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TO THE ROTAX MAX CHALLENGE GRAND FINALS 2026

Dear Drivers, Teams, Partners and Friends of the Rotax Family,

It is a great pleasure to welcome you to the 2026 Rotax MAX Challenge Grand Finals at the Kartódromo Internacional do Algarve in Portimão. We are delighted to once again bring the worldwide Rotax Family to this wonderful coastal area of Portugal and this amazing track.

This year marks an important milestone in the history of the RMC Grand Finals. For the first time, the Rotax E10 Mini E-Kart joins the event as an official category. During the season, 36 drivers earned their place at the Grand Finals by competing in dedicated RMC Championships and special events. Their participation demonstrates once again that E-karting delivers real racing, excitement and competition.

With the addition of the E10, we will welcome a record 432 drivers from more than 60 nations – making this year's RMC Grand Finals bigger than ever before. Drivers from all corners of the world will

come together under one roof, sharing one paddock and one common passion. Seeing so many different nations united in one big tent is a wonderful reflection of what the RMC Grand Finals and the Rotax Family are all about.

The RMC Grand Finals are about much more than racing. They are a special tribute to our champions and to the incredible journey each driver has taken to earn their place here. On the track, everyone has the same opportunity: brand-new karts, prepared and supplied with the support of our valued Chassis Partners, ensuring maximum equality for all 432 drivers. From there, it is about talent, strategy, determination – and, sometimes, a little bit of luck.

But above all, it is about the drivers. Every single one of you is a champion and among the best Rotax drivers in the world. This week, you will compete against each other for the ultimate prize: to be crowned RMC Grand Finals Champion. I would like to sincerely thank our Chassis

EDITORIAL



PETER ÖLSINGER

General Manager BRP-Rotax, Member of the Management Board, VP Sales, Marketing RPS Business & Communications

Partners and all our partners, teams and dedicated staff who make this unique event possible. And to all our drivers: enjoy every moment, race hard, race fair and embrace the friendships and memories you will create along the way.

On behalf of the entire BRP-Rotax team, I wish you the very best of luck. I look forward to celebrating an unforgettable week of racing, sportsmanship and friendship together with the entire Rotax Family here in Portimão.

Welcome to the RMC Grand Finals 2026 and thank you for being part of this incredible journey.

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WELCOME TO THE ALGARVE



MIGUEL PRAIA

CCO & Board Member Autódromo Internacional do Algarve

It is a great pleasure and a true honor to welcome the Rotax MAX Challenge Grand Finals back to the Kartódromo Internacional do Algarve.

To host this unique event here in Portimão for the fifth time is a very special achievement for our entire team. Over the years, the RMC Grand Finals have become an important part of the history of our karting circuit, and we are extremely proud to once again welcome the Rotax community from all corners of the world.

The Grand Finals bring together hundreds of drivers from more than 60 nations, alongside their families, teams, partners, and supporters. For one week, our circuit becomes a truly global meeting point for karting – bringing together different cultures, languages, and backgrounds through a shared passion for racing.

Beyond the competition itself, what makes this event so special is the atmosphere. The friendships created in the paddock, the excitement of racing against the best drivers from around the world, and the unforgettable moments shared with family and teammates are all part of what makes the RMC Grand Finals unique.

For many young drivers, being here is the culmination of years of hard work and an important milestone in their racing careers. We are therefore particularly proud that the Kartódromo Internacional do Algarve can once again be the setting for these dreams, ambitions, and unforgettable racing moments.

We also greatly value the strong relationship we have built with the Rotax Racing organization over the years. An event of this scale can only happen through the commitment, professio-

nalism, and teamwork of everyone involved, and it is a great pleasure for us to work alongside the Rotax team to bring another Grand Finals to life here in the Algarve.

Our circuit is known for being a demanding and rewarding challenge, and we look forward to witnessing some outstanding racing throughout the week. But we also hope that your time in Portugal goes beyond the circuit. We invite all our international guests to discover Portimão and the Algarve, its landscapes, culture, gastronomy and, above all, the warm hospitality of our region.

On behalf of the entire team at the Kartódromo Internacional do Algarve, I warmly welcome all drivers, families, teams, partners, officials, and guests to Portimão.



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SAVE THE DATES

A SHORTCUT OVERVIEW ABOUT THE MOST IMPORTANT OFF-TRACK ACTIVITIES

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 07

14:30 - 16:00

MOJO CONTEST QUALIFICATION

The stage for the Mechanics. Qualify for the Finals on Saturday Nov 14.

17:30 - 17:50

DRIVERS PRESENTATION ON PODIUM

The official Drivers Presentation will take place at the podium, with all drivers going on stage in their respective categories.

Drivers gather near the podium at 17:10

Dress code: race suit or, if unavailable, team clothing (no competing brands allowed).

WELCOME PARTY



17:30 - 20:00 Paddock

Join us as we kick off the RMC Grand Finals with an unforgettable Welcome Party set in the middle of the Paddock. Celebrate the week ahead, talk with your buddies and make new friends. What's Waiting for You:

- Drinks & BBQ
- DJ Bringing the Right Beats

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 08

08:55 - 10:10 TEAM PICTURES

in front of the Kart Line-up by the official Rotax Photographer. Get ready on time and gather with your Team. **Be fast – time is limited!**

10:15 - 10:35 WELCOME BRIEFING

Takes place at the Podium in the Paddock.

10:40 - 13:40 KART RAFFLE

Check the Time Schedule for the slots of the different categories

14:30 - 16:15

BRIEFINGS DRIVER & ENTRANT

MANDATORY

Location: F1 Track

Check the Time Schedule for Time Slots of the different categories. Keep in mind to include driving time to the F1 Track.

15:00 - 17:00

TRACK WALK

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 13

10:45 - 12:00

DRIVERS PARADE & PICTURE

powered by BELL. Meetingpoint is in front of the Podium in the Paddock. **DRIVERS wear your racesuits and bring your helmets!**

Teams be ready in time to pick-up your country flag and to walk on the track together representing you and your country.

More details are coming soon!

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 14

16:30 - 16:50

MOJO TYRE CHANGING CONTEST FINALS

on the Podium in the Paddock. Cheer for the fastest Mechanics!

17:00 - 18:00

PRIZE GIVING CEREMONY

We're awarding the Champions of the RMC Grand Finals 2026 including some Highlights and Specials on the Podium in the Paddock. Celebrate this moment with us!

A NEW ERA TAKES THE GRID



THE ROTAX E10 E-KART.
ONE POWERTRAIN. DIFFERENT COUNTRIES. DIFFERENT PATHS.



ROTAX E10 CHARGED WITH MORE

A NEW GENERATION OF ROTAX RACING

The Rotax E10 is a fully electric kart powertrain developed specifically for the next generation of kart racers. Designed for drivers from the age of six, it combines the excitement of electric performance with a simple, accessible and low-maintenance concept.

What makes the E10 special is that it brings together instant electric torque,

consistent power delivery and race-focused performance in a package designed to be easy to handle and easy to operate. There is no fuel mixing, no carburettor adjustment and no regular oil changes - simply charge, get in and drive.

And while the technology is different, the objective remains the same: put the focus on the driver.

Standardised and sealed performance helps create a level playing field, while the instant response of the electric motor gives young racers a completely different driving experience. Now CIK-FIA Approved, the Rotax E10 marks another important milestone in electric karting, combining innovative technology with internationally recognised technical and safety standards.

ONE POWERTRAIN. TWO CONFIGURATIONS.

The E10 is designed to grow with young drivers. The same powertrain platform can be configured for two different stages of the karting journey:

E10 Bambini - from age 6

With its lower power setting and single-battery configuration, the E10 Bambini is designed to give the youngest drivers an easy and approachable introduction to electric karting.

E10 Mini - For the next step

The E10 Mini increases the performance level to 10.5 kW peak power, delivering a competitive character comparable to the Rotax 125 Mini MAX. With its two-battery configuration, the E10 Mini is designed for young drivers ready to take their electric racing experience to the next level.

E10 Bambini	E10 Mini
5 kW Peak Power	10.5 kW Peak Power
48 V System Voltage	48 V System Voltage
1 battery	2 batteries
27.7 kg powertrain weight	40.5 powertrain weight
28 min charging time*	34 min charging time*
10,000 rpm max	10,000 rpm max
IP67 protection	IP67 protection
87 km/h max speed*	110 km/h max speed*

*Maximum speed depends on gearing and track configuration; charging time refers to 10-80%

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WHY E10?

EASY TO GET STARTED

The E10 removes many of the technical barriers traditionally associated with karting. There is no fuel mixing, carburettor adjustment or oil change - making the concept easier for young drivers and their families.

MORE TIME ON TRACK

Less routine maintenance means more time available for what matters most: driving, learning and improving. The E10's simple operating concept is particularly suited to young racers and racing schools.

INSTANT RESPONSE

Electric torque is available immediately, giving the E10 a distinctive acceleration character. The power delivery is smooth and consistent throughout the race, allowing drivers to concentrate on their lines, braking points and racecraft.

BOOST = RACE STRATEGY

The Boost Button adds an extra layer to the racing experience. Every 45 seconds, drivers can activate Boost which provides an additional 40-60 % of power, for overtaking or defending as a strategic element.

NEXT LEVEL PARITY

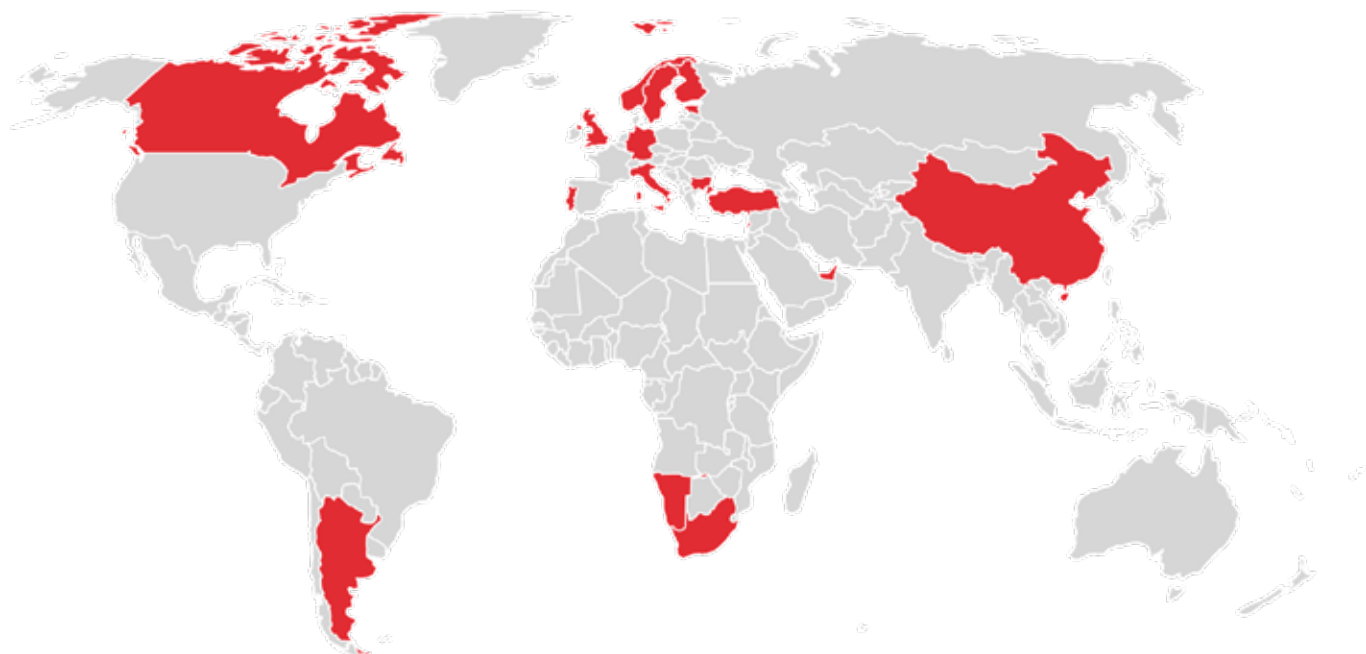
Every E10 uses standardized, sealed performance. There is no engine tuning advantage to be gained from finding additional performance in the powertrain. The kart provides the performance. The driver makes the difference.

QUIET POWER

Without the noise of a combustion engine, the driving experience changes. Young racers can hear the tyres, the kerbs and the kart working beneath them, creating a different level of connection with the track.



ONE SEASON AROUND THE WORLD



THE ROAD TO PORTIMAO HAS CROSSED CONTINENTS.

During 2026, the Rotax E10 Mini was introduced into selected Rotax racing programmes around the world. From established national championships to dedicated E10 programmes, the season has created a first global picture of what electric Rotax racing can look like.

E10 CHALLENGE SOUTH AFRICA

On July 05, 2026, the first electric kart race on the African continent took place at Zwartkops International Kart Raceway. The E10 Challenge brought together drivers from South Africa, Namibia and Mozambique, with each round offering its own route to the RMC Grand Finals.

