



# Monthly Newsletter – September 2024

Welcome to the September 2024 edition of the PKRA Monthly newsletter!  
 Congratulations to all the finishers in the last club race, and a special thanks to all the track workers and staff!

## Latest News:

**Winter Schedule is released! Please see details on final page of newsletter.**

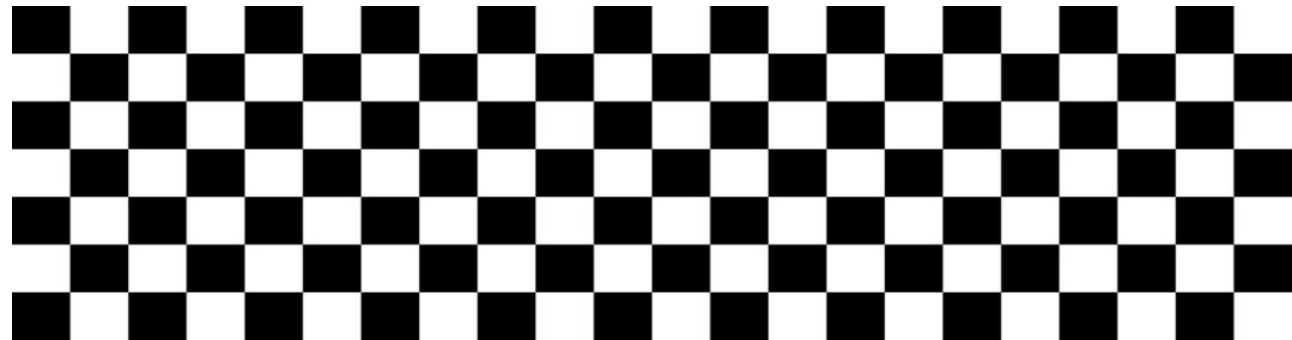
Who else is ready for some cooler weather! Perhaps the storm before the race was the break we finally needed. Temps looking much better for practice next week and \*hopefully\* the rest of the year. Thanks to the whole club for pushing through the worst of it! We made it!

We have tight championship battles in all 206 classes!

Here are the current standings with one race to go:

**Note:** Drop weeks not included

Junior 1	1st	2nd	3rd
Name	Tyson Underwood	Connor Lypka	Gage Grant
Total Points	1161	-51	-140
Junior 2	1st	2nd	3rd
Name	Summer Joy Haley	Gavin Crutcher	Kalani Anaya
Total Points	1230	-5	-130
206 Senior	1st	2nd	3rd
Name	Sophia Rubio	Matthew Ruth	Gunnar Ray
Total Points	1125	-75	-89
206 Masters	1st	2nd	3rd
Name	Rich Alten	Ariel Rubio	Raul Chacon
Total Points	1376	-390	-400



## Race Results:

Summer 2024 Race #7 – September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024 – Full Track CCW:

### Kid Kart Competitors:

DJ Thais, Paxton Starkey, Everly Webster, Marcin Dlugopolski, Maksim Bishop, Everly Murphy

### Junior 2

1<sup>st</sup> – Gavin Crutcher  
 2<sup>nd</sup> – Summer Joy Haley (+.129s)  
 3<sup>rd</sup> – Kalani Anaya (+.717s)

### 206 Masters

1<sup>st</sup> – Rich Alten  
 2<sup>nd</sup> – Ariel Rubio (+.182s)  
 3<sup>rd</sup> – Raul Chacon (+.396s)

### Rotax Junior Max

1<sup>st</sup> – Summer Joy Haley  
 2<sup>nd</sup> – Nicholas Dlugopolski (+7.35)  
 3<sup>rd</sup> – Braylon Underwood (+8.83s)

### Junior 1

1<sup>st</sup> – Gage Grant  
 2<sup>nd</sup> – Tyson Underwood (+.101s)  
 3<sup>rd</sup> – Lucas Tarango (+.262s)

