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2020 INFORMATIONAL SHEET*

PLEASE NOTE: This is a "WEEKLY" Championship Program, NOT a "TOURING" Series.

CLASSES:

- **AMATEUR/ROOKIE (FLAT OR CAGE):**

Ages: 5-7 years or 8 year olds with no experience (very 1st year in racing)

Weight: No minimum weight

Restrictor: ARC .375, Red

Point Fund: 1. \$300 2. \$150 3. \$140 4. \$130 5. \$125 6. \$120 7. \$115 8. \$110 9. \$105 10. \$100

- **JR 1 (FLAT OR CAGE):**

Ages: 8-11 years

Weight: Flat is minimum of 265 lbs; Cage is minimum of 310 lbs.

Restrictor: ARC .425, Green

Point Fund: 1. \$400 2. \$200 3. \$175 4. \$150 5. \$140 6. \$130 7. \$120 8. \$115 9. \$110 10. \$100

- **JR 2 (FLAT OR CAGE):**

Ages: 12-15

Weight: Flat is minimum of 320 lbs; Cage is minimum of 350 lbs.

Restrictor: ARC .500, Purple

Point Fund: 1. \$500 2. \$300 3. \$200 4. \$175 5. \$150 6. \$145 7. \$140 8. \$135 9. \$130 10. \$125

- **ADULT (FLAT):**

Ages: 16+

Weight: minimum of 370 lbs.

Restrictor: No Restrictor

Point Fund: 1. \$1,000 2. \$500 3. \$350 4. \$300 5. \$275 6. \$250 7. \$225 8. \$210 9. \$205 10. \$200

- **ADULT (CAGE) - 2021:**

Ages: 16+

Weight: minimum of 400 lbs.

Restrictor: No Restrictor

Points Fund: 1. \$1,500 2. \$750 3. \$500 4. \$375 5. \$300 6. \$275 7. \$250 8. \$225 9. \$210 10. \$200

Participating Speedways:

- The following speedways will hold RUSH Karting Series weekly-sanctioned events for 2020: Blanket Hill Speedway (Kittanning, PA), Lockhart Motorsports Park (Seneca, PA), Pittsfield Championship Karting Association (Pittsfield, PA), Shaffer Speedway (Aliquippa, PA), and Stateline Speedway Karts (Busti, NY).
- Please verify with each individual speedway as to classes and schedule of events.

Membership:

- Membership is mandatory and is \$75 to become a Weekly Series Member. Drivers have through June 30 to join and maintain accumulated points. From July 1 on, new competitors have two events to become a member. After this time, no points will be retroactive and membership will be mandatory to participate.
- RUSH reserves the right to decline a membership or revoke a membership at any time.

“Weekly Series Championship”:

- Must be a member to be eligible for points and point fund monies.
- Drivers can compete at any RUSH-sanctioned event and accumulate points. Drivers' best 6 point scores will be utilized.
- For 2020, there will be one point fund for each class no matter if it's flat or cage.

Point System:

- The following system will be utilized: 1. 100 2. 98 3. 96 4. 94 5. 92 6. 90 7. 89 8. 88 9. 87 10. 86 11. 85 12. 84 13. 83 14. 82 15. 81 16. 80 17. 79 18. 78 19. 77 20. 76 21. 75 22. 74 23. 73 24. 72 25 & any other starter 71. Drivers attempting to race, but not starting the feature will receive 70 show-up points.
- Note: At each event drivers will receive a kart count bonus of 6 points provided there are 6 or more karts signed in. If there are less than 6 karts, the kart count bonus will be based on number of competing karts signed in.
- *Postponed feature events will revert back to the weekend they were initially scheduled for with the exception of an event that has been pushed to the following year.*

Awards Banquet/Point Funds/Tie-Breakers:

- A RUSH Racing Series Awards Banquet will be held at the conclusion of the season (date to be announced). Drivers/Car Owners are expected to attend or have a pre-determined representative to accept awards. Unclaimed payoffs and awards will be mailed at a later date.
- *In the event of a tie for any of the above championships, tiebreaker will be determined by the driver with the most wins (high point scores) followed by most second place finishes, etc. until the tie is broken. If a tie happens in any other position, the tie will remain with point fund monies added up between the tied positions and split equally.*

Manufactures Night:

- Random drawing of prizes for all competing racers on a night(s) and location(s) TBA.
- Must be a member to be eligible for Manufacturers Night awards.
- These are popular nights in our big car divisions that have grown to between \$12,000-\$30,000 of valuable and useful product giveaways.

Member Driver Insurance Benefits:

- Membership gives a flat kart participant member racer \$25,000 excess participant accident insurance, and a cage kart participant member \$100,000 of excess participant accident insurance. [Policy period is 1/1/20-1/1/21](#); however, coverage does not begin until membership is completed and paid. RUSH insurance benefits will cover the member driver after the tracks participant accident limit and driver's individual health insurance benefits are exhausted, but only at RUSH-sanctioned events.

