Drivers Briefing for Practice Day at Shenington, welcome to our club.

All **novices and newcomers to the circuit MUST come to the briefing in the scrutineering building No 1 please, usually at 0845.** Everyone must read this briefing though. It is the driver's responsibility, and PG or nominated signing on guardian in the case of a competitor under the age of 18, to ensure that they understand the rules for the event, and the drivers briefing below and, as always, understand the regulations especially flags. Novices must familiarise themselves with the track layout, the Out and In, before taking to the track. A track map is available on the SKRC website. Please note we are NOT able to offer Bambino on this occasion. Licences are not required for the test day but competence in driving a kart is required and self scrutineering.

You will sign on electronically, and all fees must be paid in advance. You must confirm that you have read and understood the drivers briefing. Licences are not required for our practice days. We recommend you download the Alpha Racehub to your smartphone for all relevant information. **All drivers must collect a wristband at the Sign On Building No 2 before going on track, it will be inspected at grid entry. Note you need a different wristband for the race day. We normally have optional scrutineering on Saturday afternoon, for the race day. During that time the weighbridge will be closed.**

For practice days we shall start at the time shown in the timetable, at 0900 usually, and continue to approximately 1700 hrs or earlier if dark, the timetable is on the digital noticeboard and the website. Don't park in a pitspace that is shown as pre-booked, you can see these on noticeboards, or on the Alpha system where they are available to book.

Gates, Directions, Parking and Catering

The public gate to the main road will be open from 0700 to 0730 in the morning. Arrivals on afternoon/evening beforehand up to 11p.m. are permitted, if a pit space has been booked. Cars not being used to solely support a kart must park in the official parking areas. e.g. mechanics and other helpers. Catering will be available. Do not pit in reserved pit spaces unless they are booked by yourself.

All cars not directly used to work for a kart must park in the car parking field behind B Pits. Do not pit in the large tarmac trade area, or in any pit space booked for the weekend (see the paddock notice boards.) Only our trader teams Msport, Jade, JDR and TWM are permitted in that area. Do not pit in the area in front of the A Pits Toilets or in front of the gate to the Grandstand Field. Do not pit in the area outside of Bruce Hopkins offices or opposite (which is reserved for marshals). Weekend pit space bookings are available via our website. **Always avoid coming through Shenington and Alkerton villages** en route to and from the event, the villagers will be noting number plates and letting us know. Otherwise there will be a fine of a minimum of £100. Do NOT SPEED through the villages. Use the route on our website, on the Documents page. Event Documents | Shenington Kart Racing Club

General Points

The main aim of SKRC is to ensure that the event is run as safely as possible. Please remember that karting is a non-contact sport. In the event of any contact, the official in charge will review any reports and if necessary a sanction will be applied such as missing the next session. Either you will be called on the tannoy or asked to wait in a designated area for the official.

Karts must conform to the current Motorsport UK safety standards and be at least approximately to the class weight. Racesuits must be current CIK homologated (alongside the CIK number on the collar they will have either Level 2 or Level 1 shown – (or in French), or the later FIA standard. Helmets must be current approved Snell standard and not EC22 or ACU motorbike helmets which are not permitted. Children under the age of 15 must use a CMR/CMS helmet. Helmet cameras are never allowed. Cameras can be used during practice days but only if safely secured to the kart. Pit to driver radios are not permitted. Wear gloves and boots that cover the ankles. If in doubt please contact SKRC for clarification. Do not wear scarfs or hoodies whilst driving and tuck any long hair into a hair net or similar out of sight. Karts must have at least two competition numbers showing, preferably all four, if you are not a seeded driver they should be between 11 and 99. It is the driver's (or PG's) responsibility that their kart is safe to use, SKRC take no responsibility for this.

Please remember you **MUST NOT** take matters into your own hands. Any persons found taking matters into their own hands will be dealt with by SKRC appropriately and note that they may be referred to Motorsport UK officials for further action.

