



# Inside Line

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## 2007 Season Opener at Moran Raceway

It was an interesting opening day at Moran on Sunday, February 25th. 68-drivers patiently waited through long lines at Registration and Pre-Tech as SDKA began a new era using the AMB Transponder System for timing/scoring. With the new wrinkles and details, the changes presented more than a few challenges. Practice got started a little late, limited to one session; but once Qualifying began, the race day proceeded along nicely with only one red flag incident causing a short delay. Due to the slow start and limited daylight, only one Heat and Main were run in each class. As daylight increases, a second Heat will be added to the day.

### Results:

#### Go-Karting Kids Karts

- 1 - Willy Axton
- 2 - Sebastian Elizon
- 3 - Ryan Cansdale
- 4 - Seth Frankenberg
- 5 - Dylan Iskander
- 6 - Hannah Grisham
- DQ Dustin Brown
- DQ Matt Million

#### Junior I

- 1 - Matt Rusich
- 2 - Carlee Taylor
- 3 - Chaz Herrera
- 4 - Brooke Kawell
- 5 - Thomas Brown
- 6 - Isabella Busalacchi
- 7 - Julie Parsons
- DNF Andrew Wiener

#### HPV I Cadet

- 1 - Robert Dees
- 2 - Carlee Taylor
- DNF Matt Rusich

#### HPV 2 Junior

- 1 - Eric Reschke
- 2 - Joey Alves
- 3 - Alex Bender
- 4 - Cole Dick
- DNF Tyler Vance
- DNF Keith Dees
- DQ Shogo Takada

#### Burris Formula Y/C

- 1 - Nick Launder
- 2 - Kirk Girdwood
- 3 - Geary Launder
- 4 - Joseph Krafft
- 5 - Jim Abbott

#### Go-Karting TaG-USA Senior

- 1 - Jacob Engle
- 2 - Jack Kirkpatrick
- 3 - Russ Jordan
- 4 - Doug Ring
- 5 - Conor Haley
- 6 - Tim Kuchenbeck
- 7 - Mark Uyeda
- 8 - Robert Switzler
- 9 - Scott Rogers
- 10 - Richard Griffin
- 11 - Don Howard
- DNF Jeff Shadoan
- DNF Luis Cervantes

#### Full Throttle Karting

##### TaG-USA Heavy

- 1 - Chris Ledyard
- 2 - Ben Lukosky
- 3 - Eric Frankenberg
- 4 - Kurt Chapin
- 5 - Steve Roy
- 6 - Steve Wiener
- 7 - Dave Lewis
- 8 - Phil Roy

- 9 - Greg Kimmel
- 10 - Scott Cochran
- 11 - Bob Brown
- 12 - Chris Schragner
- 13 - William Pepper
- DNF Jared Booher

#### 80cc Shifter

- 1 - Mike Nadeau

#### Lap Tech Stock 125cc Shifter

- 1 - Jonathan Wright
- 2 - Jason Robinson
- 3 - Tyler Roth
- 4 - Tom Levenberg
- 5 - Bill Cox

#### Go-Karting Open 125cc Shifter

- 1 - John Chott
- 2 - Darek Lewis
- 3 - Troy Butts

#### TaG-USA Junior

- 1 - Bayan Salehi

#### HPV4

- 1 - Nick Gaspar

Weather proved to be a challenge for all: clear and sunny but cool in the morning; low clouds with a cold, gusty wind all afternoon. Many eyes in the pits were on the skies, wondering if rain would come. But the skies held the moisture and all the heat and main event laps were completed as hoped.

It was a good turnout for the first race of the 2007 season. With IKF Region 7 enjoying an off weekend, several of the series drivers joined SDKA for the day as a warm-up for the Primm, Nevada event March 3-4.

With a slate of new-to-SDKA Race Officials, we'll get better each event to deliver a great club racing experience to the drivers, teams and families.

Round Two is next up March 10th at the Qualcomm West Course.



SDKA President Mike Nadeau Introduces Terry Adams - Race Director



Robert Clift - Grid Boss



(l to r) Tim Campbell - Starter, (l to r) Robyn Clift - Scales, and Sandy Carlson - Registration

### 2007 SDKA Race Officials

Race Director - Terry Adams

Starter - Tim Campbell

Grid Boss - Robert Clift

Tech - Mark Zartarian

Scoring - Cherrie Launder

Scales - Robyn Clift

Registration - Sandy Carlson

EMT - Joe Koch

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### SDKA Membership:

It's time to renew memberships. Download the Membership Application on the web page. If you want your points to count, you must be a member **before** 51% of the season is over. Don't miss out!