RMCIT SOUTH AMERICA

The RMC International Trophy South America brings the E10 story to a continental level. With the E10 Mini reaching its entry quota before the deadline, the event demonstrates the growing interest in electric Rotax Racing across the region.

RMC ARGENTINA

Argentina introduced the E10 as the first electric division within its national karting championship. The debut took place at Baradero in August, where 12 drivers competed in the Rotax E10 Mini class. The new category was integrated into an established championship environment with a large overall field and national television coverage.



BRITISH KART CHAMPIONSHIP

In 2026, the British Kart Championship opened its grid to electric racing for the first time with the introduction of the Rotax E10 Cadet Cup. Running under Motorsport UK permit, the E10 Cadet Cup competed alongside the championship's established combustion-powered categories. This created

an interesting mix of racing traditions and new technology on the same race weekends. The British championship also brought the new electric category to a wider audience, with championship highlights reaching viewers through Sky Sports F1 with Alphaslive.



GOKART FOR ALLE NORWAY

Norway created one of the most distinctive E10 programmes of the season. Gokart for alle, operated directly by the Norwegian national motorsport federation, runs entirely on Rotax E10 - with no combustion class in the programme. The series combines arrive-and-drive racing, identical Sodikart chassis, fixed

season costs and coaching, creating an accessible route into competitive karting. With 4 categories - Bambini (2 Batteries), Mini, Mini big chassis and Mini Performance with the big chassis, the participation grew significantly compared with 2025, making it the largest Rotax E10 programme worldwide by driver count.

RMC TÜRKIYE

Turkey introduced the Rotax E10 to its national RMC programme in 2026, with the season opening at Tuzla Karting Park - marking the first officially sanctioned electric kart race in the country. The E10 Mini gave young Turkish drivers the opportunity to compete for a place at the RMC Grand Finals in Portimão.

ROTAX E-SERIES BY SH KARTING

Canada's first E10 race took place during the Canadian Open at ICAR in July. The series was designed as an arrive-and-drive programme, with identical Sodikart chassis and Rotax E10 powertrains supplied by SH Karting.

Six of the seven drivers in the opening race had moved across from Mini MAX, creating a direct bridge between established Rotax racing and the new electric category.

SWEDISH E10 CHAMPIONSHIP

The Swedish E10 Mini Series made its debut at Gellerasen Arena during the legendary Kanonloppet race.

Nine drivers from Sweden, Norway and Finland contested the opening round alongside Porsche Carrera Cup Scandinavia, V8 Thundercars, Legends and Pro Superbikes.

ADAC YOUNGSTER CUP GERMANY

The Rotax E10 made its German race debut with a special event as part of the ADAC Kart Youngster Cup at Fulda-Dietershäusen. Twelve young drivers took to the grid, with both Arrive & Drive and own chassis options available. The event marked an exciting first step for E10 competition in Germany - and offered one coveted ticket to the RMC Grand Finals in Portimão.





THE DRIVERS BEHIND THE E10

Across the 2026 season, young drivers have been among the first to discover what the Rotax E10 feels like in real competition. They have raced it on different circuits, in different countries and under different race formats.



MADOX PELLETIER

Canada | Rotax E-Series

Madox loves the E10! He especially appreciates the instant throttle response, the power delivery, and how quiet it is on the track. He also loves that all the karts are identical.

Madox started karting when he was just three and a half years old. He is now 10 and in his third year in Mini MAX – since the Micro MAX category does not exist in Canada – so he's always been among the youngest drivers. That challenge pushed him to progress rapidly.

Madox secured P3 overall in Mini MAX and is Canada's E10 Champion. "We are immensely proud to have helped pioneer the E10 in Canada and thrilled to share this experience with him in Portimão," says his dad Max. "I had the honour of representing Team Canada in Junior MAX at the Grand Finals in Malaysia in 2005, so returning as a father and manager [at SH Karting] makes this trip deeply meaningful!"

HARLEY HAUGHTON

UK | Porsche Carrera Cup Italia, Junior Development Driver

"This was a really cool experience! It's unlike a combustion kart in the way the power is delivered, but a lot of fun, especially around a

twisty circuit like Misano – really mega. I'd definitely drive one again! I started karting at 8 years in cadets and moved into Micro- and Mini MAX, so it's great to see the evolution of Rotax. We always

struggled as privateers in the higher level championships. So being able to prove yourself with a proven manufacturer on an equal playing ground, such as the Rotax E10, is definitely something we would have looked at. Knowing your car is just as capable of a laptime as anybody else is why I'm really happy to be racing with Porsche, especially the ladder they've created; it goes hand-in-hand with Rotax. The goal is to become a Porsche factory driver."



ENZO HIORT AF ORNÄS

Finland | Swedish E10 Championship

Everything changed when Enzo tried a go-kart for the first time at age seven while on holidays. The others went to the beach – somewhere he and his dad didn't want to go – so they went to the track. He gave it a go and absolutely loved it. Enzo is 11 and ranked 3rd in the Swedish E10 Championship at Gelleråsen. He's driven different karts, but got so excited about the E10 class that he plans to race in every possible round, at least in Sweden, while also training in Junior MAX. Enzo's dream is to reach the Porsche Supercup, as he aims to follow his father racing in Porsche Carrera Cup Scandinavia.

"Motorsport has been more than a hobby for me since childhood; it's a lifestyle and a passion...", explains Enzo's dad Tomi. "And getting to share this with my son is the ultimate dream come true."



Michael just turned 12, and began karting 5 years ago. He's not from a racing family, yet he was obsessed with cars and racing since he was a toddler.

MICHAEL O'MAHONEY

South Africa | Rotax E10 Challenge

He has raced in several categories, including Micro MAX and Mini MAX, now the E10 E-Kart, taking part in 78 races in total. He has won the African Open, two regional championships, twice runner-up in the national series and this year he won the inaugural E10 Challenge.

Michael loves karting, but has a good balance of sport and music, and dreamed of qualifying for the Grand Finals since he started.

"What attracted me to the E10 was the parity of equipment," says his dad Ryan. "We entered the E10 Challenge and Michael figured out straight away how to drive it quicker than anyone else. It was one of my best race days ever – quiet, calm and no drama about who has the best engine, or whether they are out of spec."



ALEXANDER NAFSTAD

Norway | Gokart for Alle & Swedish E10 Championship

Alexander is 11 and totally hooked on karting. At the Oslo Motorshow in 2024 he saw a banner with the words: "Do you want to become a

kart driver?" promoting an initiative from the Norwegian Automobile Sports Federation. In 2025, he joined 'Gokart for Alles' arrive & drive concept with the Rotax E10

before getting his own Mini kart. He met a new friend called Leon and they formed a small team, competing in the E-Kart programme plus a full season in the Mini class in 2026.

They travelled to Sweden for the famous Kanonloppet, where the E10 powertrains were supplied, and Leon took 2nd. Alexander returned to Karlskoga for the Prince's Trophy, finishing P2 and series vice champion.

"I simply love the Rotax E10 and how uncomplicated it is to run," his dad Stig says. "For those new to the sport without technical experience, it's a fantastic way to get started in motorsport and karting. It gives us much more time to focus on the driver and kart setup. Rotax provides closely matched power units with relatively low maintenance costs, and we still have the possibility to win races. This is important to us, being in control of costs throughout the season."



KIR IVANOV

UAE | Rotax E10 Mini UAE

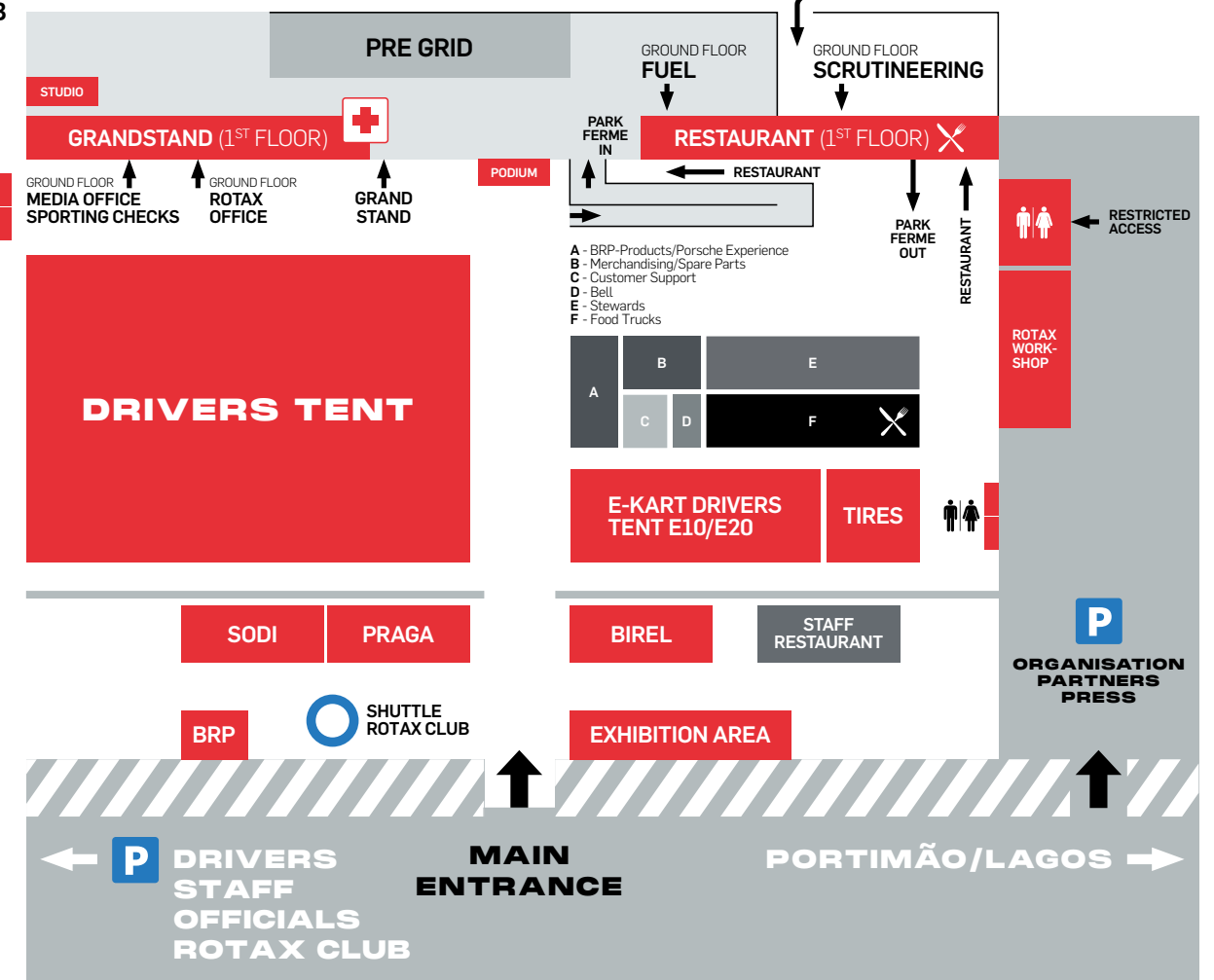
Kir is 12 and a third generation driver who is relatively new to karting, with a strong motorsport background. He raced motocross at four to be UAE champion then moved to jetski racing at 8, winning major MENA competitions. Kir had a season in Mini MAX, stepping up to Junior MAX next. After an intro to the E10 at an event in Dubai, he immediately wanted to try it.

"It's something completely new and a very exciting direction for karting," says Vladimir Ivanov.

"The real game-changer here is for beginners, it is way simpler technical sport. The system removes many variables that catch people out and in future, will be even more affordable with zero maintenance. Charge it to 100% and your kart is ready to go out and win. The strategic 'boost button' adds another element to racing. For Kir to qualify for the RMCGF is something very special and we feel incredibly lucky."

