

New Zealand Blokart Association Inc.



2021 New Zealand Blokart Age Games Notice of Race

Note: This event is no longer associated with the NZ Masters Games organisation

The NZBAI New Zealand Blokart Age Games event is based on competitors' ages, not weights

Dates: 13-14 February 2021

Venue: Manawatu Blokart Club at Sanson and/or Ohakea Air Force Base, Manawatu

Times: Venue and times may be changed during the competition at the discretion of the Race Committee

Friday 12th February – Sanson Track

1300 – 1700 Registration, set up, and practice

Saturday 13th February – Sanson Track

0800 – 0930 Registration and set up

0930 – Briefing, followed by the first race

1730 – No race to start after 1730

Sunday 14th February – Sanson Track

0900 – Briefing, followed by the first race

1530 – No race to start after 1530

Medal ceremony to follow as soon as practicable following completion of racing

Entry:

- Participants must be a current member of the NZBAI, or another IBRA affiliated association
- Entry fee \$65.00 for adults and \$20.00 for youth (under 19 years old at 1 April 2021)
- Enter online at www.bai.nz and pay the entry fee to NZBAI – ASB account 12-3217-0043726-000
- Entries close at 7pm, Wednesday 10th February 2021. Late entries will not be accepted.
- Participants must be at least 12 years of age

Classes/Divisions:

- There will be three classes of racing - Production, Performance, and Cruiser
- There shall be no minimum number of entrants for a class
- It is intended to have approximately 12 entrants in a division, with a minimum of 6
- Age divisions will be determined by dividing the number of entrants by 12

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Medals:

- Medals will be awarded to the first three place-getters in each division within a class, subject to:
 - Where there are 6 or fewer competitors there will be 1 gold medal
 - Where there are 7-8 competitors, there will be 1 gold medal and 1 silver medal
 - Where there are more than 8 competitors, there will be 1 gold medal, 1 silver medal, and 1 bronze medal
 - At the race committee's discretion there will be up to 3 separate additional medals in each class and division for competitors aged under 19 years, and up to 3 separate additional medals for those aged over 75 years

Concurrent Races:

- The race committee may require classes and/or divisions to be sailed concurrently with the results being split out by class and division
- It is preferred that Cruiser-class and Production-class races will not be run concurrently with any other class, but for operational efficiency the race committee may run them concurrently with another class.

Format and Rules:

- Racing will be in accordance with the IBRA Rule Book Edition 7 (Published October 2019, effective from 1st January 2020.). This can be read on the NZ Blokart Association website at www.bai.co.nz/blokart-sailing/rules . The Rules are to be read in conjunction with the Sailing Instructions which notify changes to the Rules. If applicable, other changes will be advised during a briefing.
- The duration of races may be for a set time or for a set number of laps.
- 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, race duration, dial-up instructions, 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 in a briefing.
- Electronic timing may be used by sailors and all blokarts will have a compatible transponder attached on the front of the foot bar at all times during racing.
- Prior to each division or class's first race all karts in that division or class will go over the timing loop when requested to check transponders.
- Race officials will make the decision whether to start a race or not.
- The race officials may shorten or abandon a race after it has started (including abandoning the race after the designated time for the race has passed).
- 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 race officials, sail or equipment changes may be permitted for safety or other reasons.
- 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.
- Provisional results will be posted as quickly as possible after each race and the posting time will be noted on the results sheet. Competitors have 60 minutes after provisional results have been posted to advise a race officer in writing of any observed discrepancy. A Results Discrepancy Advice form will be available.

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- Protest fee: \$10 returned to protester if the protest or redress is upheld.
- Protest panels will be made up of race officers and experienced sailors as needed.
- Competitors may be called upon to do marshalling or race officer duty. A schedule will be advised prior to marshals or race officers being required.

Updated rules for event:

- If sailing is at Ohakea, wheel balancing weights must be glued or siliconed onto the wheel, and seat clamps must be taped in place. Venue specific instructions and safety rules will be covered at briefing
- B.5.7 Race Numbers – IBRA Rule B.5.7 is reworded to the following:
All competitors will be supplied a race number at registration which must be fitted to their pulley whip at all times during racing. Failure to properly display the race number, while racing, in accordance with instructions will result in disqualification.
- C.3 Safety Equipment – IBRA Rule C.3 is reworded to the following:
Competitors must wear helmets, enclosed footwear, and gloves while the blokart is in motion.
- C.6 Briefing – IBRA Rule C.6 is reworded to the following:
Briefing will be held prior to commencement of racing each day and further briefings may be carried out at a central point for all competitors or in the start area with each racing group advised immediately prior to their race. Competitors must attend each briefing and no competitor may sail on the race track unless they have been briefed.

Lunch:

Lunches may be pre-ordered via the NZBAI website prior to 7pm, Wednesday 10th February 2021. The cost is \$10 per day and must be paid to NZBAI the time the order is placed.

Dinner:

There is no formal event dinner. Competitors are encouraged to patronise the Rathole bar / restaurant in Bulls for dinners as the Rathole is a major sponsor of the Manawatu Blokart Club.