Scooters, go-peds, bicycles etc must **NOT** be used at any point whilst the track is in use.
Please note that electric scooters are banned from Shenington and must not be brought to the circuit. If seen in use, a fine of £100 will be levied payable to Shenington Kart Racing Club Ltd.

Spectators are permitted to attend. Any children must be supervised. There is no entrance fee on a practice day.

Do not leave behind any tyres or fuel cans etc. A fine would be levied. Take your rubbish home please.

By countersigning as parents/guardians/guarantors of minors they agree that they have no objection to still or moving images being taken of the driver / volunteer official undertaking their sporting activities and the minor's details as given being kept in a database. The Club Child Safeguarding Officers (CCSO) is Mr. Tom Whitehouse or Mrs Sonja Game.

Announcements will be made by tannoy or via the Alpha Race Hub App.

Track walks are permitted so long as back ten minutes prior to track activity or in time for the briefing. Note that dogs are never allowed on the circuit, but are permitted in the paddock if under control and on a lead or in an enclosed vehicle. Please be responsible and clean up any mess.

Novices and newcomers must familiarise themselves with the track layout, the Out and In, before taking to the track and the flag signals. A track map is available on the SKRC website and in the scrutineering building No 1.

Race with Respect – very important
Shenington totally observes the Race with Respect guidelines and that means **NO SIGNALLING** to drivers from the side of the track please. The other Race with Respect guidelines are appended to the regulations on the website.

Specific Covid-19 related rules
Although COVID-19 rules are greatly relaxed now, if in doubt or have tested for COVID please do not attend. If an official requests wearing of a mask please obey noting that the club will have stocks of masks if necessary.

Engine Starts
If you need to check your engine will start, the only place to do this is beside the Scrutineering Building No 1, for a maximum of 5 seconds, with permission. Otherwise we will not be permitting engine starts other than on the dummy grid preparatory to going out in an session, then it can be started when the chequer flag is displayed. Honda Cadets can start and tickover during the previous session but the kart must be on the ground with the driver seated. No lifting of rear wheels. If you absolutely have to try an engine prior to the following session see the grid marshal or scrutineer regarding a short test start no longer than 5s. SKRC do NOT allow engine starting in the pits / paddock or your awning otherwise there will be fine of £50. No driving of karts in the paddock area

Session Starts
Sessions will be in class order as per the timetable issued with final instructions. Sessions are usually between 7 and 9 minutes duration but depend on the number of classes present and may be shortened. Please ensure you get to the grid with plenty of time, and check in case a session is cancelled and you need to go up earlier than the approximate timetable. Only one mechanic is permitted per kart on the dummy grid. Children are not allowed in the fenced area, pre-grid or dummy grid unless driving in the next session. No smoking or vaping is allowed in these areas. If you are leaving a trolley in the trolley park, you must do so as quickly as possible and return to your kart. Trolleys must not be left on the dummy grid. Park on the marked spaces and absolutely NOT in herring bone fashion. Please ensure that you leave the dummy grid in a safe manner and in order of the grid parking and ONLY when the green flag (or green light) at the gate is raised, and the gate is opened, and not before. If the green flag is lowered or a red light displayed that means the circuit is not safe to enter due to karts coming round, so do not move until the green is displayed again. We are not permitting any pushers or junior incident marshals on the circuit.

During the session
Please note we normally use Light Panels instead of Flags for Signals.
Please ensure you are familiar with all flag signals and observe the digital sign at the start/ finish line each lap. One of the most important flags to observe is the yellow signal, either stationary or waved. You must not overtake from the point of the yellow signal being displayed until after the incident or a green signal if used and must slow and be prepared to stop. We cannot stress this enough. A list of flag signals is available in the Motorsport UK NCRs which is on various websites, a flag sheet is on www.arks.co.uk We now use light panels for official signals in place of flags.

The official in charge may request SLOW BOARDS, displayed at all marshal posts with a waved yellow, which have replaced the black and yellow flag. Form up behind the leader (the first to see the Board and slow down) in single line tight formation at moderate pace (Slow!), no overtaking. If karts pit for repairs, they can only rejoin at the end of the train. At the end Yellow Flags at the last two marshal posts will go stationary and practice may resume after the start line on a Green Signal. See NCR Chapter 18, Appendix 5 Article 1.33. If an incident damages the tyre walls the session may be stopped and depending on the time left may not be re-started.