Paddock Plan

ROTAX CLUB





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2000		PUERTO RICO
Senior MAX	Gavin Cronje (RSA)	
2001		MALAYSIA
Senior MAX	Claudio P. Musso (RSA)	
Senior MAX Masters	Darrell Smith (AUS)	
2002		SOUTH AFRICA
Senior MAX	Mark Cronje (RSA)	
Senior MAX Masters	Kazunori Takahashi (JPN)	
2003		EGYPT
Junior MAX	Martin Omar (ESP)	
Senior MAX	Cristiano Morgado (RSA)	
Senior MAX Masters	Mark Wicks (AUS)	
2004		SPAIN
Junior MAX	Benjamin Salvatore (FRA)	
Senior MAX	Sam Ghalleb (FRA)	
MAX DD2	Wesleigh Orr (RSA)	
2005		MALAYSIA
Junior MAX	Kenneth Hildebrand (EST)	
Senior MAX	Luuk Glansdorp (NED)	
Senior MAX Masters	Satya Rasa (IDN)	
MAX DD2	Wesleigh Orr (RSA)	
2006		PORTUGAL
Junior MAX	Jorrit Pex (BEL)	
Senior MAX	Ricardo Romkema (NED)	
Senior MAX Masters	Luc Sauriol (CAN)	
MAX DD2	Ben George (AUT)	
2007		UAE
Junior MAX	Kevin Korjus (EST)	
Senior MAX	Benjy Russell (GBR)	
Senior MAX Masters	Colin Davis (GBR)	
MAX DD2	Pier-Luc Ouellette (CAN)	
MAX DD2 Masters	Christophe Adams (BEL)	
2008		ITALY
Junior MAX	Facundo Chapur (ARG)	
Senior MAX	Ben Cooper (GBR)	
Senior MAX Masters	Martin Pierce (IRL)	
MAX DD2	Leeroy Poulter (RSA)	
MAX DD2 Masters	Dennis Kroes (NED)	

WALL OF FAME

2000-2025

2009		EGYPT
Junior MAX	Ukyo Sasahra (JPN)	
Senior MAX	Luke Varley (GBR)	
Senior MAX Masters	Christophe Adams (BEL)	
MAX DD2	Caleb Williams (RSA)	
MAX DD2 Masters	Jesús Pérez-Santander (ESP)	
2010		ITALY
Junior MAX	Martin Rump (EST)	
Senior MAX	Caleb Williams (RSA)	
MAX DD2	Daniel Morad (CAN)	
MAX DD2 Masters	Scott Campbell (CAN)	
2011		UAE
Junior MAX	Ukyo Sasahara (JPN)	
Senior MAX	Ben Cooper (GBR)	
MAX DD2	Pier-Luc Ouellette (CAN)	
MAX DD2 Masters	Cristiano Morgado (RSA)	
2012		PORTUGAL
Junior MAX	Harry Webb (UK)	
Senior MAX	Charlie Eastwood (IRL)	
MAX DD2	Ben Cooper (CAN)	
MAX DD2 Masters	Cristiano Morgado (RSA)	
2013		USA
Junior MAX	Juan Correa (USA)	
Senior MAX	Oliver Hodgson (GBR)	
MAX DD2	Simas Juodvirsis (LIT)	
MAX DD2 Masters	Cristiano Morgado (RSA)	
2014		SPAIN
Junior MAX	Juri Vips (EST)	
Senior MAX	Carlos Gil (ESP)	
MAX DD2	Sean Babington (UAE)	
MAX DD2 Masters	Mikko Laine (FIN)	



2015		PORTUGAL
Junior MAX	Florian Venturi (FRA)	
Senior MAX	Alex Irlando (ITA)	
MAX DD2	Ferenc Kancsar (HUN)	
MAX DD2 Masters	Ryan Urban (NZL)	
2016		ITALY
Micro MAX	Diego Laroque (USA)	
Mini MAX	Jayden Els (RSA)	
Junior MAX	Mark Kimber (GBR)	
Senior MAX	Denis Mavlanov (RUS)	
MAX DD2	Ferenc Kancsar (HUN)	
MAX DD2 Masters	Lee Mitchener (AUS)	
2017		PORTUGAL
Micro MAX	Louis Iglesias (FRA)	
Mini MAX	Marcus Amand (FRA)	
Junior MAX	Tijmen Van Der Helm (NED)	
Senior MAX	Brett Ward (GBR)	
MAX DD2	Cody Gillis (AUS)	
MAX DD2 Masters	Troy Woolston (AUS)	

2018		BRAZIL
Micro MAX	Brent Crews (USA)	
Mini MAX	Farin Megger (GER)	
Junior MAX	Robert de Haan (NED)	
Senior MAX	Senna van Walstijn (NED)	
MAX DD2	Paolo Besancenez (FRA)	
MAX DD2 Masters	Cristiano Morgado (RSA)	
2019		ITALY
Micro MAX	Jay Urwin (NZA)	
Mini MAX	Jolan Raccamier (FRA)	
Junior MAX	Clay Osborne (NZA)	
Senior MAX	Axel Saarniala (FIN)	
MAX DD2	Petr Bezel (CZE)	
MAX DD2 Masters	Roberto Pesevski (AUT)	

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2021	BAHRAIN
Micro MAX	Nikita Ljubimov (EST)
Mini MAX	Arata Endo (JPN)
Junior MAX	Tomass Stolcermanis (LAT)
Senior MAX	Mark Kimber (GBR)
MAX DD2	Martijn Van Leeuwen (NLD)
MAX DD2 Masters	Morgan Riche (FRA)
E20	Oscar Pellemele (FRA)

2022	PORTUGAL
Micro MAX	Martim Marques (PRT)
Mini MAX	Christopher El Feghali (LBN)
Junior MAX	Scott Marsh (GBR)
Senior MAX	Callum Bradshaw (GBR)
MAX DD2	Mark Kimber (GBR)
MAX DD2 Masters	Kristaps Gasparovics (LVA)
E20 Junior	Joel Bergstroem (SWE)
E20 Senior	Jesper Sjoeborg (SWE)

2023	BAHRAIN
Micro MAX	Jenson Chalk (GBR)
Mini MAX	Rory Armstrong (GBR)
Junior MAX	Timo Jungling (GBR)
Senior MAX	Petrovic Andrej (SRB)
MAX DD2	Ragnar Veerus (EST)
MAX DD2 Masters	Ben Cooper (CAN)
E20 Senior	Mats Johan Overhoff (GER)
E20 Masters	João Gonçalves (BRA)
E10 Cup	Veeti Salmi (FIN)

2024	ITALY
Micro MAX	Joshua Cooke (GBR)
Mini MAX	Zdenek Babicek (CZE)
Junior MAX	Jacob Ashcroft (GBR)
Senior MAX	Vic Stevens (BEL)
MAX DD2	Xen de Ruwe (SVN)
MAX DD2 Masters	Nicolas Picot (FRA)
E20 Senior	Armand Hamilton (HUN)
E20 Masters	Maurits Knopjes (BEL)

2025	BAHRAIN
Micro MAX	Benjamin Karajkovic (UAE)
Mini MAX	Tom Read (GBR)
Junior MAX	Majus Mazinas (LIT)
Senior MAX	Macauley Bishop (GBR)
MAX DD2	Sem Knopjes (NED)
MAX DD2 Masters	Martynas Tankevicius
E20 Senior	Jannik Jakobs (GER)
E20 Masters	Maurits Knopjes (UAE)

NATIONS CUP

2007	Canada	2016	Canada
2008	United Kingdom	2017	Australia
2009	United Kingdom	2018	Brazil
2010	Spain	2019	France
2011	Australia	2021	France
2012	United Kingdom	2022	United Kingdom
2013	USA	2023	United Kingdom
2014	South Africa	2024	United Kingdom
2015	USA	2025	United Kingdom





THE TRACK

1,600 km length | 10 turns



PORTIMÃO IS SMOOTH & FAST YOUR STRATEGY WILL BE THE KEY

The kart track offers a very nice and fast layout to drive with a really smooth surface over a varying degree of elevation. It has many different types of corners that can make the contrast between drivers during the competition, with good 'user-friendly' kerbs defining the apex and edge of the circuit. There is a fast 400-metre-long straight and without any doubt, plenty of places to pass throughout the lap.



START

The main straight is approximately 400 metres in length, with a slight kink to the right at around the 200-metre mark. This is taken at full acceleration all the way to the end and into the heavy braking zone. The slipstreaming effect along the straights is extremely important for a good lap time and overtaking opportunity at the end.



TURN 1

This is a 90° right-hander so the braking into the corner should be late and heavy to position the kart for a tight exit so as to prepare for the second corner.



TURN 2

A nice approach here helps maintain speed and flow through corner 2 with a wide exit heading downhill to corner 3.

TURN 3

A sweeping type of corner which can be approached with full attack. You need to be late on the brakes, carrying good speed through the middle of the corner and maintaining it with a wide exit. Coming out, it's uphill which then leads into two left kinks taken under full acceleration.



TURN 5

You need a late braking effort on the approach to this double apex corner. Be slightly wide of the apex on the initial turn in, then picking up the apex on the second part of the corner. No sliding, as good flow is required to carry speed through **TURN 5** – a full acceleration 90° right-hander – and down to corner 6.



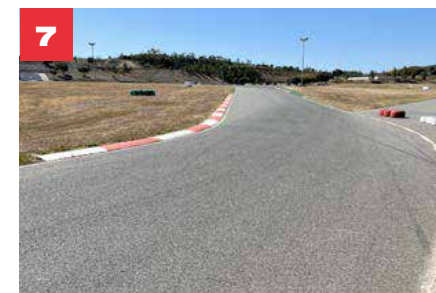
TURN 6

It can be a difficult corner. It's very fast and requires a slight lift, necessary to maintain good positioning. You need to drive through this right each lap, as any mistake will certainly affect exit speed and the approach to corner 7.



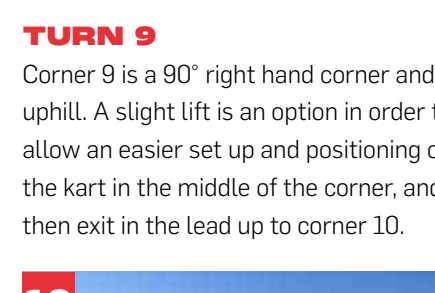
TURN 7

Take this corner with caution because getting it wrong opens the door for you to be overtaken. Make it a wide turn in and brake later. Corners 7 and 8 (**TURN 8** being a slow left hand 180° corner), are the slowest corners on the track and slightly uphill, so a nice flow through these is necessary to enable a good exit speed and fast approach to corner 9.



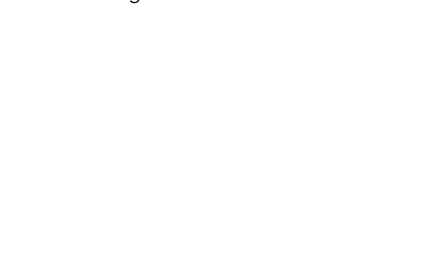
TURN 8

This is driven with full acceleration all the way through the apex and onto the main straight – over the finish line.



TURN 9

Corner 9 is a 90° right hand corner and uphill. A slight lift is an option in order to allow an easier set up and positioning of the kart in the middle of the corner, and then exit in the lead up to corner 10.



TURN 10

This is driven with full acceleration all the way through the apex and onto the main straight – over the finish line.





WE BUILD KARTS BECAUSE MOTORSPORT IS OUR PASSION

Birel has been a family business for generations that has been built on passion and values. Founded by Umberto Sala (whose nickname was 'Birel') in 1959, the company originally produced bicycles in Lissone, Italy.

When the sport of karting began gaining popularity around the world in the early 1960s, their focus shifted to manufacturing karts. Throughout the decades, Birel's reputation developed for producing high-quality chassis with innovative design.

The company invested in research and development to constantly evolve, aiming to maintain a competitive advantage. Attracting both amateur and professional drivers, they gained success nationally and internationally, winning many prestigious titles.

There were numerous drivers who succeeded in a brilliant career beyond karting – such as Riccardo Patrese, Keke Rosberg, Stefano Modena, Mikka

Hakkinen, Juan Pablo Montoya, Jenson Button and George Russell. Birel ART became well known for supporting youngsters who went on to achieve their dream of Formula 1 and top motorsport categories. As a result, product lines have been launched for Daniel Ricciardo, Robert Kubica and Charles Leclerc. This has helped boost brand visibility, high performance and their motorsport ties. Birel ART remains a leading player in international karting, supporting competitors within their network.

