

August 2023

Blokart News

 *New Zealand Blokart Association Inc (BAI)*

Main points

- South Island Open
- New Zealand Open
- BAI AGM
- ABC Club Champs
- Worlds
- Worlds Prequalification
- Club Reports
- NZ Team Apparel

Upcoming Events

19, 20 August, ABC Club Champs - all welcome

23, 24 September, BOP Open - all welcome

7, 8 October, SIO, Westport Beaches

12-15 October, NZO, Wigram

23-26 Nov 2023, ABC 90 mile beach trip-all welcome



NZ Blokart Association Inc is the national organisation representing 6 Blokart clubs and their members in:

Christchurch
Nelson
Manawatu
Hawkes Bay
Bay of Plenty
Auckland



South Island Open 2023 Carters Beach on the West Coast October 7th and 8th

Carters Beach is located 5km's south-west of Westport. The beach is 9km long and at low tide there can be up 150



metres of hard sailing surface between the water and high tide mark. Additionally, the beach has

a slight crescent shape that gives opportunities for different courses.

We encourage participants to book and stay at the Top 10 Holiday Park. The best vehicular access to the beach is directly opposite the holiday park.

[Notice of Race](#)
[Entry Form](#)

BAI AGM

The AGM will be held on Tuesday the 15th August 2023 via Zoom online 7pm. To join the Zoom Meeting find the Zoom link [here](#)

New Zealand Open 2023 Wigram Air Museum, Christchurch October 12th—15th.

The track at Wigram is well suited to most wind directions and speeds – October should see some better breezes and fast racing down the taxiway where most races are won or lost. Regrettably the large apron area directly in front of the hangers has been reduced. This withstanding, the Wigram track offers plenty of sailing space requiring a tactical approach making for a competitive event.



[Notice of Race](#)
[Entry Form](#)

ABC Club Champs - all welcome

Ardmore
August 18th, 19th
[Notice of Race](#)
[Entry Form](#)



2024 Blokart World Championships

Will be hosted by the North American Blokart Sailing Association (NABSA) and the International Blokart Racing Association (IBRA) on Ivanpah Dry Lake, Primm, Nevada, USA in April 2024.

Many of you will have already sailed at Ivanpah so the quality of the lake as a race venue needs no introduction. For anyone who has not sailed there before, it is a 'bucket list location' and really worth the trip!

Blokart International are making available a limited number of rental karts at the 2024 World Championships. The Karts will be brand new rolling chassis, excluding sails and mast, and will include composite 50psi rear wheels with Blokart tubeless tyres. Cost to rent a rolling chassis only will be \$400. To reserve your kart, please contact ash@blokart.com

Key dates for the event are;

Track available for practice: 2-5 April

NABSA Racing: 6-7 April

Worlds Racing: 9-12 April

[Notice of Race](#)

[Entry Form](#)

Club Roundup

BBC - Had a successful restaurant lunch in June with 15 members and partners. July race day was abandoned due to rain and extreme cold for the elderly and bewildered. Wind was great though.

CBC- The Brass Monkey event was held in the first weekend of July and was a great success with a good southwesterly wind. Apart from this, weekends have been damp and cold with not much wind. Things are processing well with the planning for the SIO/NZO.

MBC- Sailing continues on Wed. & Sat. with good numbers. Membership is still growing & Youth academy now starting to move into Saturday sailings in the Cruiser division.

Blokart Worlds Prequalification

Following feedback from the last Blokart World Champs in NZ, it has been decided by IBRA to include a prequalification standard for those entering next year's Blokart World Championships in Ivanpah. Each Association is responsible for deciding which of their members are qualified to attend the Worlds. NZBAI has decided that the standard needed for our members will be;

1. To have demonstrated blokart racing skills and experience, including at a National Championship level or equivalent.
2. To possess a thorough knowledge and practical understanding of the IBRA rules.

Each NZ entry will be reviewed by the NZBAI against this standard before entry is confirmed. Any exceptions to the above criteria will be considered on case-by-case basis.

If you are unsure whether you meet the qualifying standard for the World's please check with your local club before entering.

ABC - Winter racing is continuing at Ardmore. We had great conditions and a good turnout last Sunday. There have also been some beach outings in the last month. We held our AGM last week and there were only minor changes made to our committee. We have reduced our subs by 30% as we have a healthy bank balance and our costs are now lower than in previous years.

BHB - Winds have been up and down (more down) for Sunday racing. Either too little wind or pouring with rain but 15 turned up last Sunday. We're still getting a number of Have a go's on Saturdays.

NZ Team Apparel

We expect that there will NZ blokarters attending next years Blokart World Championships who have not had a chance to buy NZ Team apparel – jackets, race shirts and dress shirts.

Please note that there are limited items still available via the shop on the NZBAI website:

[Shop | New Zealand Blokart Association \(bai.nz\)](http://Shop | New Zealand Blokart Association (bai.nz))

We may get some new Jackets and Race Shirts made if there is sufficient demand.

If you would like to be put on a pre-order list for an item please send an email to apparel@bai.nz

NZ Team Jackets

We have no existing stock, but we could get new jackets made if there is sufficient demand. Cost previously was around \$100.



160mm Back

Front right pocket
80mm length



STIRLING JACKET MENS	S	M	L	XL	XXL	3XL	5XL
I/2 CHEST MEASUREMENT CM	56	59.5	63	66.5	70	73.5	77
HIGH POINT SHOULDER TO HEM	69	71	73	75	77	79	80

STIRLING JACKET LADIES	8-10	12-14	16-18	20-22	24-26
I/2 CHEST MEASUREMENT CM	49	53	59	63.5	68
HIGH POINT SHOULDER TO HEM CM	59	63	69	70	71

NZBAI Race Shirts

We have limited shirts in stock

(size XXS, XS and XL only)

Please order from the NZBAI shop:

NZBAI Racing Shirt | New Zealand Blokart Association

More will be ordered if there is sufficient demand.



Unisex Adult	Applies to T-shirts, singlets and Polo Shirts (in cm):								
Size Label	2XS	XS	S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL	4XL
Fit Chest	86	91.5	96.5	101.5	106.5	111.5	117	122	127
Shirts CHEST Measurement	91.5	96.5	101.5	106.5	112	117	122	127	132
Body Length	66	68.5	71	73.5	76	79	81	84	86



NZBAI Dress Shirts

We have limited shirts in stock (Men's size M and L only)

Please order from the NZBAI shop:

<https://bai.nz/purchase/nzbai-dress-shirt/>

Unfortunately this was a one-off run, and we will be unable to source further shirts once the stock is gone