



December 2023

## A Christmas message from the Club President Hi Folks.

With the holiday season approaching quickly I would like to take this opportunity to thank all our club members for your support during year. It has been a steady year and we have maintained our growth.

I'd especially like to thank club members for all your involvement in running the Manawatu Open and NI Open. Plus those who run and assist with the Youth Academy and Hire Karts.

Thanks also to Margaret, wives and other members for producing Saturday afternoon tea eats, which are very much enjoyed.

Well done to those who successfully represented themselves and the club at the South Island Open, NZ Open & Hawkes Bay Open. You continue to put us on the Blokart map.

Thankyou to the club committee members, who put in time and effort behind the scenes keeping the club functioning efficiently.

We have long standing committee members wishing to let some of their workload go.

So next AGM we are looking for a new treasurer and new committee members to continue the successful management of the club.

If you could assist and help by joining the club committee and committing to other duties it would be very much appreciated.

Finally to all our club members and other volunteers thanks again for all your support and ongoing commitment to the club.

Well, we are now into our Summer series, enjoy the sailing & friendship. I would like to wish everybody a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Yours in Blokarting John Anderson Club President

#### **Club Constitution Consultation**

### Changes to law regarding Incorporated Societies Register and requirement to review constitutions and re register.

Constitution has been revised using the Ministry of Business, Innovation & Employment template to meet the requirements of the Incorporated Societies Act 2022 so we can re register the club as required by the new law.

The committee's plan is for the Constitution to be adopted at the 2024 AGM.

However first we need to consult with members on the revised constitution. All members will be emailed a link to the revised document and a feedback form to be completed by January 31<sup>st</sup> This will allow us time to incorporate any feedback into the draft before submitting to the AGM.

It is important we retain our incorporated society status so that we can maintain our tax exempt status, apply to charities and local government for funds and retain our lease at Sanson.

Link to Revised Constitution. Link to Feedback form.

### **MBC Events Diary 2004**

- Manawatu Open: Saturday & Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> February
- NZ Open: Labour Weekend or King's Birthday Weekend tbc
- Waiterere Marathon: Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> May 10am setup.
- (Plus additional postponement dates tbc)

Link to Blokart National & International Events Calendar

# World Champs & North American Championships Ivanpah USA 2024 5<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> April

All the best to Scott, Shannon, Steve and Dean as they prepare to represent NZ, and the club, at the pinnical event of Blokarting.

#### **End of Year BBQ**

### Saturday December 16<sup>th</sup> 5pm.

We have 35 coming so far, there is still room for plenty more.

Text Martin on 0221640790 if you plan on coming and haven't already told us.

### Manawatū District Council 10 year plan

Last week Lyn Daly (General Manager – Community) visited us at Sanson along with her team and other officers from the council. They are very supportive of what the club is achieving and how it operates. The have worked with us on a number of projects to improve the facilities at Sanson. At the meeting we were invited to make a submission to the council's 10 year plan particularly with reference to track maintenance and upgrade in the next 6- 10 years. They were impressed that the committee was planning ahead, already making financial provision and involving the council early in the process. Their publicity officer is writing an article on how the club and council have collaborated together for the benefit of the club and the community.

### Sailing over Christmas & New year between 16<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> Jan.

If you decide to go out sailing anytime and would like some company let us know and we can send out a text. No timing system will be available but we're sure that won't stop folk from having some fun with casual racing.