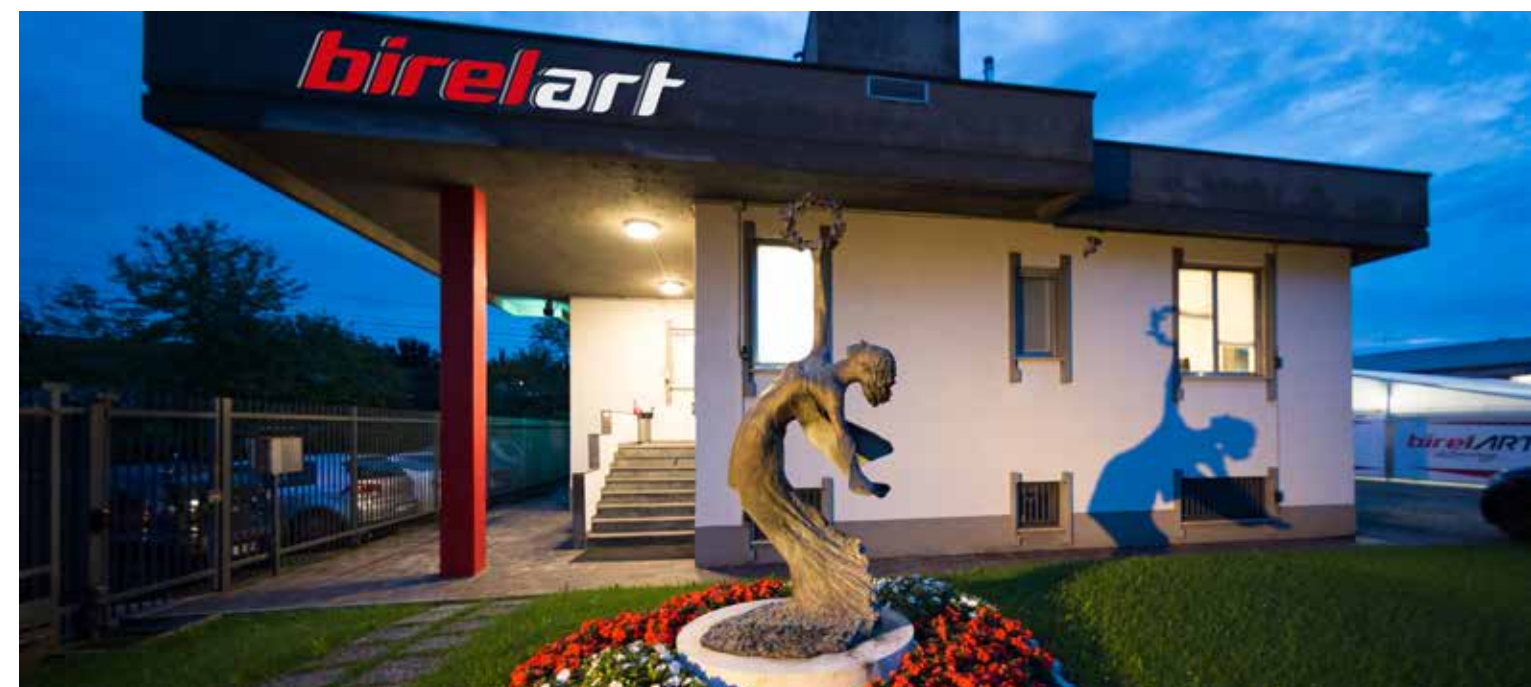
RMCGF Partners

The beginning of the partnership between Rotax and Birel ART began in 2011 at the RMC Grand Finals in Al Ain, United Arab Emirates. The high profile Italian chassis manufacturer has provided technical and logistical support for the Rotax season highlight event over the years since then, ensuring the renowned quality and reliability that participants expect.

For the 25th anniversary of the RMCGF in Sarno, Italy, Birel ART delivered more than 180 brand new karts for competitors in the Rotax Mini MAX, DD2 and DD2 Masters categories.

In 2026, Birel ART will supply the chassis for the Rotax DD2 class fielding a double grid with the RY30RXS19 and another double grid with the Charles Leclerc Chassis for the Mini MAX category.

"Birelart is proud to confirm its participation in the 2026 Rotax Grand Finals," said Ronni Sala, CEO Birelart. "We are ready to support the drivers with our flagship models of Birelart for the DD2 category and the Charles Leclerc Kart for Mini MAX. Supplying our chassis for such a prestigious event remains a fundamental pillar of our racing strategy and a testament to our commitment to excellence in the world of karting."



Find more info
and details on the
Birelart Website.





birelart

OUR CHASSIS PARTNER SUPPORTING THE CATEGORIES



CHARLES LECLERC



MINI MAX

Chassis producer BirelART	
CIK Homologation No	007/CH/92
Brand name and type	CLC28 S19
Tube Diameter	28 mm
Wheelbase	950 mm
Axle Diameter	30 mm - type „B“
Brakes	Hydraulic 1RR
Weight (with engine)	63 kg
Website	www.clkarting.com
Engine Type	Rotax 125 Mini MAX Evo MY20
MAX performance	9,6 kW / 13 hp at 7.500 rpm
Max torque	13 Nm at 6,000 rpm



MAX DD2

Chassis producer Birel ART	
CIK Homologation No	007/CH/10
Brand name and type	RY30 RX S19
Tube Diameter	30 mm
Wheelbase	1045 mm
Axle Diameter	40 mm - type „F“
Brakes	Hydraulic 3RR EVO
Weight (with engine)	88 kg
Website	www.birelart.com
Engine Type	Rotax 125 MAX DD2 Evo
MAX performance	25 kW / 34 hp at 12,000 rpm
Max torque	22 Nm at 10,500 rpm



DANIEL SLIVA, IP Karting



PURE PASSION, DEDICATED ENGINEERING 100% ITALIAN MADE

Supported by extensive experience accumulated over more than ten years in business, Innovative Products for Karting (IPK) stands out for its commitment to continuous progress, enabling it to make a difference in a highly competitive sector.

IPK's journey began at the end of 2010, when Czech entrepreneur Petr Ptacek founded a kart manufacturer with the ambitious goal of revolutionising the world of karting. With this vision in mind, the company immediately began designing and manufacturing racing karts at its operational base in the municipality of Salizzole, near Verona in Italy. From the outset, the chassis produced by the newly established group stood out for their refinement and meticulous attention to detail – qualities that were immediately demonstrated by their on-track performance.

In 2012, Bas Lammers won the World Cup in the Praga Kart chassis, the most historic brand within IPK. That same year, the OK1 brand joined the IPK family along with the development of the

Rental Kart Line, which made its debut in the Czech Republic. The arrival of the Formula K brand in 2015 furthered the group's success.

After securing the European vice-champion's title in 2018, Jérémy Iglesias brought IPK its second world title in 2020. More recently, the RS brand added to the current models produced in Italy. By investing in the latest engineering technology and with a team of highly specialised personnel, the group continues to broaden their scope.

With this vision, the owner sold his shares in 2023 to two long-standing employees, Daniel Sliva and Petr Ulbert. IPK combines tradition and innovation, working the pure passion that has fuelled its history. Beyond enhancing the performance of its chassis to compete at the highest levels, IPK is dedicated to produce new accessories designed to make its products more compatible for drivers of all experience levels. This commitment has led to IPK being involved with several ventures for partner projects—both in racing and rental karting.

RMCGF Partners

The passion, energy and vast experience of the combined IPK outfit brought exceptional service, shared with the top competitors since they became partners for the RMC GF 2013 in New Orleans, USA. It was an exciting appearance for the youngest manufacturer in the line-up to join this amazing flagship event. The feedback insists that the opportunity to compete with the IPK product support succeeds in achieving competitive racing for the Rotax titles.

The vibrant colours of the turquoise and blue chassis are synonymous with the expertise that the IPK factory knows is essential to be a winning global brand. IPK will be supplying the Rotax Micro MAX and E10 category with the Praga Monster Evo Chassis and the Senior MAX category with the Formula K Dragon Evo. The Italian-based team will again bring their best engineers and technicians to advise the qualified drivers fighting for victory.



**Find more info
and details on the
Praga Website.**





Praga

OUR CHASSIS PARTNER
SUPPORTING THE CATEGORIES

MICRO MAX



Chassis producer Praga	
CIK Homologation No	006/CH/15
Brand name and type	Praga Monster Evo
Tube Diameter	28 mm
Wheelbase	950 mm
Axle Diameter	30 x 5 x 960 mm
Brakes	IPK MKB.V2
Website	www.ipkarting.com
Engine Type	Rotax 125 Mini MAX Evo MY20
MAX performance	9.6 kW / 13 hp at 7.500 rpm
Max torque	13 Nm at 6.000 rpm

E10 MINI



Chassis producer Praga	
CIK Homologation No	006/CH/15
Brand name and type	Praga Monster Evo
Tube Diameter	28 mm
Wheelbase	950 mm
Axle Diameter	30 x 5 x 960 mm
Brakes	IPK MKB.V2
Website	www.ipkarting.com
Engine Type	Rotax E10
Power Output	10,5 kW
Max torque	10.000 1/min



SENIOR MAX



Chassis producer Praga	
CIK Homologation No	006-CH-90
Brand name and type	FormulaK Dragon EVO 3
Tube Diameter	30 mm
Wheelbase	1045 mm
Axle Diameter	50 x 1030 mm
Brakes	IPK RBS.V3
Website	www.ipkarting.com
Engine Type	Rotax 125 Senior MAX Evo
MAX performance	22 kW / 30 hp at 11.500 rpm
Max torque	21 Nm at 9.000 rpm





THE SPIRIT OF COMPETITION IS IN OUR DNA

Established close to Nantes in Western France near the Atlantic Coast, Sodikart dates back to 1981. Originally, it did not involve producing go-karts, but instead, was centred on the sale of competition parts and preparing engines. It was the passion for racing which drove Gildas Mérian to build a profitable business that evolved to become a dominant force in the karting industry. The initial titles on a national level were won in 1982, and by 1986 there was a local circuit built at Sautron. The results continued to grow with the brand's reputation in the sport.

In the season of 1988 when they were on the podium at the CIK-FIA World Championship, Sodikart became the Authorised Distributor of Rotax Kart Products. After first starting to manufacture the Sodikart chassis for both rental and racing in 1991, the world title was won by David Terrien in 1993. At this stage, the focus turned primarily to leisure karts to strengthen the economic situation and by 1998 a new factory was built.

10 years later, Sodikart was back racing and featuring at the top level of competition. Nowadays, the karts are designed and produced at the facilities in Couëron according to very strict criteria, inspired by the auto industry, to ensure the best quality, reliability and performance. Based on development strategy, innovation and the goal to make karting more accessible with a unique, extensive range of products and events, Sodikart is a truly global brand. There are over 70 Authorized Rotax Dealers and Service Centres throughout France.

The Challenge Rotax France was created in 1999, offering drivers a chance to represent their country at the RMCGF. Rotax MAX engines are also competing at the FFSA French Cup and French Championship. 3MK Events are the in-house race organizer responsible for the National Series Karting (NSK), RMC International Trophy and SWS 'Arrive & Drive' series.

RMCGF Partners

Sodikart and Rotax have a solid partnership at the RMCGF that spans over two decades, since the 2-speed RM1 (DD2) was showcased by the seniors on the island of Lanzarote in the Canary Islands, Spain, in 2004. Sodi has continually supported different classes during the past 16 years from 2010 at La Conca, Italy. This has enabled the world's leading kart manufacturer to promote the quality and precision of their products to a wide range of competitors, where top ambitious drivers push the material to the limit. Sodikart are proud to have mastered every aspect of this extraordinary competition too.

Their technical team will be trackside in Portugal to offer professional advice and spare parts service with a smile!



Find more info
and details on the
Sodikart Website.





OUR CHASSIS PARTNER
SUPPORTING THE CATEGORIES

JUNIOR MAX



Chassis producer Sodikart	
CIK Homologation No	022/CH/97
Brand name and type	Sodi Sigma RS3
Tube Diameter	30 mm
Wheelbase	1050 mm
Axle Diameter	50 mm
Brakes	4 pistons hydraulic brake system
Weight (with engine)	79 kg
Website	www.sodikart.com
Engine Type	Rotax 125 Junior MAX Evo
MAX performance	17 kW / 23 hp at 8,500 rpm
Max torque	19 Nm at 8,500 rpm

DD2 MASTERS



Chassis producer Sodikart	
CIK Homologation No	022/CH/97
Brand name and type	Sodi Sigma DD2
Tube Diameter	30 mm
Wheelbase	1044 mm
Axle Diameter	40 mm
Brakes	4 pistons hydraulic brake system
Weight (with engine)	79 kg
Website	www.sodikart.com
Engine Type	Rotax 125 MAX DD2 Evo
MAX performance	25 kW / 34 hp at 12,000 rpm
Max torque	22 Nm at 10,500 rpm

E20 SENIOR
& E20 MASTERS



Chassis producer Sodikart	
CIK Homologation No	022/CH/97
Brand name and type	Sodi Sigma DD2
Tube Diameter	30 mm
Wheelbase	1044 mm
Axle Diameter	50 mm
Brakes	Tekneex
Weight (with engine)	142 kg
Website	www.sodikart.com
Top Speed	135 km/h
MAX Performance	24 kW
MAX Torque	190 Nm (without boost)





ONE WORLD.
TWO FORCES.

ROTAX
RACING

In partnership with
PORSCHE MOTORSPORT

ROTAX RACING x PORSCHE MOTORSPORT CONNECTING THE FOUNDATIONS OF RACING WITH THE WORLD OF AUTOMOBILE RACING.

From the kart track to the GT circuit, the surroundings may change – but the essentials remain the same: the focus before the start, the search for the perfect lap, the fight for every position and the feeling of crossing the finish line.

Rotax Racing and Porsche Motorsport are bringing these worlds closer together. Because every great racing story has a first lap.

THE SAME PASSION. A DIFFERENT ENGINE.

Since 2023, BRP-Rotax and Porsche Motorsport have been bringing together two of the world's leading one-make racing platforms.

While the cars, circuits and stages of competition may differ, the principles behind both racing worlds are remarkably similar: performance, innovation, precision, safety, fairness and a strong focus on the driver.

The partnership goes beyond putting two brands next to each other. It connects two parts of the motorsport world and creates a clear and seamless path for drivers, from their first karting lap to a professional automobile racing career.

FROM COOPERATION TO ACTION

At selected Rotax championships and events, professional Rotax racers can gain access to Porsche-related programs, testing opportunities and special training activities. The aim is to give drivers a closer look at what awaits beyond karting introducing them to the demands and possibilities of car racing plus offering relevant points of contact.

WHAT COMES NEXT?

The vision reaches beyond a single championship or a single season. Rotax and Porsche Motorsport create opportunities for drivers to experience,

understand and explore the next level of racing.

