above the middle batten.
2. Any modification deemed unsafe by the club safety officer/race officer is to be rectified or removed. Weight cannot be added to the blokart in any way.
3. Safety equipment including closed shoes, helmets and seat belts must be used.
4. Competitors may apply to the Race Organiser with any exceptions

Sailing Rules (IBRA modified)

E.1 A competitor shall compete in compliance with recognized principles of sportsmanship and fair play. A competitor may be penalized under this rule only if it is clearly established that these principles have been violated.

E.2 By participating in a race conducted under the IBRA rules, each competitor agrees:

- to be governed by these rules;
- to accept the penalties imposed and other action taken under the rules;
- with respect to such determination, not to resort to any court or other tribunal not provided for in the rules;

E.3 Each competitor is responsible for his/her own decision to participate or continue to participate in any event.

E.4 When blokarts are on opposite tacks, give way to the right

E.5 E.12 (inside overlap) applies takes precedent over E.4 within 5 metres of the mark

E.6 When blokarts are on the same tack and overlapped, a windward blokart shall keep clear of a leeward blokart. Blokarts are considered overlapped when they are on the same tack and any part of the front wheel of the aft blokart is level with or further forward than any part of the forward blokarts rear wheel.

E.7 When blokarts are on the same tack and not overlapped, a blokart clear behind shall keep clear of a blokart that is clear ahead.

E.8 After a blokart passes head to wind, it shall keep clear of other blokarts until it is on its new proper course. If two blokarts are tacking at the same time, the blokart on the left shall keep clear of the blokart on the right.

E.9 A blokart shall avoid contact with another blokart if reasonably possible. However

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- a right of way blokart need not act to avoid contact until it is clear that the other blokart is not keeping clear;
- a right of way blokart shall not be penalized under this rule unless there is contact that causes damage or injury;

E.10 When a blokart acquires right of way, it shall initially give the other blokart room to keep clear, unless it acquires right of way because of the other's actions

E.11 When a right of way blokart changes course, it shall give the other room to keep clear

E.12 When blokarts are about to pass a mark or obstruction a blokart that has an inside overlap at a zone 5 metres (or other distance as specified by the sailing instructions for venue specific situations) surrounding the mark or obstruction, may hail "room" and pass the mark or obstruction in a sportsman like manner taking no more room that is necessary to pass the mark or obstruction safely. Any blokart overlapped on the outside shall give the inside blokart room to do so. After passing the mark or obstruction this rule ceases to apply, however, the right of way blokart must give the other room to keep clear. When this rule is in effect E4, give way to the right, ceases to apply until such time as both blokarts are outside the 5 metre zone

E.13 When a faster blokart approaches a slower blokart within the 5 metre zone surrounding a mark or obstruction it shall pass only on the outside, if in doing so the blokart establishes an inside overlap for the next mark or obstruction it shall be entitled to room to pass the obstruction as per rule E.12. (the 5 metre zone may be modified by the sailing instructions to suit specific venue requirements)

E.14 The rules for starting a race will be defined by the race committee in the sailing instructions which is given to the race competitors prior to the race or series.

E.15 No sailor shall exit their blokart during a race unless directed to do so or to render assistance to a competitor due to safety.

E.16 Blokarts must be propelled only by the setting and trimming of its sail or by the sailor using their hands against the rear tyres. Sailors must not touch the ground with any part of their body in order to propel their blokart.

Penalty

If a competitor infringes (other than over at the start where they should return to the correct side) then they should complete a 360 degree turn without interfering with any other competitor. If no penalty turn is completed then the sailor may be disqualified by the Race Officer.

Protest (changed from IBRA rules)

If there is a protest then the race officer/s will make a decision based on submissions of each competitor at an appropriate time. No other comments will be taken into account unless asked for.