## February Meeting Highlights

The February 14th meeting began at 6:45pm under the guidance of Greg Marcum—2007 SDKA Vice President. All Race Officials positions are filled except for 3-5 Corner Workers still needed for the Qualcomm events. The Stadium made some **scheduling changes**; we were bumped from May 20th but could get May 27th . . . the day before Memorial Day. The Board chose to move the event to Apex in Perris on May 20th. We try to avoid major holidays

that impact families. The purchase of the **AMB scoring/timing system** and individual transponders for club members has depleted our once-flush reserves, as anticipated. No update on the search for an enclosed **storage trailer**. We're still shopping for the right one. **On-Line Registration** is something the Board wants to consider, if the numbers and income continue to grow in 2007. More to follow. **Burris Tire Program:** So that

we keep good records of drivers competing for the Burris year-end awards, Tech will:

- Mark each karts tires after Qualifying;
- Verify marked tires are still used after the Heats and Mains;
- Record on the weight sheets those using Burris tires for Scoring Records.

Members wanting to keep the same **rented transponder** number for the season may pay for the full season in advance.

### General / Board Meetings:

- 2nd **Wednesday** of each month
- Coco's Restaurant  
5955 Balboa Avenue
- 6:30pm

Members - Do you want to keep the same rented transponder number for the 2007 Season? You'll have on-line access to all SDKA race results...your personal results...at [www.MyLaps.com](http://www.MyLaps.com).

Pay \$90 in advance for the 12-Race Season (a \$30 discount), and you'll have the same transponder number at each event.

## 2007 Racing Schedule

- |                     |  |   |                              |
|---------------------|--|---|------------------------------|
| 1. February 25      | Moran Raceway                                | 8. July 29  | Qualcomm Southeast           |
| 2. March 10         | Qualcomm West (Sat.)<br>Clockwise            | 9. August 18  | Apex (Saturday - night race) |
| 3. April 7          | Qualcomm West (Sat.)<br>Counterclockwise     | 10. September 30  | Moran Raceway                |
| ➔ April 27          | Open Practice (Friday)<br>Qualcomm Southeast | 11. October   | TBD                          |
| 4. April 28         | Qualcomm Southeast (Sat.)                    | 12. November  | TBD                          |
| 5. <b>May 20***</b> | <b>Apex</b>                                  | ***May 20th changed to Apex   |                              |
| 6. June 9           | Apex (Saturday - day race)                   | August thru November dates at Qualcomm will be determined at the June Stadium Scheduling meeting. |                              |
| 7. July 8           | Qualcomm Southeast                           |   |                              |

Need seat time?

**Moran Raceway** in Beaumont  
[www.moranraceway.com](http://www.moranraceway.com)

**Apex Raceway** in Perris  
[www.apexracing.com](http://www.apexracing.com)

Check their websites for available dates and times.

*Did you know?  
SDKA does not race  
in the rain.*

## 2007 Class Sponsors

Each sponsor has committed to a \$250 cash contribution to SDKA .

If you know someone interested in becoming a class sponsor, give the contact information to Jeff Shadoan.

Thank you to the following who have stepped up to help SDKA by sponsoring these classes.

### Go-Karting Kids Karts

- Junior I
- HPV I Cadet
- HPV 2 Junior

### Burris Formula Y/C

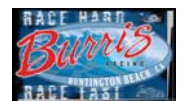
### Go-Karting TaG-USA Senior

### Full Throttle Karting TaG-USA Heavy

80cc Shifter

**Lap Tech** Stock 125cc Shifter

**Go-Karting** Open 125cc Shifter



**Interested in becoming a Class Sponsor?  
Contact Jeff Shadoan at 619-916-8076  
or [www.kartracer66@cox.net](mailto:www.kartracer66@cox.net)**

## 2007 SDKA Championship Classes

1. **Go-Karting** Kids Karts
  2. Junior I
  3. HPV I Cadet
  4. HPV 2 Junior
  5. **Burriss** Formula Y/C
  6. **Go-Karting** TaG-USA Senior
  7. **Full Throttle Karting** TaG-USA Heavy
  8. 80cc Shifter
  9. **Lap Tech** Stock 125cc Shifter
  10. **Go-Karting** Open 125cc Shifter
- The *By-Laws & Policies*, Section 100.2, provides details for each class.