That can mean different things for different drivers:

- tasting a Porsche race environment
- exchanging with Porsche drivers and professionals
- gaining insights into GT racing
- participating in selected tests or training activities
- discovering Porsche's talent-development programmes
- exploring potential routes into Porsche one-make racing

Further details will continue to evolve as the cooperation develops.

What remains constant is the idea behind it: Start with passion. Build your skills. Explore what comes next.



THOMAS PREINING



ROBERT DE HAAN



FROM KARTING TO GT RACING

Karting has long been one of the foundations of motorsport. Many successful professional drivers began their careers in a kart before progressing into cars.

One of the most prominent examples within the Porsche world is Thomas Preining. The Austrian began karting at seven years and competed successfully in Rotax racing, becoming Rotax Junior European Champion in 2014. After moving through Formula 4, he entered Porsche's Junior programme in 2017 and went on to win the Porsche Carrera Cup Deutschland in 2018. He later became a Porsche factory driver and won the 2023 DTM title for Porsche, won the 2026 the 24h in Spa and is the new DTM 2026 champion.

Robert de Haan is another perfect example of where a journey in Rotax karting can lead to. In 2018, the Dutch racer was crowned Junior MAX Champion at the Rotax MAX Challenge Grand Finals in Brazil. Today, he competes with BWT Lechner Racing in the Porsche Mobil 1 Supercup, where he has established himself as a race winner. After taking his maiden Supercup victory in Monaco in 2025, de Haan returned to the top step of the podium at the Red Bull Ring in 2026 – continuing a racing journey that began in karting.

Janne Stiak is one of the latest examples of a young driver making the transition from Rotax karting into the Porsche one-make racing world. In 2022, he became

RMC Germany Senior MAX Champion, finished third at the RMC International Trophy in Le Mans and went on to take sixth place at the RMC Grand Finals.

Moving into Porsche racing in 2023, Stiak quickly continued his development in the Carrera Cup environment. He became Porsche Carrera Cup Middle East Champion in 2025 and today competes in the Porsche Carrera Cup North America with ACI Motorsports, as part of the Porsche Junior Program North America.

These stories illustrate something important: the move from karting to GT racing is not a step out of this world. It is another realistic and accessible stage of learning, adapting and competing on your way from passion to profession.



JANNE STIAK



BE PART OF IT



YOUR CHANCE TO FEEL THE THRILL

As part of the collaboration between Rotax Racing and Porsche Motorsport, this year's RMC Grand Finals brings an exciting opportunity beyond the kart track. While the Rotax family gathers at the Kartódromo Internacional do Algarve, a Porsche Experience Event is taking place at the nearby Formula 1 circuit in Portimão. Together with Porsche, we are offering RMC GF drivers and guests the chance to win a selection of exclusive experiences.

**PORSCHE SIMULATOR
EXPERIENCE**
Minimum age: 12

Put your skills to the test in the Porsche Simulator and experience racing from a different perspective.

Dates: November 08 & 09

TEST A PORSCHE GT4
Minimum age: 18

This time, you take the wheel. One lucky winner will have the opportunity to experience a Porsche GT4 on the Formula 1 circuit.

Date: November 12
Test Drive: 15:50 – 16:20

PORSCHE GT TAXI RIDE
Minimum age: 18

Take the passenger seat in a Porsche GT car and experience the Portimão circuit alongside a professional driver.

Dates: November 10 & 12
Driving time: approx. 10 minutes
Exact times: to be confirmed

**MEET & GREET WITH
JÖRG BERGMEISTER**
Minimum age: 12

Meet Jörg Bergmeister, Porsche Ambassador and one of Porsche's most accomplished endurance racers, for an exclusive Meet & Greet. Jörg Bergmeister is one of Porsche's most successful former factory drivers and a true legend of endurance racing. His impressive career includes victories

at the 24 Hours of Le Mans, Daytona, Spa and Nürburgring, as well as five American Le Mans Series championship titles. After retiring from factory racing in 2019, Jörg continues to represent Porsche as a Brand Ambassador and test and development driver for the Porsche 911, sharing his extensive motorsport experience and passion for racing.

Date: November 7
Time: 14:30 & 15:30



REGISTER NOW

The Porsche Experiences will be raffled among eligible RMC Grand Finals drivers and guests. Please keep in mind that all activities take place at the Formula 1 circuit.

**SCAN THE QR-CODE
FOR MORE INFO AND
REGISTRATION.**





PORSCHE EXPERIENCE

FROM THE FIRST LAPS ON THE RACETRACK TO PROFESSIONAL MOTORSPORT

For more than five decades, the Porsche Track Experience has been offering intense driving experiences on the racetrack. With the structured training programme consisting of four progressive levels – DISCOVER, LEARN, BOOST and RACE – it offers a pathway from initial driving experiences to competitive motorsports. Under the guidance of Porsche certified instructors, participants develop their vehicle control, refine their driving techniques and gain experience on some of Europe's most renowned Grand Prix tracks.

The journey of our customers to enhance their driving skills typically begins at a local Porsche Experience Center or through Track Experience programmes offered locally. Once the required qualifications have been achieved, drivers can progress to the various training formats of the Porsche Track Experience operated by Manthey, held at racetracks across Europe. Participants with equivalent qualifications gained through external programmes can also join at the appropriate level.

Depending on the training format, participants can drive their own Porsche or rent one of the latest Porsche GT road or racecars. As the operator of the Porsche Track Experience, Manthey brings decades of motorsport expertise to the organisation and execution of the events. With its background in professional racing, vehicle development and technical services, Manthey provides support both on and off the track.

FOUR STAGES. ONE CONTINUOUS DEVELOPMENT PATH.

The Porsche Track Experience offers a structured approach to driver development, accommodating different levels of experience and individual motorsport ambitions.

DISCOVER introduces participants to the world of Porsche, combining an introduction to the brand and its sports cars with initial driving experiences.

BOOST builds on these foundations with advanced training on the race-track. From mastering the racing line to understanding the performance characteristics of Porsche GT road and racecars, the focus shifts towards greater independence and consistency behind the wheel.

RACE provides the transition towards competitive motorsport. With race simulations and preparation for obtaining a racing licence, participants gain experience to entry competitive motorsport.

LEARN focuses on developing fundamental driving skills. Through structured exercises and professional instruction, participants improve their precision, vehicle control and understanding of driving dynamics.



The event calendar for the upcoming season is published each autumn or winter. All dates, training formats and further information are available at www.porsche.com/trackexperience.

PORSCHE
EXPERIENCE



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ROTAX

extraordinary performance e-mobility celebration aspiration
ROTAX family
RACE YOUR WAY
power team sportsmanship partnership friends acceleration fairplay
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leisure

IT IS RACING.
IT IS COMPETITION.

BUT THERE IS SO MUCH MORE THAT
MAKES THIS EVENT SO SPECIAL.





A WEEK OF RACING AND PASSION

The 2025 Rotax MAX Challenge Grand Finals brought the worldwide Rotax Family together in the Kingdom of Bahrain for an unforgettable week of racing, celebration and shared passion for karting.

396 drivers from 60 nations travelled to the Kingdom of Bahrain to compete among the world's best Rotax racers and celebrate the champions of the RMCGF. From the youngest Micro MAX drivers to the experienced DD2 Masters, the week delivered intense racing and close battles across eight categories.

But the RMCGF experience extended far beyond the racetrack. One of the highlights was the E10 Mini, which shared the grid with the Mini MAX drivers during the Non-Qualifying Sessions on Monday and Tuesday. Its impressive performance, instant acceleration and Boost Button attracted plenty of attention, with the Mini MAX drivers getting a first-hand experience of the new electric Rotax racing technology.

The event also featured a series of spectacular off-track activities. Red Bull pilot Luke Czeplia took to the skies above BIKC in his CubCrafters aircraft powered by a Rotax engine, delivering an impressive flight show.

On the ground, Abdo Feghali brought the excitement of drifting to the BIKC parking area with a spectacular show. Another special moment was the Simulator Challenge with Christopher El Feghali, the 2022 Mini MAX RMCGF Champion, who has since progressed into international motorsport and now competes in Eurocup-3. His appearance highlighted the journey that can begin in Rotax karting and continue into the wider world of motorsport. Esports World Rally and ACC World Champion Sami-Joe Abi Nakle joined the challenge, also a multiple RMCGF qualifier.

Throughout the week, the circuit was filled with racing, entertainment, friendship and international spirit. Drivers, teams, mechanics, families, partners and fans from around the world came together to celebrate what makes the RMCGF unique.

Bahrain 2025 was more than a race week – it was a celebration of the worldwide Rotax Family and the passion that brings us together.



125 MICRO MAX

- 1. Benjamin Karajkovic
- 2. Bruno Miranda
- 3. Dominic Vera Roa



125 MINI MAX

- 1. Tom Read
- 2. Marc Moia
- 3. Vicente Capela



125 JUNIOR MAX

- 1. Majus Mazinas
- 2. Jacob Ashcroft
- 3. Albie Lapper



125 SENIOR MAX

- 1. Macauley Bishop
- 2. Sean Butcher
- 3. Tom Langlois



125 MAX DD2

- 1. Sem Knopjes
- 2. Jakub Bezel
- 3. David Maslakiewicz



125 MAX DD2 MASTERS

- 1. Martynas Tankevicius
- 2. Charles Seguin
- 3. Gabriel Zughella



E20 SENIOR

- 1. Jannik Jakobs
- 2. Vedant Menon
- 3. Levente Simon



E20 MASTERS

- 1. Maurits Knopjes
- 2. Julian Falivene
- 3. Jorge Matos



NATIONS CUP

- 1. United Kingdom
- 2. Canada
- 3. United Arab Emirates

For more detailed reports, daily updates, race results, pictures, and to explore the full event archive, visit our website at <https://grandfinals.rotax-racing.com>.





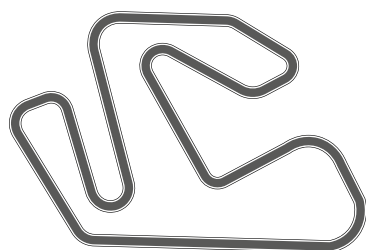


ROTAX

RACING THROUGH YEARS: **RMCGF** **HIGHLIGHTS**

2000

**RACEWAY SPEED PARK
PUERTO RICO
16.-19.11.2000**



66 Drivers from 19 Countries were invited to compete in Puerto Rico. The 125 Senior MAX class chassis of the drivers were shipped to Puerto Rico and prepared by the Rotax team for the race event.

2001

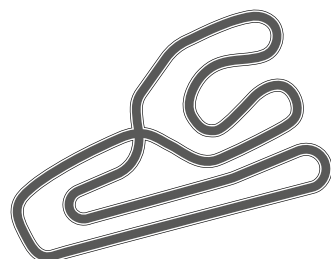
**MORAC
INTERNATIONAL
KARTING CIRCUIT
LANGKAWI, MALAYSIA
24.-27.01.2002**



Another exotic destination: 76 drivers from 29 countries were invited to compete for the title in the 125 MAX class on their own chassis' which were shipped to Malaysia.

2002

**BRIDGESTONE ZWART-
KOPS KART RACEWAY
PRETORIA,
SOUTH AFRICA
15.-19.01.2003**



The brand new kart track was built within 4 months and homologated in December 2002 to be ready to welcome the invited 68 Drivers from 33 nations. The final races were broadcasted by South African television.

A real Nightmare happened: 11 engines of the 68 showed failures and Rotax decided – together with the drivers - to get used engines from the Pretoria area, checked and sealed the engines overnight and continued the racing.



2003

**GHIBLI RACEWAY
SHARM EL-SHEIKH,
EGYPT
20-24.01.2004**

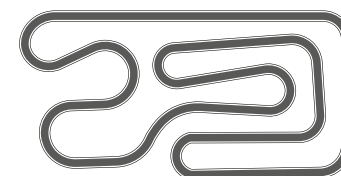


The Junior MAX category was introduced and it was the first time that the chassis manufacturer was providing the chassis. The 22 Junior MAX Drivers were competing on a "single make" chassis by CRG. The 125 Senior MAX drivers raced on their private chassis. In total 90 drivers from 37 countries were invited.



2004

**GRAN KARTING CLUB
TRACK
LANZAROTE, SPAIN
19.-22.01.2005**



For the first time, all competitor raced on supplied "single make" chassis provided by CRG (125 Junior MAX category) or by BRP (for the 125 Senior MAX category). Senior MAX Drivers qualified in their categories in the RMC but raced on an RM1 with a MAX DD2 engine.

100 drivers from 39 countries travelled to the volcano island of Lanzarote.

2005

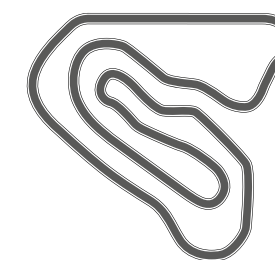
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LANGKAWI, MALAYSIA
22.-26.11.2005**



The 2005 Grand Finals ran three different categories: 125 Junior MAX, 125 MAX and the MAX DD2 (RM1). The event attracted 140 drivers from 43 nations and BRP-Rotax also unveiled the newly designed MOJO tyres on this international platform. Heavy rainfalls influenced the practice sessions.

