

QLD Superkart Newsletter

March 2023



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EDITORS WORD

Welcome to the March edition of the QSC newsletter we have another action-packed edition for you. The clubs annual Target Scrutiny Day was held along with the AGM at QR on the 18th of February. Was great to see so many well presented karts on display and the quality is definitely improving year to year. Some new faces on the committee this year which is also fantastic to see, there's a lot of positive energy in the club atm and we have some exciting news with Ultimate Steel Framing coming onboard as the naming rights sponsor for 2023. Ampol have also come onboard as a minor sponsor donating 6 x 100 fuel cards to be given out.

We catch up with Benjamin Jagger and look forward to seeing him hit the track in the first 450 4-Stroke kart in QLD, see below for the full interview. Carrying on from last month we look at another 4 of the club's life members and their contributions over the years. The club thanks all its members for the hard work they put in.

Round 1 is fast approaching on the 25-26th of March at Queensland Raceway and we are set to take on the brand-new layout. Lap records will be set across all classes who will get their name up on the board first get trackside to find out. Ewen Burg has sponsored the media room on the Sunday, get your mates together and come enjoy some Superkart action in air-conditioned comfort!

Doug Amiss (125 National) and Andrew Cain (125 Rotax Heavy) went down to the Bend Motorsport Park as part of the Superkart Classic presented by Australian Superkart Events. Both had a mixed weekend with some lessons learnt but still smiles all round and had great fun representing the QLD club.

Hope you enjoy this months edition and as always if you would like to get involved shoot us an email at qldsuperkart01@gmail.com and find out how easy it is to get involved and enjoy the thrill that Superkarting can provide.

Regards Editor

Timothy Weier

ULTIMATE STEEL FRAMING

The Queensland Superkart club is proud to announce that Ultimate Steel Framing have come onboard as a Title sponsor for 2023, who are Ultimate Steel Framing?

The Ultimate Steel Framing family have been involved with the building industry for over 100 years. We are fourth generation builders who started with joinery works at Sandringham and then moved to our current location on the Gold Coast, Queensland.

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BEN JÄGGER

We catch up with Ben who joins us for the 2023 season, a lot of people are interested to see how the 450 Honda performs against its 2 stroke rivals!

QSC: What do you enjoy about Superkarts?

I'm a big fan of all types of karts, their simplistic design and focus on the essentials. They only have the parts needed to drive, stop and turn. What sets Superkarts apart is the opportunity develop and create. From exhaust systems and motor choices to tinkering with the aerodynamics, there's a real sense of freedom and creativity that comes with working on them. Then there is the event aspect, I've only had the chance to run at Wakefeild and SMSP in a kart. The race meetings have a much bigger feel to them. Then there is also the speed and performance vs dollars spent, many categories claim to have great bang for buck, I'm not sure what they base that on.



QSC: What is your previous racing background?



I first started kart as a junior back in Sydney in the late 90's. My Brother, father and I then ran an old Corolla in club car events (motorkhanas, supersprints etc) before they eventually raced went and raced Improved Production. I had a bit of a break until I started working and could afford to race locally in sprint kart for a few years. I then joined the NSW Super Kart Club in 2013 and raced mainly NGB light with some success, winning the NSW CAMS title outright in 2014. I didn't run as much in 2015 and 2016 as I attempted to get into 125 gearbox, then briefly stock honda. In 2017 I started racing legend cars and was able to compete in

the first AMRS series in 2018 which was fantastic, traveling from Mallala up to Morgan Park and all in between, I finished 3rd which was really satisfying, as a couple of those competitors behind went on to race Super 2, 86s and Aussie cars and were quite competitive in those series. Unfortunately, I couldn't sustain the cost of it to continue. Then ran endurance karts with a good mate before picking up a very long term Superkart project that only very recently runs, which is why I'm here.

BEN JÄGGGER

QSC: What are your goals for 2023?

I'm hoping to run 3 – 4 Superkart meetings this year, I also intend to run some hillclimbs along the east coast.

QSC: If you could drive any Racecar what would it be and why?

Winged and slicks formula car. If it once had a passenger seat was it really intended to be a racecar?

ROUND 1

Round 1 is fast approaching at the end of the month, time to start getting your entries in! The club is trialling the brand new layout option for the first time with 5 x 10 lap races over the weekend. Make sure you're part of this momentous occasion and try and grab yourself a lap record!

Ewen Burg has sponsored the Media room for Sunday so grab your mates and come enjoy some Superkart action in air conditioned comfort!

We are proud to announce a partnership with Ampol who have kindly donated 6 x 100 fuel vouchers to the club.