### Race Day Schedule:

7am - Registration Opens & Pre-Tech  
 8am - Track Set-Up (Qualcomm)  
 8:45am - Driver's Meeting  
 9am - Motor Start & Practice

**Qualifying Begins ± 11am**  
 Heats One & Two  
 Lunch Break for Officials  
 Mains

### Usual Practice Order:

1. Kids Karts
2. Junior Classes
3. Senior Pipes
4. TaG
5. Shifters

### Qualifying & Race Order:

- Kids Karts are Always 1st Up.
- Classes Rotate so the Order Changes each Race Day.

## Cole Dick ~ HPV 2 ~ 2006 Champion

Cole began kart racing in 2004; competing in the HPV 1 Cadet Class. That rookie year there were not enough drivers to qualify the class for year-end awards; but Cole finished 1st place in points. In 2005 he moved up to HPV 2 Junior; placing 2nd by year-end. Cole's introduction to karting was through the driving school at Amago.

An 11-year old 5th grader at Hanson Elementary in Ramona, his favorite subject is science. Cole was born and only lived in Ramona. However, he would like to live in Bristol, Tennessee near the track and NASCAR action.

One day Cole wants to race in NASCAR, Indy Car, and the Baja 1000; Jim, get those sponsors lined up! His favorite NASCAR driver is Dale Earnhart, Jr.

Cole's best memory of the 2006 season was the win at Apex in the night race; he actually likes racing at night!

Cole's Pit Cheering Squad includes: Jim (chassis tuner, coach, financier and Dad); his Mom, Kim (who is also on the SDKA Board in 2007); brother Tyler; and, Grandpa Hal (Jim's Dad)...the Motor Building Genius of the team. One look at their pit setup on race day, and you wonder if

they have their own zip code with the Postal Service.

Going to the "River" and desert to drive his quad are Cole's only other hobbies.

Little Known Fact: "Big Cole" is his nickname at school.

Fortunately, Cole built up a good points lead going into the last of 2006. He broke his collar bone playing kickball. The doctor said, "No" when asked if Cole could still drive his kart. Go figure! Cole plans a back-to-back championship win in HPV2 in 2007.

*"One day, I want to race in NASCAR, Indy Car, and the Baja 1000 ."*



## Nick Gaspar Jr. Super Sportsman ~ 2006 Champion

Nick is a 16-year old Junior at Grossmont High School where he has played football and baseball. He was born and always lived in San Diego. After high school, where his favorite subjects are math and chemistry, Nick wants to go to college. His professional goal is to become a Fireman or Police Officer. "I want to do something interesting with my life; not sit at a desk."

Nick was introduced to karting by Scott Lewis; 5-years ago. Some of you may remember Scott; a long-time member and driver with

SDKA. Nick got a lot of seat time at Amago before it closed; followed with the decision to begin competing.

Nick will move up to the senior ranks in 2007; driving in the HPV4 class. He's hoping enough drivers will participate to make it a championship class in 2007.

Nick's Dad, a mechanic for the Sheriff's Department, is his mentor, mechanic, coach, and sponsor. Without his Dad, Nick says he wouldn't have had the successes of 2007.

Nick's most vivid memory of 2007

was his first crash...a doozy on the long West Course at Qualcomm. "It ended my day."

Little known facts about Nick: "Gaspy" is his nickname at school; he used to play drums in the band SLTR.

Expect to see a lot of Nick leading the pack in the HPV4 class. He's a focused, well schooled driver who will challenge the other senior drivers in his class.

*"I want to keep racing Karts; maybe big cars one day."*



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## Brent Adams Sr. Super Sportsman ~ 2006 Champion

Brent has been around car racing his whole life...even before he was born. His Dad, Terry Adams, raced Street Stocks at Cajon Speedway. His Mom went into labor with Brent one evening while Bill was racing at Saugus Raceway in Santa Clarita. Brent grew up in Spring Valley; moved to Yuma, Arizona, for a brief time; but came home. He and Maria, his wife, have a 4-year old son Dominic; Arabella, their 3-year old daughter; and one more due in April. Brent is a fulltime shop mechanic

for the Borneman Motorsports team; 2nd behind the Crew Chief, an over-the-wall front wheel changer when the team competes in the NASCAR West Series. With a plate filled by family, work and kart racing, Brent has no time available for other hobbies. He'd like to one day get behind the wheel of a NASCAR Nextel Cup Car..."Get it up to speed." In 2007 Brent will move up to the HPV3 or HPV4 class. He'll make racing life interesting for

Nick Gaspar, no doubt! Brent has ideas to move up to the TaG class; then Shifters when he's got more seat time. 2005 was his first time in a kart; he was hooked. Terry, Brent's Dad, will be the SDKA Race Director for 2007.