2006

**KARTODROMO VIANA
VIANA DO CASTELO,
PORTUGAL
14.-18.11.2006**



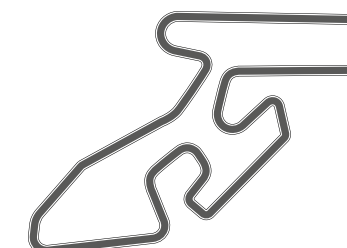
The rainy coast of Viana do Castelo, Portugal hosted the 2006 RMC Grand Finals. 186 participants from 46 countries competed in the 3 categories for the victory.

The weather did not make it too easy for the competitors: on the finals day, the race track partly was even flooded by the heavy rain and it was a game of strategy and luck.



2007

**AL AIN RACEWAY
AL AIN, UAE
26.11.-1.12.2007**



In eight years, the RMC has become the biggest kart racing series in the world and welcomed 214 drivers from 46 countries in the United Arab Emirates. The 3 official categories came up with 5 champions as the Senior MAX and MAX Masters as well as the DD2 and DD2 Masters raced together but were rated separately and all awarded with a trophy.

Chassis Partners: CRG (DD2), Intrepid (Junior and Senior MAX)





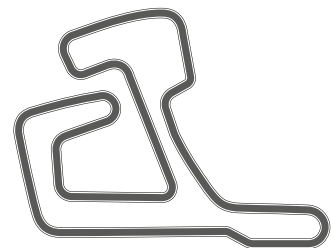
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2008

**LA CONCA RACETRACK
LA CONCA, ITALY
27.-30.11.2007**

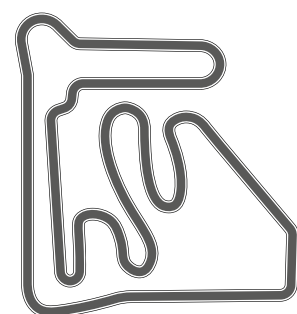


After a violent storm that invested Southern Italy on Friday, more indulgent weather followed on Saturday and Sunday for the 216 drivers from 58 countries.

The Chassis were provided by Zanardi in Junior, Maranello in Senior and CRG in DD2.

2009

**GHIBLI RACEWAY
SHARM EL-SHEIKH,
EGYPT
9.-12.12.2009**

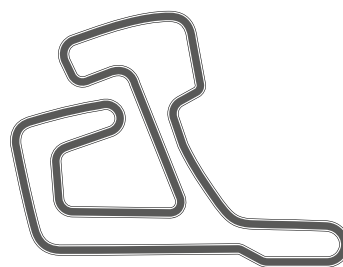


The 10th anniversary of the RMC Grand Finals was celebrated at the Ghibli Raceway with 216 drivers from 57 countries from all five continents. It was the first time that the MOJO Tyre Changing Contest took place.

Chassis Partners: Maranello (Junior MAX), CRG (Senior MAX and MAX DD2)

2010

**LA CONCA RACETRACK
LA CONCA – MURO
LECCESE, ITALY
18.-21.11.2010**

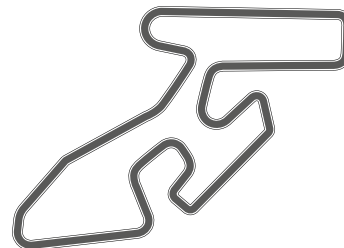


The first time the RMC Grand Finals held 4 different categories and the number of drivers went up to 262 from 60 nations. The introduction of the new single category – the 125 MAX DD2 Masters – allowed for another 36 drivers over the age of 32 to compete for the title.

Chassis Partners: Sodikart (Junior MAX), CRG (Senior MAX and DD2), Haase (DD2 Masters)

2011

**AL AIN RACEWAY
AL AIN, UAE
23.-26.11.2011**



The 2011 RMC Grand Finals went down in the Grand Finals history as the venue which saw former RMC Grand Finals Champions on the podium in all four categories who prevailed against the 265 drivers from 52 countries all over the world.

Chassis Partners: BirelART (Junior MAX), Sodikart (Senior MAX), CRG (DD2), Haase (DD2 Masters)

2012

**KARTODROMO
INTERNACIONAL DO
ALGARVE (KIA)
PORTIMÃO, PORTUGAL
24.11.-1.12.2012**

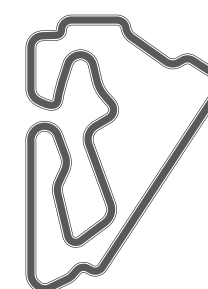


In 2012 the RMC Grand Finals returned to Portugal, but this time to the south of the country – for sure this was a decision to be safe against any heavy rainfalls like we had in 2006. And the weather was perfect for the 276 drivers from 60 countries who competed in the four categories. It was the first time the RMC Grand Finals was broadcasted live on the Internet.

Chassis Partners: BirelART (Junior MAX), Sodikart (Senior MAX), Mach1 (DD2), Haase (DD2 Masters)

2013

**NOLA MOTORSPORTS
PARK
NEW ORLEANS, USA
13.-16.11.2013**

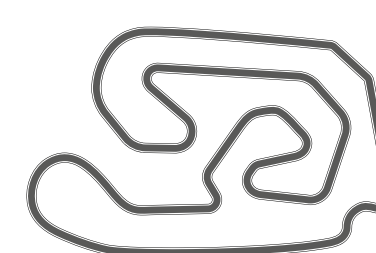


The one and only time, the RMC Grand Finals took place on US-ground and the first time, Micro and Mini MAX Drivers were taking part in an invitational race. In total, the 2013 edition saw for the first time 360 drivers from 52 countries all over the world.

Chassis Partners: Energy (Junior MAX), Sodikart (Senior MAX), CRG (DD2), Praga (DD2 Masters), OK1 (Micro MAX) and Haase (Mini MAX)

2014

**CIRCUIT LUCAS
GUERRERO
VALENCIA, SPAIN
25.-29.11.2014**



The heavy rain in Valencia presented a new challenge for the 320 drivers from 58 countries and their mechanics, as they had to readjust driving styles and chassis setups to stay competitive. In 2014 we also hosted the Micro MAX Festival at the RMC Grand Finals with 43 drivers.

The Chassis Partners: Sodikart (Junior MAX), BirelART (Senior MAX), CRG (DD2), Praga (DD2 Masters)

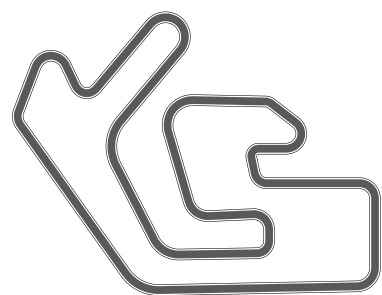




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2015

**KARTODROMO
INTERNACIONAL DO
ALGARVE (KIA)
PORTIMÃO, PORTUGAL
8.-14.11.2015**



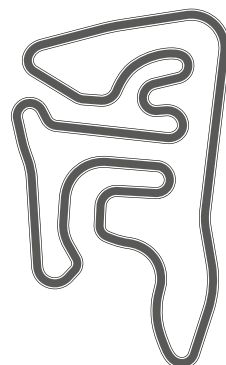
The RMC GF returned to the wonderful Algarve coast with 288 drivers from 52 countries. The RMC Grand Festival was also included which was the opportunity to 36 Micro and 36 Mini MAX drivers to take part at this international level race event. The annual Team contest at the Welcome Party took place for the first time.

Chassis Partners: Praga (Micro and Junior MAX), Sodikart (Senior MAX and DD2 Masters), BirelART (Mini MAX and DD2)



2016

**CIRCUITO
INTERNAZIONALE
NAPOLI
SARNO, ITALY
15.-22.10.2016**



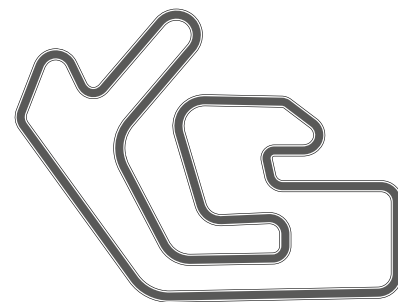
After the decision of the CIK/FIA to allow younger drivers to race outside their home countries, the Micro MAX and Mini MAX classes became a fixed category of the Grand Finals. This raised the number of drivers to 360 who came from 60 countries all over the world.

Chassis Partners: Sodikart (Senior MAX and DD2 Masters), BirelART (Mini MAX and DD2), Praga (Micro MAX and Junior MAX)



2017

**KARTODROMO
INTERNACIONAL DO
ALGARVE (KIA)
PORTIMÃO, PORTUGAL
4.-11.11.2017**



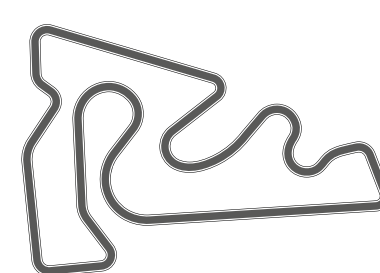
360 drivers from 58 countries followed the invitation to the 2017 RMC Grand Finals. In 2017 the EVA-EMS Racecom race management system was launched together with the Rotax Global App for the drivers. Portimao was furthermore the platform to present the first Rotax THUNDeR e-kart in a demo race with 4 former karting champions.

Chassis Partners: Praga (Micro MAX, Junior MAX), Sodikart (Senior MAX, DD2 Masters), BirelART (Mini MAX, DD2)



2018

**CIRCUITO
INTERNACIONAL
PALADINO
CONDE (PB), BRAZIL
24.11.-1.12.2018**



Boasting the world's greatest elevation change in karting, the Paladino circuit offered drivers both a technical and fast-flowing track. Tropical temperatures, exotic surroundings and an extraordinary track excited 360 drivers from 55 nations, battling a week to win.

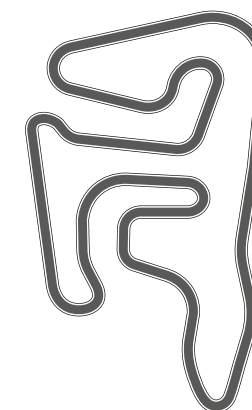
In Brazil, the RMC GF was the first time hosting the e-karting cup FIA-Americas consisting of 14 drivers and organized an extra race of the e-kart championship (DEKM).

Chassis Partners: Praga (Micro MAX and Junior MAX), BirelART (Mini MAX and DD2), Sodikart (Senior MAX and DD2 Masters)



2019

**CIRCUITO
INTERNAZIONALE
NAPOLI
SARNO, ITALY
19.-26.10.2019**



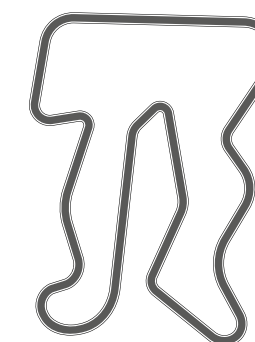
For the 20th anniversary, the RMC Grand Finals returned to Italy, where 360 drivers from 59 countries were competing. In addition, the last race of the German E-Kart Championship (DEKM) took place and the Rotax E20 E-Kart was presented for the first time.

Chassis Partners: Praga (Micro MAX and Junior MAX), Compkart (Mini MAX), BirelART (DD2), Sodikart (Senior MAX and DD2 Masters)

**2020
WAS CANCELLED
DUE TO COVID-19**

2021

**BAHRAIN
INTERNATIONAL
KARTING CIRCUIT
SAKHIR, BAHRAIN
11.-18.12.2021**



Against all Covid-19 difficulties, we managed to organize the 2021 Grand Finals in the Kingdom of Bahrain with 378 drivers from 61 countries. The Rotax E20 became part of the RMC GF. It was the first time that the competitors raced during the day and in the night. Start of the cooperation with Bell.

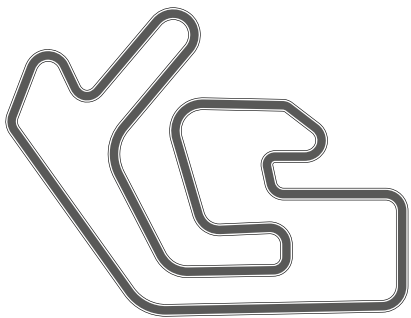
Chassis Partners: BirelART (Micro MAX and DD2), Praga (Mini MAX and DD2 Masters), Sodikart (Junior MAX, Senior MAX and E20)





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KARTODROMO
INTERNACIONAL DO
ALGARVE (KIA)
PORTIMÃO, PORTUGAL
19.-26.11.2022

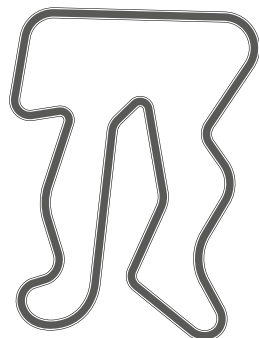


The E20 E-Kart categories for E20 Junior and E20 Senior became part of the event and raised the number of drivers to 394 who came from 61 countries. The new RMC branding was revealed at the RMC GF. The E10 E-Kart was presented in a show-run during the finals day.

