500 MRCI

1. The 500 Motor Racing Club of Ireland will organise Interclub permit **short circuit kart races at Kirkistown Circuit on**
   - **Saturday 11th March***
   - **Saturday 22nd July***

   ***These meetings are rounds of the North of Ireland Karting Association Non-Gearbox Championships*.**

2. The meeting will be held under the current General Regulations of Motorsport UK (incorporating the provisions of the International Sporting Code of the FIA), the Karting UK Yearbook 2023, these Supplementary Regulations, the Regulations of the current NIKA Non-Gearbox Championship, and any written instructions that the organising club may issue for the event.

3. Motorsport UK permit numbers 129547,129549 (Bambino Race) and 129458,129459 (Kart Interclub) have been issued.

   Drivers licence grade must be minimum of InterClub.

4. The event is open to all fully elected competition members of 500 MRCI registered in the NI Karting Number Registration. All competitors and drivers must produce a valid Competition License (Motorsport UK license or Motorsport Ireland rule see 25.1.5), accompanied by a valid PG license where required.

   Also, the following documents must be completed and returned to club secretary:
   - Membership completed and paid
   - Entry form (in full) and paid
   - Sign On Declaration completed and returned 5 days before the event
   - Photo (Front and back) of singed competition license(s).

5. These events are rounds of the Northern Ireland Karting Association Championships

6. Track opens on race day at 08:00 (time)
   Scrutineering will take place from 08:30 at the scrutineering bay on race day

7. The programme of the meeting will be:
   Friday evening before race day: Open practice for all classes from 3- 6:30 pm
   Race day: Drivers Briefing: 09:00, Practice: 9:15, First Heat: 10:00 (The organisers have the right to amend these timings on race day)

   All classes except Bambinos will have a rolling Start – formation must be maintained until racing commences with lights off.
   Bambinos will exit Dummy grid and reform grid at start finish line. They will Start under lights off.

8. The event will consist of 3 heats and a final for each class
   Heats will be minimum 8 mins + 1 lap
   Final will be minimum 10 mins +1 lap

   Bambinos
   Timed Qualifying 5 mins
   Heats will be 7mins + 1 lap
   Final will be 9 mins +1 lap

   The track length is 0.706 miles

   The event will consist of Classes as follows:

Bambino, Honda Cadet, IAME Cadet, Rotax cadet, Rotax Inter Max, Rotax Junior Max, Rotax Max & Rotax Max 177.

All vehicles must comply with the current Motorsport UK Technical regulations, the current Karting UK yearbook and the current NIKA non gearbox championship regulations.

9. Starting positions for first heat will be determined by random computerised draw. Subsequent heats will be reversed to ensure all drivers have a start, middle and back starting position during the race day. Bambino heats position will be decided upon timed qualifying. In the result of a tie – fastest lap will be used.

10 Each competitor will have the opportunity to take part in one practice of 5 minutes duration and Bambinos will have one timed qualifying session of approximately 5 minutes duration in addition however these might be combined depending on race schedule.

11. Competitors will be identified by NIKA numbers which will not be provided by the organizers. Number plates must be fitted to front, rear and RIGHT side of the kart.

12. Vehicles in pit areas are under the instructions of Chief Marshal and Chief Paddock Marshal. In the interest of safety, the use of any form of mechanical paddock transport is not sanctioned. Engines may not be started until after the drivers briefing, and then only in the designated area (xxxxxx) and with the driver seated in the kart.

    No bicycles, scooters or ball games are permitted at any time in the pits or circuit while the track is live. Dogs must be kept on a lead at all times.

13. Facts to be judged by judges of fact and driving standards are defined in the General Regulations of Motorsport UK. Timekeepers will be judges of fact for all race position/timing issues. Driving should be fair and not place a fellow competitor in danger. Kart Racing is a non- contact sport.

14. Television coverage is not expected for this race

15 Awards will be presented at the end of the meetings on the ratio of 1 award for every 4 entries to a maximum of sixth place in a class or 1- 3 if at least 6 entries.
To be classified as a finisher, competitors must take the start of the race and complete a minimum of 70% of the race length.

Awards will award trophies based on the results of the final race.

Prize giving will take place no later than 30 mins after the final race of the day.

16. The maximum entry for the meeting including reserves is 120 . The minimum is 25. The maximum for each class is 30. The minimum for each class is 4. Should maximum be reached, entries will be taken in order of submission and receipt. Should any of the above minimum figures not be reached the organisers have the right to either cancel the class/meeting.

17. The entry list opens at least 10 days before the event and closes 2 days before the event - Entries will be selected by receipt of entry via www.rallyscore.net by competition secretary Fay Weir (fay.weir@outlook.com). On receipt of entry a request will be made to email photographs of valid current MS UK license and where necessary, PG license. These must be provided otherwise entry will not be accepted.

18. The entry fee will be confirmed on the entry form but will not exceed £85. for all classes, Transponder hire is available from Richard Dewart @ £20.

    The entry fee may be refunded at the club's discretion if withdraw is advised prior to race day.

If a competitor encounters mechanical problems before race meeting commencement, approximately two thirds of the entry fee may be refunded before the first heat.

Should the event be cancelled for any reason the organizers reserve the right to retain £60 of the entry fee to cover expenses. Cancellation will be advised via NIKA Website and/or Facebook and direct email to all competitors.

19. Entries made after closing will not be accepted. Payment fee must be paid at time of entry via Rallyscore.net. No entries will be accepted on the day of racing

20. Nomination of Drivers – N/A

20. Other Officials are:
Motorsport UK Steward: TBC
Event Stewards:TBC
Event Secretary:Fay Weir
Clerk of Course: Paul Fullerton
Chief Scrutineer: Kevin McEntee
Chief Timekeeper: David Bar (March) /Derek Bradfield (July)

21. Provisional results will be published as soon as possible (within 30 mins) after each race or following the end of the event.
They will be published on My laps.

22. Any Protest must be lodged in accordance with Motorsport UK regulation C5.1. – 5.7

23. *Marking and penalties will be as printed in the appropriate section of current Motorsport UK General Regulations except where amended in Section 2 of the current Non-Gearbox NIKA Championship Regulations.*

24. Judicial – in accordance with Section c of the current Motorsport UK yearbook. All Judicial requirements will be referred to Event Stewards (U21.2). Cameras can be fitted and must be signed on however it is up to the stewards if the footage will be used in judicial purposes. (G10.3)

25. By entering this event all competitors and associates commit to the **Motorsport UK Race 'n' Respect** campaign and agree to positively promote and demonstrate the Racing Code.

26. Use of chassis/engine(s) other than those registered on the scrutineering card will result in a minimum penalty of exclusion from that race.

27. Par Ferme -the parc Ferme area is clearly designated and should be accessed immediately when returning to the Pits after racing. Only the competitor is allowed in Parc Ferme and outside assistance can result in disqualification. In Parc Ferme all competitors must follow all instructions from scrutineers.

28. Accidents resulting in the stopping of the race will require the involved competitors to have the permission of the Clerk of the Course before continuing.

29. Only signed-on officials of the meeting are permitted onto the track during racing.

30. Any abuse, either verbal or physical, directed at an official or another competitor will be dealt with severely. Entrants/drivers are responsible at all times for the actions of their friends, relations and pit crew at the event.

31. On the grounds of safety, kart testing at the conclusion of the meeting will not be permitted.

32. Competitors are reminded of the guidelines provided by Motorsport UK concerning COVID-19.