Round 1 24th - 26th March QLD Raceway	Round 2 19th - 21st May QLD Raceway	Round 3 29th - 30th July Lakeside Park	Round 4 26th - 27th August QLD Raceway	Round 5 9th - 10th September Lakeside Park	Round 6 20th - 22nd October QLD Raceway
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Thanks to our partners:



TARGET SCRUTINY AND AGM

Feb 19th saw the club head out to Queensland Raceway for its annual Target Scrutiny and Annual General Meeting. Running from 8am-12pm saw 20+ karts go through the important process of Target Scrutiny. This helps ensure all karts and members are kept up to date and meet the required safety standards. Once all the karts have been scrutineered with a big thanks to our Scrutineers Brian Wild, Steve Cloake and Tim Weier for their efforts we headed up to the Media room for some Pizza supplied by the club and a fair bit of bench racing before the AGM kicked off at 1pm.



TARGET SCRUTINY AND AGM



TARGET SCRUTINY AND AGM

We would like to welcome your committee for 2023, some new faces join the committee this year with Andrew Cain and Paul Prineas stepping up and taking a more active role in the club. We would like to thank Craig Philp and Bernard Weier for their commitment to the club and many years of service on the committee.

President:	Doug Amiss
Vice President:	Timothy Weier
Treasurer:	Roger Amiss
Secretary:	Russell Jamieson
General Committee:	Paul Prineas
General Committee:	Andrew Cain
General Committee:	Brock Nicholas
General Committee:	Lachlan Crisp



LIFE MEMBERS

MARILYN WEIER

Marilyn came hand in hand with Bernie and initially took on the role of race reporter, standing at the low wall on the main straight, keeping track of the racing and then walking around the pits asking racers why they didn't finish. With the usual response was, something broke, came undone or driver error as well as getting feedback from those who finished.

Jennifer Alexander, along with others was a big help when Marilyn took on the canteen as well and when Jason Smith started racing Carole Smith also helped run the canteen. With their helps and others including Tim once was old enough, Marilyn continued to also do a race reports. The canteen not only supplied the racers with much need fuel but the valuable flag marshals as well. With help from Carole Smith and others, Marilyn had the canteen running at a profit for the club and this helped pay for all the trophies and the end of year Gala which Marilyn would also organise catering for.



ROGER THOMPSON

Roger was another valuable club member taking up the Secretary role in 1990-1991 before stepping up to the President in 1992-93. Roger was always there early to help setup the barriers and flag points before staying late to pack up again and the end of a race day all while racing himself in the 250 National Class.

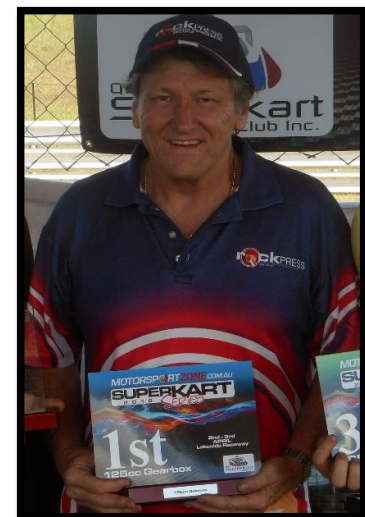
His on-track sportsmanship was just as exemplary often racing wheel to wheel with the likes of Bernie Weier, Dan Alexander, Roger Tapper and others. One year Roger loaned Bernie a barrel for his Yamaha YZ after Bernie smashed his from a big end failure, Bernie would go on to win the championship from Roger that year, this sort of sportsmanship is what the QLD Club is built on.



PHIL SILCOCK

Phil Joined the club in 1989 and has since become an integral part of the Queensland Superkart Club. Taking on the secretary role from 1992-1994 as well as a couple of years as Vice President and 1 year as President. In 1995 he got his CAMS official licence he became one of the club's primary scrutineers eventually upgrading to Silver which he has held to this day (2019) Over the years Phil has put in many many hours checking and signing off karts for members and we are thankful for his contribution to the club.

Phil also put a lot of his time and effort into the committee ranging from Vice-President to General Committee positions over the years, he also served time 2015-2016 on the National Superkart Association (NSA) panel which is involved in maintaining the Technical Regulations that Superkarts use for official competition.



LIFE MEMBERS

ASHLEY ZAHL (DEC)

Where do you start with Ashley! Ashley had a passion for the Queensland Superkart club that is unlikely to be ever seen again. Ashley joined the club in 1995 when his nephew bought an 80cc kart off Chryss Jamieson. Ashley took on the President's role from 2005-2015 which saw the club through many highs and lows. Ashley also had his business Zahl 1 Karting (Z1K) that helped members with all their racing needs at an affordable price, he was always trying to get the best deal to help members with the costs of going racing. He would always come out to the track with a boot load of spare parts as someone would always need some odd ball part to get them back on track and 9 times out of 10 Ash had a box of them handy!

Ash had a one of a kind personality and infectious smile and unique laugh, even if it was his way or the highway he always had the best intentions for the sport at heart. Ash would always be giving you advice on how to go faster (which was usually just drive the thing harder!) as well as what was the latest go fast trick part in Europe or the USA. Ashley's passion for the sport left a huge hole when he passed away in 2018. The Outstanding Club Member Award was re-named in his honour.

If you ever had the chance to chat with Ashley and it was never a short chat! Then you would know how much passion he had for the sport of Superkarting.



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