Chassis Partners: BirelART (Micro MAX and DD2), Praga (Mini MAX and DD2 Masters), Sodikart (Junior MAX, Senior MAX, E20 Junior and E20 Senior)



2023
BAHRAIN
INTERNATIONAL
KARTING CIRCUIT
SAKHIR, BAHRAIN
02.-09.12.2023

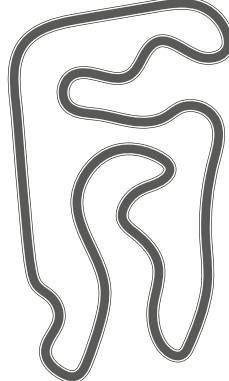


The RMC Grand Finals returned to the Kingdom of Bahrain. This wonderful track offers racing action in daylight and night what creates a very special atmosphere beside the famous F1 Track not only for the drivers. 384 drivers from 62 countries competed during the event week in 8 categories (including 2 E-Kart classes).

Chassis Partners: BirelART (Micro MAX and DD2), Charles Leclerc by BirelART (DD2 Masters), Praga (Mini MAX and Junior MAX), Sodikart (Senior MAX, E20 Senior and E20 Masters)



2024
CIRCUITO
INTERNAZIONALE
NAPOLI
SARNO, ITALY
19.-26.10.2024

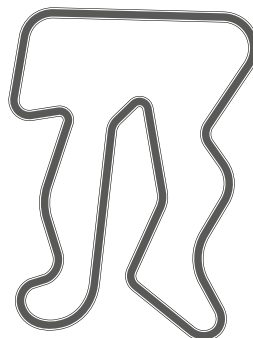


The 25th anniversary of the RMC Grand Finals was celebrated in Italy with 392 drivers from 58 countries. This special edition brought together previous champions from around the world, making the celebration truly unforgettable.

Chassis Partners: Praga (Micro MAX and Junior MAX), Compkart (Mini MAX), BirelART (Mini MAX, DD2), CL by BirelART (DD2 Masters), Sodikart (Senior MAX and E20)



2025
BAHRAIN
INTERNATIONAL
KARTING CIRCUIT
SAKHIR, BAHRAIN
02.-09.12.2023



Once again the RMC Grand Finals delivered world-class motorsport at its finest at the amazing Bahrain International Karting Circuit in Sakhir, Kingdom of Bahrain. 396 drivers from 60 nations gathered to compete in eight different categories. And the Rotax E10 joined the grid at the NQ-Sessions of Mini MAX.

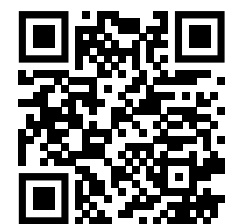
Chassis Partners: BirelART (Micro MAX) Barrichello by BirelART (DD2 Masters), FormulaK by Praga (Mini MAX), Praga (Junior MAX), Sodikart (Senior MAX, E20 Senior and E20 Masters)



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FROM THE KARTING TRACK TO THE WORLD'S MOST EXTREME PROVING GROUNDS

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The relentless pursuit of speed, precision engineering, and split-second control that defines the Rotax MAX Challenge Grand Finals is the exact same spirit that drives BRP across the world's most unforgiving racecourses. Whether it's apexing on smooth tarmac or flying across desert dunes, we share a single, unyielding passion: We are born to race.

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FROM THE FINISH LINE TO YOUR GARAGE

THE PROVING GROUND EFFECT
Winning legendary races isn't just about trophies; it's about engineering evolution.

The extreme off-road competitions of Dakar and King of the Hammers serve as the direct development platform for machines like the benchmark Can-Am Maverick R. The very same platform proven through championship-winning racing directly informs the production vehicles available to riders around the globe.

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2 Weeks. Over 5,000 Kilometers. Pure Endurance.

Widely regarded as the most demanding test of vehicle durability on the planet, the Dakar Rally is a brutal 5,000+ kilometer stage race through the desert. Sanctioned by the FIA alongside Formula 1, Dakar pits the elite of global motorsport against each other.

In this ultimate test of man and machine, BRP's Can-Am has rewritten powersports history.

More Class Wins Than Other Legends:

As a manufacturer, Can-Am has earned more Dakar rally wins than any other UTV Manufacturer.

Unbroken Success: Can-Am has claimed a podium finish in every single Dakar Rally it has entered—including an incre-

dible six consecutive 1st-place victories from 2018 to 2023, continuous podiums in 2024 and 2025, and taking 2nd place overall in 2026.

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KING OF THE HAMMERS CONQUERING THE IMPOSSIBLE

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Where others hit a wall, Can-Am dominates:

3-Year Podium Sweep: Can-Am side-bysides have won 1st, 2nd and 3rd place of the UTV Rock Race for three consecutive years and have claimed 1st place 5 years in a row.

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While you're competing on the track, take a step into the wider world of BRP performance. On-site at the Grand Finals, you'll get up close with our legendary lineup, including:

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Vehicles Available:

Can-Am Origin & Can-Am Outlander MAX Electric

Ask our team at the tent for scheduling and test-ride requirements



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RMC INTERNATIONAL TROPHY – LE MANS

RMCIT Le Mans 2026 - Racing into the night. What a week! The 2026 Rotax MAX Challenge International Trophy once again turned legendary Le Mans into the meeting point of the international Rotax Racing community.

Around 370 drivers from 47 nations came together for six days of intense competition, making the RMCIT one of the biggest and most spectacular events on the Rotax Racing calendar.

And this year, Le Mans delivered something truly special. Extreme summer temperatures forced the schedule to move into the cooler morning and evening hours – transforming the challenge into an unforgettable experience. As daylight disappeared, the floodlights came on and Rotax racing continued into the night. For many drivers, it was their first chance to race under the lights, creating a unique atmosphere worthy of the legendary home of the 24 Hours of Le Mans.

On track, the action was relentless. Close battles, changing conditions and 34 qualifying heats led to an exciting final showdown – with an extraordinary British clean sweep across all six Rotax categories. The victories also secured valuable tickets to the 2026 RMC Grand Finals in Portimão.

The champions celebrated in true motorsport style with a lap of honour in the latest Porsche 911 Carrera GTS Cabriolet – another memorable moment made pos-



sible through the collaboration between BRP-Rotax and Porsche Motorsport.

From the packed grids to racing into the night, Le Mans 2026 had everything: competition, emotion, international friendship and memories that will last long after the chequered flag.

This year, 64,000+ viewers tuned in on YouTube during the International Trophy race week, including 13,000 only for the Finals. The competition on track was again spectacular.

In 2027, the RMCIT returns to the legendary Le Mans where we will witness new champions shine once more at this fantastic place. It's a unique opportunity for drivers to compete with the best Rotax drivers in the world at the second biggest Rotax event in the world. We are waiting to welcome 400 drivers in 2027. It will be amazing!

2027 RMC INTERNATIONAL TROPHY

July 12-17



Le Mans, France



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RMC INTERNATIONAL TROPHY ASIA

In 2027, Macau will host the Rotax MAX Challenge International Trophy (RMCIT) Asia for the second consecutive time on January 21-24 at the Coloane Kart Circuit. The city with a rich, unique motorsport heritage, renowned for being a playground nurturing racing's young talent and witness to many world class drivers, expands the chance to be part of the legacy.

This is the premier global event to secure the first RMC Grand Finals tickets for the year in Mini MAX, Junior MAX, Senior MAX plus the 2-speed DD2 and DD2 Masters. The Micro MAX champion will leave Macau with their free entry ticket to the RMCIT in Le Mans, France. *Prizes to be confirmed

Encouraging international competitors to participate in the RMCIT Asia from within the region and beyond resulted in more than 20 nations represented last January in its maiden appearance at the technical 1,203-metre circuit. The track is definitely one for the drivers; with big elevation and braking zones, banked corners and ample overtaking places to keep the racing intense. Registration is already open to save your place on the start grid at iconic Macau in 2027, with a limit of 32 entries per class, except for Senior MAX fielding up to 64. Event regulations and provisional timetable are available on the official RMCIT Asia website.



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2027 RMC INTERNATIONAL TROPHY ASIA

January 21-24



Macao

RMC ASIA TROPHY

Six rounds from March to September set the stage for the Rotax MAX Challenge Asia Trophy (RMCAT) series in 2027. It's one championship featuring plenty of racing across two countries. Seven Rotax classes make up the program and RMC Grand Finals tickets will be included in the prizes to be allocated. This is where the best of the Asian region go head-to-head with the international competitors for the RMCAT title and the ultimate rewards.

Thailand's Bira Kart in Pattaya on the coast will test the adaptability of the competitors and their technicians over the course of the series, with every track layout offering yet another new

challenge. Malaysia's LYL International Karting Circuit at the Monkeys Canopy Resort close to Kuala Lumpur introduces Asia's largest track to the RMCAT field at 1.5km in length. After four rounds in Thailand, the fifth edition in August takes the championship to Malaysia, before the finale back at Bira.

With a focus on fair competition, building

driver confidence to compete and letting their skills shine on track, season 2027 highlights the sporting aspect at the RMCAT series.



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2027 RMC ASIA TROPHY

Round 1	March 13-14		Bira Kart, Thailand
Round 2	April 10-11		Bira Kart, Thailand
Round 3	May 01-02		Bira Kart, Thailand
Round 4	June 05-06		Bira Kart, Thailand
Round 5	August 07-08		LYL, Malaysia
Round 6	September 04-05		Bira Kart, Thailand



RMC INTERNATIONAL TROPHY SOUTH AMERICA



The 16th edition of the annual championship - now named the Rotax MAX Challenge International Trophy South America, took place in Uruguay on October 6-10, marking the first time as host nation since the event was launched back in 2011 in Colombia. In excess of 155 competitors travelled from ten countries: Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Paraguay, Peru, the United Kingdom and Venezuela, and locally from throughout Uruguay.

Each year this event moves within the region, shared by different nations. The Polideportivo Ciudad at the landmark Mercedes City Sports Complex in South Western Uruguay lived up to the reputation competitors and race fans have come to expect. It was an incredible event. After some thrilling battles in the race

for the titles and the RMC Grand Finals tickets, eight RMCIT-SA champions were crowned. Breaking new ground in the modern motorsport era, the Rotax E10 electric kart made its debut appearance with 12 young drivers competing.

The weather brought some tough conditions, with rain and wind, along with sunshine. It didn't prevent the competitors and fans coming together for a truly memorable experience, creating a positive atmosphere and happy to be there racing. Celebrations continued on with the prize-giving ceremony, where six countries added another driver to their national team when they head to Portimao, Portugal for the RMC GF 2026 from November 07-14.

RMCIT South America 2026 winners: E10 Mini - Rafael Guimaraes (BRA), Micro MAX - Arthur Bowers (GBR), Mini MAX - Rafael Guimaraes (BRA) Champion and Atilio Trovero (ARG) awarded the RMC GF ticket, Junior MAX - Antonio Claro (BRA) Senior MAX - Thiago Falivene (ARG), MAX Masters - Luis Felipe Capamadjian (PER) won E20 Masters RMC GF ticket, DD2 - Tomás Guerrero (COL) and DD2 Masters - José Pedro Passadore (URY).

Continuing the tradition, Brazil has been selected once again to host the 17th edition in 2027.



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2027 RMC INTERNATIONAL TROPHY SOUTH AMERICA

October 05-09



Brazil



RMC EURO TROPHY



Five Rotax classes and four rounds again make up the backbone of the 2027 Rotax MAX Challenge Euro Trophy, a formula that has made the championship one of the most closely followed on the international karting calendar, not least for the stack of Rotax MAX Challenge Grand Finals tickets riding on every race weekend.

Each stop on the Euro Trophy trail still carries its own national RMCET Cup Mini MAX, open to drivers racing under the host nation's flag, in Germany, Belgium, Spain and Italy this year, with the national cup winner at each round punching their ticket to the Grand Finals. Add to this the top three overall in both Junior MAX and Senior MAX, the DD2 champion and runner up, and the DD2 Masters cham-

pion, and the 2027 season will hand out 13 Grand Finals places in total.

The series heads to Germany to open, just over two months on from the Winter Cup, when Prokart Raceland in Wackersdorf welcomes the field back in late April, at a track that has long been a favourite venue of the Euro Trophy tour. From there the paddock crosses into Belgium for round two in mid-May, at the famed Karting Genk, 'Home of Champions', whose demanding 1,360-metre layout has a habit of reshuffling championship form.

Round three brings a genuine newcomer to the calendar for the summer leg: the Circuito Internacional de Zuera, around 28 kilometres outside Zaragoza. Stretching to 1,700 metres, it ranks among the

longest and fastest kart circuits anywhere in Europe, with its Aragonese setting mixing flowing high speed sections and long straights with tighter technical corners. Cremona Circuit then brings the championship home in early September, the same track that launched the 2026 season now switching roles to close out 2027 and crown the year's RMCET champions.