*"I want to drive a NASCAR Cup Car...get it up to speed."*

## Tim Campbell Formula Y/C Heavy ~ 2006 Champion

The Campbell's were the 2006 SDKA Family of the Year; much deserved. Mike, Nancy and Tim, along with Maggie Leister (a very special friend of Tim's) have given much to SDKA over the last 9 seasons. Tim is a 17-year old Senior at Grossmont High; graduates in June. He hopes to attend Grossmont College; maybe not in the fall but soon after. Music, history and the sciences are areas of academic interest; music has become a passion . . . beyond a hobby. Tim would like for music, in some form, to be his professional path;

as a performer, maker of instruments or a teacher. Tim plays the guitar, electric bass, mandolin, and is learning piano. He has also been a member of *The Thrown* . . . an "alternative rock band," as Tim describes their emerging style. Tim was born in San Diego; never lived in any other place; has grown up in the same house where his Dad, Mike, grew up on Tex Street in La Mesa. How cool is that! The head to head competition with Nick Launder, and close racing formed an enduring memory of the 2006 season for Tim.

Due to a busy music-filled life, Tim may not be able to defend the Formula Y/C title in 2007. His 125 consecutive race days with SDKA are a record not soon to be bested. That's 9-years of making every race event SDKA has conducted at Cajon Speedway, Amago, Qualcomm, Adams and Moran. Quite a feat! You are a true Champion, Tim!



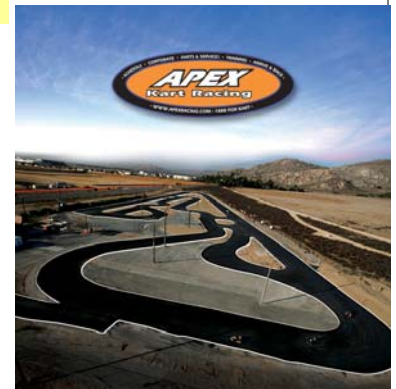
*"My first win came at Amago in HPV2 against Harrison Cash. That is one of my best memories from karting."*

## Apex Karting Circuit Returns

Apex News 2007: "Open! November of 2006 marked the beginning phase of renovation at the *New Apex Karting* circuit. The new course was designed by a favorite name in karting as well as auto racing, Rocky Moran Jr. 'Rocky Moran was instrumental with the entire process of this kart track and we will be forever grateful', said Apex founder David DiMond. The track is over 7/10 mile, up to 34-foot wide and

current with CIK/FIA standards. Multiple configurations create a variety of courses that can handle multiple track activities simultaneously." SDKA will visit Apex three times this season: May 20th - Sunday daylight race; June 9th - Saturday daylight race; August 18th - Saturday night race. The *New Apex* opened for practice on January 27th to 100cc karts; February 24th for Shifters

and TaG. From San Diego, take I-15 north to I-215. Exit at Ramona Expressway. Go east to Lake Perris Drive; turn left. The track will be on the right just past the Fairgrounds; Gate "E". It's an easy 60-minute drive from San Diego; depending on traffic. Check the online schedule or call for open practice days and times. [www.apexracing.com](http://www.apexracing.com)  
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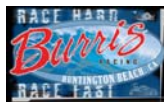


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The San Diego Karting Association is a community organization formed to promote and conduct kart racing in the San Diego County area. SDKA is affiliated with the International Kart Federation (I.K.F.) and adheres to all policies, rules, and technical requirements of the I.K.F. SDKA sponsors a full season of kart racing at Qualcomm Stadium, Moran Raceway in Beaumont CA, and Apex Raceway in Perris CA. The season usually includes one race per month, along with other special race events. Our racing season runs February through October.

SDKA encourages fellowship and good sportsmanship among its members, and family participation is encouraged at all of our events. General membership meetings are held once a month. Newcomers to the sport are always welcome to attend.

A Big Thank You to Our 2007 Class Sponsors! Now Support Them!



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June 2006 - Formula Y/C  
Qualcomm West Course  
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