

## **ADOPTION OF NEW CLUB CONSTITUTION**

### **BY MEMBERSHIP**

At the recent Special General Meeting held on 5 May 2015, the Members unanimously voted for a new Club Constitution. The document, which has been exhibited on the Club Website since February, was adopted without amendment.

The new Constitution was registered with the NSW Department of Fair Trading on 13 May 2015 and is effective from that date. It now contains the main rules and procedures under which the Club will be managed and operated.

The new Club Constitution will be permanently located on the Club Website.

All current Committee Members are to continue in their respective roles but will operate collectively as a Board according to the new Constitution until the next Annual General Meeting where a new Board will be elected by the membership under the new rules and procedures.

As well as creating a Board of 7 Directors each with 2 year appointments, the new Constitution replaces the monthly General Meetings with quarterly Open Board Meetings where all Individual and Life Members are able to attend and observe the proceedings as well as raise any matter of interest or concern with the Board that relates to all the affairs of the Club as well as the Board's operation and management.

The Constitution also provides that Open Board Meetings be held during the first month of each financial quarter being July, October, January and April. At this stage it is intended to hold the first **Open Board Meeting on 28 July 2015**. A Notice will be posted on the Website for this and further meetings at least three weeks prior, together with the meeting Agenda so members are aware in advance of what matters will be discussed.

The Board also wish to advise that in keeping with normal practice, members are able to raise issues of concern with the Board at any time, preferably in writing, to the Club Secretary via e-mail at [secretary@nkrc.com.au](mailto:secretary@nkrc.com.au). All written communications will be formally acknowledged and addressed by the Board with a response provided to the member.

The adoption of a new Constitution is an important and historic step for the Newcastle Kart Racing Club. The modern rules and procedures contained in our new Governing document are vital for the Club to grow and develop as a strong and professional organisation and one that is able to effectively deal with the challenges that lie ahead.

The Board wishes to thank the membership for this vote of confidence and for supporting this important reform.