



Notice of Race

2018 Manawatu Open

Dates: 3rd & 4th February 2018

Venue: Ohakea Air Force Base, Manawatu.

Entry Fee: \$65 Adults \$40 Youth (Under 19 as at 1 Apr 2018)

Entry fee includes lunch on both days.

All participants must be a current member of the NZBAI

Enter at www.manawatublokartclub.co.nz

Pay entry fee to TSB account **15-3977-0010775-00**

Entries close on Wednesday 31st January 2018 at 1700hrs.

*Please note Late Entries **CAN NOT** be accepted as we are required to advise Ohakea names of all people attending the event and the registration plate number of the vehicle they are travelling in. For those using rental vehicles note "RENTAL" in the number plate column on the entry form.*

Entries must be accompanied by the entry fee.

Meals: Please note Lunches on both days are included with your entry.

Additional lunches may be ordered at a cost of \$10 each.

Please email the club at manawatublokartclub@gmail.com with your order.

Payment direct to the clubs account as detailed above under Entry Fee.

Sunday 4th February dinner will be held at the "Rat Hole" Bulls.

Payment direct to the hotel as you order.

Divisions:

- **C Grade** (all weights)*
- **Light weight****
- **Middle weight****
- **Heavy weight****
- **Super Heavy Weight****

* C Grade is for BlokART Sailors with less than one years competitive racing experience.

** Final number of Divisions & Weight division cut-offs will be decided after entries close.
Competitors will be weighed in accordance with IBRA Rule A.5

Race Scoring:

Scoring will be electronic and all competitors are required to have a transponder.

If you need to hire a transponder then put "Hire" in the transponder number column.

Venue:

If Ohakea because of operational requirements withdraw their approval to use the base then this event will revert to the clubs Sanson Track.

Times: Times may be changed during the competition at the discretion of the Race Committee.

Saturday 3rd February.

- 0830- 0900 Entry to airbase and registration
- 0915 Briefing
- 0930 – 1730 Sailing
- 1730 – 1800 Leave Airbase

Sunday 4th February.

- 0830 – 0900 Entry to airbase
- 0915 Briefing
- 0930 – 1700 Sailing
- 1700 Walk the track clean up
- 1730 Leave airbase
- 1830 Dinner and Prize Giving at “Rat Hole” Bulls.

Format and Rules:

- Racing will be in accordance with the IBRA Rule Book Edition 6 (Published September 2017) unless otherwise advised by the PRO at the Race Briefing. The rules can be read on the NZBAI website at <http://www.bai.co.nz/blokart-sailing/rules/>.
- A minimum of three rounds of racing must be completed by each class and division for a series to occur. There will be no maximum number of rounds or races for the series.
- The sailing course and start sequence will be explained at the briefing and may be changed during the day. Competitors will be advised of any changes to the sailing course or start sequence. Competitors must attend each briefing and no competitor may sail on the race track unless they have been briefed.
- Pulley-whip flags will be allocated to each kart and they must be located on the blokart per instructions. Failure to properly display the pulley-whip flag while racing will result in disqualification. Scoring is electronic and all competitors must have a transponder.
- Competitors must wear enclosed footwear and gloves and helmet while the blokart is in motion.
- Race officials will make the decision whether to start a race or not.
- The Principal Race Officer or race officials may shorten or abandon a race after it has started.
- Sails and equipment must not be changed once in the designated pre-start area and blokarts may not leave it until called to the start line. At the discretion of the Principal Race Officer or race officials, sail or equipment changes may be permitted.
- Dial-up will be 2 minutes, and races will run for a minimum of 8 minutes (may be changed at discretion of race committee).
- Race drops: A sailor’s worst race placing will be dropped after the eighth race; the second worst placing dropped after 15 races; and the third worst place dropped after 21 races.
- Protest fee: \$40 Remember the Manawatu Blokart Grin.
- Marshalls may be positioned at course marks. Competitors may be rostered on to assist with marshalling.
- Medals will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd places in each class/division sailed.

Extra Stuff:

- ❖ Wheel weights must be glued or silicone in place.
- ❖ Seat clamps must be taped.
- ❖ You must have a grin on when sailing
- ❖ Clubs Sanson Track is available for sailing on Friday 2nd & Monday 5th February. Track fee \$10.00 per day or part thereof.
- ❖ Instructions for access to the airbase will be advised to competitors closer to the event date.