Rules Package & Technical Support:

- A proven rules package, along with strong technical support from RUSH. RUSH Tech Officials are equipped with the knowledge, technical tools and equipment that are needed to enforce and implement a strong consistent rules package that is critical to a successful Kart racing series. Rules available on the RUSH Karting website under Rules (www.rushkarting.com)
- A 24-hour technical hotline to assist in resolving any technical issues.
- Series Technical Official "unannounced " visits
- Offseason Technical Seminars for Speedway Officials to help educate and assist speedways and competitors to fully understand and be able to properly interpret and implement RUSH technical rules package.
- RUSH and Hoosier Tire distributors will work together to ensure that the required Hoosier tires are sold throughout the region at the same price to each racer, with no "special" tire deals available.

Administrative Assistance:

- A full-time, year-round office staffed with experienced personal to assist drivers and sanctioned speedways.
- A professional website that all regional speedways and competitors can utilize for up-to-date information; i.e. rules, points, memberships, etc.
- A full-time public relations person to assist tracks and their competitors in receiving national, regional, and local exposure. Press releases periodically highlighting all RUSH-sanctioned speedway's results and upcoming events.
- Sanctioned speedways and drivers promoted via all social media outlets, i.e. Facebook, Twitter, etc.
- The RUSH Series and its drivers via individual stories annually receive a tremendous amount of exposure in some of the country's most renowned racing publications.

Question: What and who is RUSH?

Answer: Vicki Emig and Mike Leone, RUSH Directors, have been developing crate engine racing for over 13 years throughout the Northeast, Mid-Atlantic and Canada. The Series has grown from GM Performance crate engine Late Models in 2007 to include Sportsman Modifieds (GM 602s in 2014), Pro Mods (GM 604s and 602s in 2016, RUSH Asphalt Series that includes four different divisions (2017), and finally the non-winged Sprint Car division (2018). Emig and Leone also owned and operated Mercer Raceway Park for more than 11 years.

Question: What does RUSH offer?

Answer: RUSH offers a proven technical package, promotion, and valuable point funds for its tracks and racers. RUSH has a tech team that will show up unannounced at events throughout the season. RUSH has a year-round office to assist answering questions from drivers and speedways. RUSH has several writers as part of its promotional team. RUSH pays out more than a quarter of a million dollars in cash and contingencies annually to drivers in its big car divisions, and has posted a \$8,500 in championship point funds for the RUSH Karting Series in its inaugural season.

Question: Where can I find a rulebook for the RUSH Karting Series?

Answer: The complete rulebook is available on our website under Rules at www.rushkarting.com.

Question: Why RUSH Karting?

Answer: The RUSH Series has successfully integrated a cost-containment concept in five big car divisions on dirt and four on asphalt. This same concept will be utilized in the world of Karting with a RUSH Kart sealed engine, spec Hoosier Tires with no tire treating, and spec RUSH 91 fuel. Promotion, point funds, and Manufacturers Nights will also be part of the program. RUSH Karting will prove to be a successful training ground for racers that wish to move up into the various RUSH big car divisions.

Question: Do I have to be a member of RUSH to compete?

Answer: Yes. Membership is \$75 and allows driver to be eligible for point fund(s) and also includes a \$100,000 excess medical benefit policy at RUSH-sanctioned events for cage karts and a \$25,000 amount for flat karts, which is in excess to driver's personal health insurance and track's participant accident policy.

ENGINES/TIRES/FUEL:

Question: Where do I purchase the sealed RUSH Kart engine and what is the cost?

Answer: The base engine part #BASEKART-RUSH (212 cc) can be purchased at Precise Racing Products in Sarver, PA (724-360-8000) or at authorized distributors. The engine includes three official RUSH Kart wire cable seals; installed and record for engine tracking. The cost is \$425. The base engine with the finish kit is \$635.

Question: Beings my motor is sealed by RUSH, does this mean I'm exempt from any technical inspections at the track I race at?

Answer: No. You will be subjected to the same technical procedures as all of big car divisions, which can be unannounced visits by Series technical directors.

IMPORTANT TO NOTE: ANY VIOLATIONS FOUND CONCERNING ANY TAMPERING WITH THE RUSH KART SEALS IS SUBJECT TO IMMEDIATE PENALTY AND/OR UP TO 180-DAY SUSPENSION FROM ANY RUSH-SANCTIONED EVENT OR TRACK. MULTIPLE INFRACTIONS MAY RESULT IN AN INDEFINATE SUSPENSION

AS A DRIVER, YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR YOUR EQUIPMENT. THE DRIVER & OWNER WILL BE SUSPENDED. BE SURE TO KNOW YOUR EQUIPMENT BEFORE YOU RACE IT.

Question: What Hoosier Tires will be required, and where do I purchase them at?

Answer: Hoosier has designed a spec slick tire that is consistent with the rubber compound used by our RUSH Late Models throughout the region. The required Hoosier Tires will be available throughout the region at all Hoosier Tire Distributors. The list of distributors will be posted on our website under the Engines/Tires link (currently under construction). Tires will be the same price for all racers with no special tire "deals" available.

Question: Can I run any fuel in my car?

Answer: NO. Only RUSH 91 pump gas is legal for competition. Additives and/or blending of any type including; methanol, alcohol, nitrous oxide, propylene oxide, nitromethane or other performance enhancing chemical additives will not be permitted. Fuel may be tested from time-to-time and/or submitted for verification by designated RUSH Racing Series and/or Track Officials to Sunoco Race Fuels. **It is the racer's responsibility to know what he or she is putting in the fuel cell.**

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