### 206 Senior

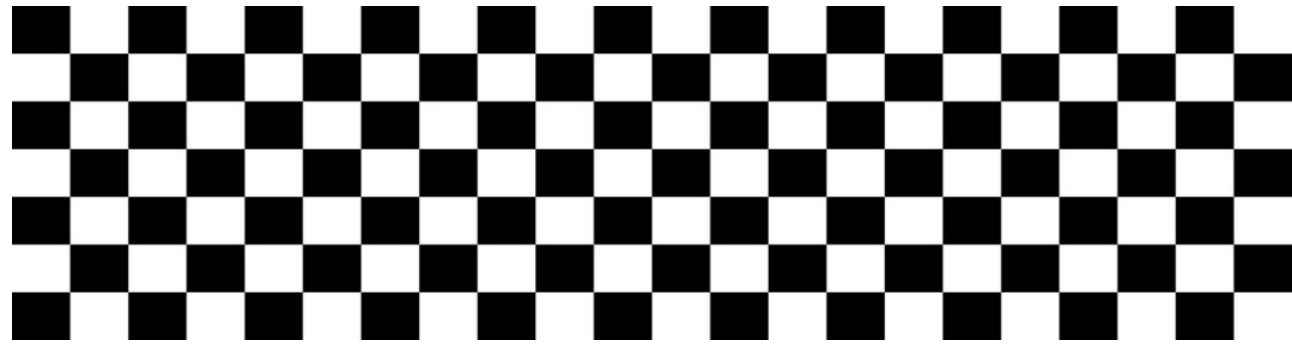
1<sup>st</sup> – Gunnar Ray  
 2<sup>nd</sup> – Sophia Rubio (+.190s)  
 3<sup>rd</sup> – Tyler Manthei (+.462s)

### Rotax Club Max

1<sup>st</sup> – Landon Bily  
 2<sup>nd</sup> – Ethan Classen (+7.14s)  
 3<sup>rd</sup> – Oliver Wolcott (+9.98s)

### Rotax Senior Max

1<sup>st</sup> – Bailey Murphy  
 2<sup>nd</sup> – Sydney Bowers (+7L)  
 3<sup>rd</sup> – N/A (DQ)



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### Member Highlights:

- Congratulations to *all* PKRA members who competed at the Rotax US Trophy Final at NCMP.
- Impressive performance from our very own **Oliver Hodgson** in Senior Max with a wire-to-wire victory in the main!
- In Junior Max, PKRA member **Nixx Eggleston** earned a pole position and a hard fought second place result. Congratulations!
- Congratulations to **Jensen Mechelke** and **Micah Hendricks** for earning top-10 results in their classes at the inaugural SKUSA race at K1 Circuit.

### Special Thanks:

- Thanks to **Brett Randall**, **Ryan Mechelke** and **Junior Mendez** for helping us get the new wash sink delivered & installed.
- Thanks to **Rich Alten** for his continued hard work to improve, clean and maintain the facility.

### Important Notes & Reminders:

- **Tuesday Night is Beginner Night!** If you've competed in a race and don't have an X on your kart, you are no longer a beginner. **Please respect this rule in the interest of safety.**
- Track workers have the right to remove drivers from track if they are too fast on a Tuesday and their decisions are final. Please be respectful of the track workers decisions.
- Please use the new wash sink to wash your greasy hands instead of the bathroom sink.
- Please do not use the water-fountain for anything other than drinking. **This water fountain is for drinking water only.**
- Please note the bathrooms are now air conditioned. Please leave the bathroom door closed unless it's already propped open.
- Please no fueling, changing oil or lubing your kart on the grid! **Members can be assessed fines for major fluid spills on the grid to go towards track resealing and cleanup.**