Remember there may be complete novices in your session, as everyone has to start somewhere, and some may be taking their novice driver ARKS test. Please give them space and overtake safely without crowding them. Novices should display black number plates. Remember practice is not a race, overtake safely and respect the other drivers.

The direct drive (non-gearbox karts) use the first hairpin towards Stratford and the gearbox only use the full circuit. Should a non-gearbox driver overshoot the hairpin you MUST not turn around and come back, you must take the gearbox hairpin and safely and slowly with hand up re-join the session on the other side.

Working on karts trackside is not permitted. If the kart doesn't start by the time of the line across the track, drag it back to the dummy grid and obey official's instructions. You are allowed to come up the "Chicken Run" keep left to the marked boxes, and

repair or adjust at the front of the brown building before re-joining. If the kart enters the collecting area, it cannot return to the track. You would be black-flagged.

In the event of a session stoppage a Red flag will be displayed. You must make your way slowly, with no overtaking, to the exit of Wilkins before the start/finish line, whilst being prepared to stop at any other points or return to the collecting area if instructed by the officials.

Incident Handling

Should you break down or be involved in an incident on circuit you must give the marshal a thumbs up to show that you do not require medical attention. **You must, where possible, move your kart to a place of safety** and follow the marshal's instructions to go to a place of safety. Do not remove your helmet at any time until back in the paddock.

Never lift a kart over a fence, there are possible gate exits behind lap-scoring, at the Wilkins hairpin and just past the direct drive Stratford hairpin for mechanics to access with a trolley. Always obey the marshal instructions. Karts may have to be left until the end of the next session.

During practice sessions misdemeanours will result in sanctions for drivers or entrants, at the discretion of club officials.

Session Finish

A chequered flag will be displayed on the gantry digiflag and/or at the start/finish line. You must slow down and do not overtake and make your way back to Parc Ferme via the "Chicken Run" and keep right at the approach to the scrutineering building No 1 for the entrance to the collecting area. The weighbridge will **NOT** be open for those coming off the track.

There will be marked areas in Parc Ferme. The first driver should use the furthest away and then all drivers following should fill up from the next furthest. A driver may be requested to remain until seen by an official, and if under 18 should request their signed on guardian to remain with them.

Weighing

You will not be able to enter the weighbridge from the trackside entry, only be putting your kart on a trolley and wheeling round down the outside of the scrutineering building No 1. Never drive onto the weighbridge, always push your kart.

If there is anything you are unsure of please feel free to contact SKRC on 01295 688035 or approach the club room Building No2.

General Shenington Rules

All competitors and their team members are forbidden from entering the following areas - Shenington Village (except when using the facilities within the village), lap scoring, the farm equipment area, the noise test area (other than the driver & mechanic), parc ferme (other than the driver and mechanic), the track itself and its surrounds (unless given permission by the Clerk of Course) and the non-spectator areas of the banks at any time. Generators must be switched off between the hours of 2300 and 0700. The use or riding of bikes, scooters, gopeds etc by anyone in the pits is strictly forbidden during all periods during track activity, as is the driving of motor vehicles for which the driver is not authorised under RTA legislation. Electric scooters are not permitted at any time and should not be brought to the venue, penalty for transgression is £100. Cars must be parked in the car park field and not in the pits area. Access to the circuit without permission is prohibited, access for dogs, bikes etc is prohibited at all times. The use of stakes driven into the hard standing in the paddock is forbidden. Stepladders or temporary structures for viewing adjacent to the track perimeter are forbidden. Tyres must not be left at the circuit under any circumstances (minimum penalty £10 per tyre). The penalty for all of the above is up to and including exclusion from the meeting and maybe confiscation of e.g. scooters. Dogs are permitted but must be kept inside a vehicle or on a lead at all times and are not permitted on the track at any time. Commercial teams must have public liability insurance.