

## Karting Report

The West of Scotland managed to stage their March meeting just before lockdown. Even then some of the social distancing measures were being practiced with "elbow bumps" rather than handshakes and the drivers' briefing taking place outside. Obviously after that more stringent measures were introduced and everything closed down.

Karting throughout England seems to be starting up this month and karting at WSKC is due to start for club practice from 1<sup>st</sup> July. They have mapped out procedures which hopefully club members will follow. It is anticipated that the first race meeting will follow on 19<sup>th</sup> July.

The ASKC have met via Zoom and certain clubs are trying very hard to put in place a revised calendar for the Scottish championships. The decision, however, has been made to cancel the Super Series (four rounds – one at each club). Currently there is a lot of pressure to save the Main Scottish Championships with clubs being asked to canvas their members. The East of Scotland Kart Club were due to host this year's event but have refused to hold it. WSKC offered to host the event and really opened their doors by removing certain restriction that were in place. There is however still resistance from ESKC and NSKC whist Grampian Kart club and WSKC are in favour. A further Zoom meeting is scheduled for this coming Thursday to try to resolve the matter. Many feel that we have to offer hope for some Scottish National karting this year, but others seem to have written off this year.

Motorsport UK are busy rearranging the National championships and, at the time of writing, 2 of the 3 series have had amended calendars published.

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