### Volunteer Opportunities!

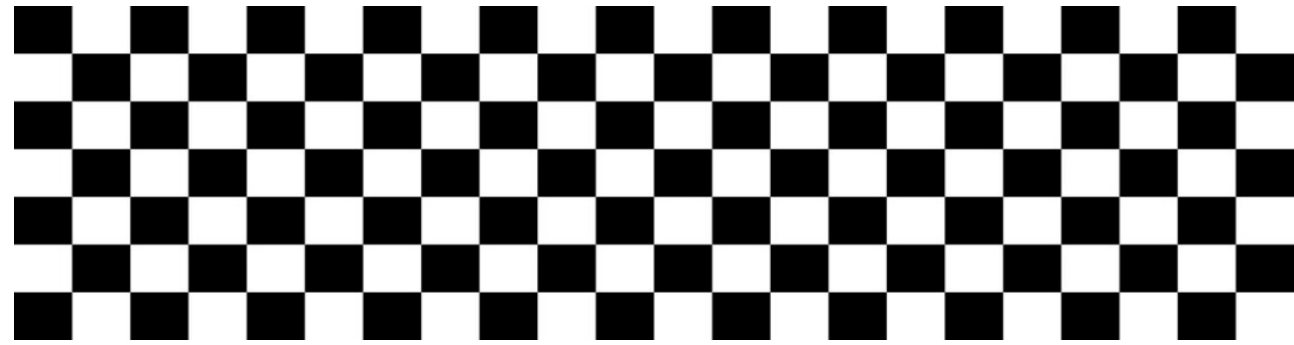
The club needs your help! We rely almost exclusively on support from our volunteers to maintain and improve the track.

Listed below are a few of the tasks we need help with.

If you have any time or resources that can help with track improvements, please reach out! You don't need to be a board member to help make PKRA better.



- Tires and Barriers need to be straightened
  - Help hang safety net
  - Glass repair in scoring tower. Loose in frame
  - Creating shade canopies for race-workers
  - Retying shade canopies over A-Grid
  - **- ANY PROJECT** that you are ready to be the Captain of! Bring your ideas to the board!
- [Directors@pkra.com](mailto:Directors@pkra.com)



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## Next Club Race:

**Season Finale!**  
 Summer Race #8 – September 21st  
 Short Track CW

Gates open at 2:30pm  
 Warm-up starts at 3:45pm

## Next Club Meeting:

Monday, October 14<sup>th</sup> – 7pm

Location: PKRA Office, Glendale AZ

Watch your email for a Zoom link to the meeting for those who can't attend in person.

## Track Records:



Short Track – CW

Race Class	Record Holder	Lap Time	Date
LO206 Junior 1	Keaton Wiegers	45.095	2/4/2024
LO206 Junior 2	Gavin Crutcher	44.230	2/4/2024
LO206 Senior	Gunnar Ray	45.153	2/4/2024
LO206 Masters	Raul Chacon	46.356	2/4/2024
Tag100 – Senior	Mason Turnen	41.168	3/20/2022
Rotax – Mini	Christian Sanguinetti	41.280	2/4/2024
Rotax – Junior	Kyle Drysdale	39.269	2/4/2024
Rotax – Club	Giovanni Santora	39.691	2/4/2024

## Winter 2024 Schedule:

Race Name	Date	Layout
Race 1	Sun, Nov 3rd	Full Track CW
Race 2	Sun, Nov 24th	2 Straights CW
Race 3	Sun, Dec 1st	Short Track CW
Race 4	Sun, Dec 15th	Vintage CCW
AZ State Championship*	Sat/Sun Dec 28/29	Full Track CW & CCW
Race 5**	Sat, Jan 18th	Full Track CCW
Race 6	Sun, Jan 19th	2 Straights CCW
Race 7	Sun, Feb 2nd	Vintage CW
Race 8	Sun, Feb 16th	Full Track CW
Race 9	Sun, March 2nd	Vintage 2 Straights CCW
Race 10	Sun, March 16th	Short Track CCW
Rain Date	Sun, March 23rd	TBD

\* Inaugural 2-day special event. Non-points race. Details to follow.

\*\* Please note Saturday schedule for race number 5. Double header weekend.