The partnership between the Rotax MAX Challenge Euro Trophy and Porsche Carrera Cup Italia continues into 2027, with Omnia Motorsport again putting up the prize: a test day in the Porsche 992 GT3 Cup at Cremona for the reigning Senior MAX and DD2 champions. Jeremy Reuvers and Jakub Bezel, crowned in those two classes in 2026, were the first drivers to claim it.

2027 RMC EURO TROPHY

Round 1	April 21-25		Wackersdorf, Germany
Round 2	May 19-23		Genk, Belgium
Round 3	Jun 30-Jul 04		Zuera, Spain
Round 4	September 01-05		Cremona, Italy

*Pending confirmation by ASN



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RMC BNL KARTING SERIES



The RMC BNL Karting Series is a long-standing international championship that visits several of Europe's most prominent karting circuits within the region, in both Belgian and France. The team at

Karting Genk, 'Home of Champions' in Limburg province organize the event.

With four rounds scheduled throughout the 2027 season, the signature BNL

double race-day format offers an ideal mix of closely-fought competition and development for the participants. Every weekend the program includes Timed Qualifying, Pre-Finals and Finals on each of the two days. At the end of the series, the title champions are rewarded with their big tickets to compete against the world's leading drivers at the Rotax MAX Challenge Grand Finals.

The spirit of the competition combined with an inviting karting community within the paddock, continues to bring Rotax racing fanatics back to this special series season after season.

2027 RMC BNL KARTING SERIES

Round 1	April 10-11		Ostricourt, France
Round 2	May 15-16		Genk, Belgium
Round 3	August 28-29		Mariembourg, Belgium
Round 4	October 02-03		Genk, Belgium



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RMC GOLDEN TROPHY

The RMC Golden Trophy, being the last big race of the season, is the best way to celebrate and finish an incredible year of racing together.

With plenty of track time and amazing

prizes up for grabs, the RMC Golden Trophy is the perfect way to close out the 2027 season at Karting Genk, 'Home of Champions' in Belgium. The event is open to all competitors and always guarantees to attract many international

entries. Rotax classes include: Mini MAX, Junior Max, Senior MAX and DD2/DD2 Masters. Don't miss your chance to end the year off on a high and secure a place on the start grid!



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2027 RMC GOLDEN TROPHY

October 20-24		Genk, Belgium
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RMC WINTER CUP

For 2027, WSK Promotion moves the RMC Winter Cup to South Garda Karting in Lonato, Italy, pushing the season opener into early February rather than its 2026 January slot. The event's finals, now run on Sunday instead of Saturday, will decide which drivers pocket free entries into both the RMCET and the RMCIT Le Mans later in the year.

Five Rotax classes make the trip to Lona-

to for the curtain raiser: Mini MAX, Junior MAX, Senior MAX and the two-speed DD2 and DD2 Masters, giving every team an early measure of where they stand before the RMC Euro Trophy proper gets underway.

Angelo Corberi designed the facility back in 1988, and South Garda Karting has since grown into one of Europe's leading kart venues. Its 1,200-metre, CIK-FIA ho-

mologated circuit runs roughly 10 metres wide and can seat up to 2,000 spectators in its grandstand; a layout recently refreshed to sharpen the on track action. Tucked into the beautiful Lake Garda area, it lends the opening weekend of the 2027 season a scenic backdrop to match the competitive stakes.

2027 RMC WINTER CUP

February 03-07		Lonato, Italy
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RMC WINTER TROPHY US

Race Rotax takes the season opener back to Florida in 2027 with the RMC Winter Trophy returning to Orlando Kart Center in the USA. The four-round competition that's run over two separate weekends will introduce a new format, which sees the events scheduled one month apart, the third week in January and February. Rotax MAX Challenge Grand Finals 2027 tickets make up just part of the great prizes at the international RMC championship, and are amongst the first to be awarded in the year, attracting strong fields across the categories.

There's also cash to be won at the RMC Winter Trophy as part of a joint prize program with the SKUSA Winter Series.

Each Winter Trophy round pays \$500 to the winner, \$250 for second place, and \$125 for third in every Rotax class. The Winter Trophy champions will win an RMC GF 2027 big ticket to represent their national team at the flagship event. The drivers who finish second and third in the championship will receive free entry and tyres prize packs for the 2027 America's Trophy events. Plus there are extra incentives and added benefits for competitors and teams participating. More info can be found on the Race Rotax homepage.

The program includes practice early in the week, followed by the official timed sessions in the lead up to the double round of racing, with plenty of track



time to get the competition all set for an action-packed full weekend under the Florida sunshine. Orlando Kart Center is ideally situated near to Orlando International Airport, making it easy to travel to the venue.

2027 RMC ROTAX WINTER TROPHY

Rd 1&2	January 22-24		Orlando, Florida, USA
Rd 3&4	February 19-21		Orlando, Florida, USA



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RMC NORDIC CHALLENGE

More drivers. More racing. More excitement!

What a season! Rotax Nordic Challenge celebrated its 10th anniversary in 2026 with a new participation record – 254 drivers from 9 countries joined us for a season full of close racing, exciting

battles and great moments on and off the track.

After many years, the series was back to four rounds, bringing even more racing action to the calendar. From young talents taking their first steps in international racing to experienced drivers fighting for every position, the competition was as exciting as ever.

And we're not slowing down!
Rotax Nordic Challenge returns in 2027

with another four rounds, bringing drivers together for more racing, new challenges and the chance to fight for those most-wanted Rotax MAX Challenge Grand Finals tickets. The dates are set and the venues will be announced soon.

Fast racing, great people and unforgettable weekends – that's what the Rotax Nordic Challenge is all about!

See you on the grid in 2027!

2027 RMC NORDIC CHALLENGE

Round 1	May 28-29	TBC
Round 2	July 09-10	TBC
Round 3	July 23-24	TBC
Round 4	August 20-21	TBC



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RMC CEZ

Since 2019, the CEZ Karting Championship has continued to welcome competitors from many different countries, as a competition that unites national RMC series in the region. This remains the goal for event organisers Roman Jernejc and Martin Müllner.

The CEZ is based on national championships joining together to create a regional

series, while incorporating the individual Rotax MAX Challenges of those countries, and inviting international participants to enter. By encouraging more drivers to join the grid to experience CEZ racing, the level of the competition can ultimately grow. The Rotax categories on the program include: Micro MAX, Mini MAX, Junior MAX, Senior MAX, DD2 and DD2 Masters.

In 2026, host nations included Austria, Serbia, Croatia, Slovenia and Hungary, where each could organise up to two rounds within the CEZ. For the 2027 series, Pista Azzura circuit in Jesolo is the selected venue for Austria's edition in March. It was one of the oldest Italian

tracks, built in 1962 and redesigned in 1985, and considered an icon in international karting.

The CEZ Championship title is reserved for drivers holding a valid national or international licence issued by one of the ASNs belonging to the zone. There are 15 European countries making up the CEZ – Albania, Austria, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Croatia, Czech Republic, Hungary, Kosovo, Macedonia, Malta, Montenegro, Poland, San Marino, Serbia, Slovakia & Slovenia. The FIA-sanctioned series offers a popular Rotax event on the European calendar.



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RMC AMERICA'S TROPHY & US TROPHY FINAL

Race Rotax has shared more details on the remainder of the 2027 Rotax MAX Challenge (RMC) season in the United States. The dates announced include three additional race weekends across two events – the RMC America's Trophy and the RMC US Trophy Final. In total, 10 RMC Grand Finals tickets will be awarded between both of these championships.

The RMC America's Trophy follows the season kick-off at the start of 2027, the RMC Winter Trophy in Orlando, Florida. This four-round series delivers another two adrenaline-fueled weekends of competition in April and June. The season closes with the RMC US Trophy Final, a single standalone weekend at the end of July/beginning of August.

The ticket allocation by class will be announced once the 2027 class structure is confirmed.

Visit to stay up-to-date with all the latest news, venues and registration info



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2027 RMC AMERICA'S TROPHY

Rd 1&2	April 16-18		TBC
Rd 3&4	June 18-20		TBC

2027 RMC US TROPHY FINAL

Jul 30 - Aug 01		TBC
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RMC AFRICAN OPEN

This race event is much more than a competition! It's a celebration of the diverse African karting community.

2027 will mark the 17th edition of the RMC African Open on June 25 - 27, when it returns to the Formula K complex, Benoni. The venue is 38km east of Johannesburg and just 10km from OR Tambo, previously host of the RMC African Open in 2020. This is a national event open to all competitors living on the African continent, inviting international participation.

The promoter of this single event, which

continues to attract competitors from across Africa, is Ed Murray Racing (EMR), the Authorised Rotax distributor for Southern Africa. The 2026 edition also welcomed drivers from Namibia, Mozambique, Zimbabwe, and Kenya, with 140 entries in 7 classes. The weekend was historical as well, when the first electric kart racing on the African continent took place with the Rotax E10, opening a new path for young drivers into the Rotax family.

Racing action is scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, promising an action-packed

two days to ultimately determine the 2027 champions of the RMC African Open. Not only will the titles be confirmed, but drivers can qualify for the season highlight event on the Rotax Racing calendar – the RMC Grand Finals 2027. RMC GF Tickets will be awarded in the Mini MAX, Junior MAX, Senior MAX and DD2 categories, where the winners will have the pride of representing their home country later in the year against the world's top Rotax competitors.



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2027 RMC AFRICAN OPEN

June 25-27		Formula K, Benoni, South Africa
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RMC MENA TROPHY



Following the successful running of the inaugural RMC MENA Trophy, held on October 2-4, 2026 at Al Ain Raceway, the championship returns in 2027 with even greater excitement!

The first edition brought together talented drivers from across the Middle East and North Africa (MENA) and beyond, delivering thrilling racing and crowning champions who earned their rightful places at the Rotax MAX Challenge Grand Finals 2026 in Portimão, Portugal.

Building on this success, the RMC MENA Trophy 2027 will feature two action-packed three-day events, offering drivers the opportunity to compete for qualification to the RMCGF 2027. Rotax Mini MAX, Junior MAX, and Senior MAX will form the core categories, with the final class line-up to be confirmed.

What makes this championship special is its commitment to fair and competitive racing, with Rotax engines randomly allocated through a lottery system and regularly interchanged between competitors to ensure a level playing field, where talent and racecraft make the difference.

The "Nations Cup" classification adds another dimension, bringing drivers together to represent their countries and compete for national pride, celebrating the unity and competitive spirit of the global karting community in the mould of the RMC Grand Finals itself.

2027 RMC MENA TROPHY

Event 1	April 02-04		Al Ain Raceway, UAE
Event 2	April 16-18		Al Ain Raceway, UAE



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DUBAI O-PLATE

One of the highlights of the international karting calendar, the Dubai O-Plate brings drivers from around the world to Dubai Kartdrome in the United Arab Emirates for three days of racing in a prestigious, winner-takes-all showdown. With the coveted O-Plate title and an exciting line-up of prizes up for grabs, every race counts.

This is your chance to compete against an international field and earn the right to carry the prestigious O-Plate throughout the season. Closely aligned with Rotax

MAX Challenge regulations, the O-Plate features multiple Rotax categories, making it an important fixture. Welcoming competitors of all nationalities, from Bambino racers to experienced Senior and Masters drivers, the event brings together emerging talent and established names at one of the region's leading karting venues.

The Dubai O-Plate continues to offer a fantastic opportunity for local competitors to test and develop their own race skills against a strong grid on their home

track, while giving foreign drivers the perfect chance for pre-season training within a professional race environment.

Beyond the track, everyone can enjoy Dubai's brilliant January weather, world-class hotels and outstanding leisure attractions. From beaches and restaurants, to unforgettable experiences, there is plenty for drivers, teams and families to enjoy alongside the racing.

Three days. An international field. One O-Plate winner in each category.

2027 DUBAI O-PLATE

January 22-24		Dubai, UAE
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RMC CENTRAL EUROPE

The Central European Rotax MAX Challenge is one of the most exciting international karting championships of the year which brings together the best Rotax drivers from across Central Europe. Here, leading talents from the region compete for the title and aim for the ultimate prize to represent their own nation at the coveted Rotax MAX Challenge Grand Finals.

In total, five major events in as many countries crown the RMC CE champions and award the big tickets to the RMCGF 2027. The series is open to any nationality, so racers from all around the world are welcome. The Bonus Cup pre-season event kicks off at Jesolo, Italy, as an

excellent warm-up with the top three winning RMC CE entry fee prizes. The first round of the championship follows the next weekend, before the Central European tour continues. The MOJO Cup closes 2027 when it returns to the famous Italian circuit near Venice.

"The season started very strongly. We had two legendary F1 drivers, Mika Häkkinen and Kimi Räikkönen, appear in the paddock because their sons raced in our series this year. Their presence is special because it gives many drivers a strong motivation to perform," said Sándor Hargitai, head of the RMC CE. "Overall, 2026 has been a fantastic championship!"

The RMC Central Europe offers far more than a route to international recognition. It gives our champions the chance to line up with the world's elite when they represent the region at the RMC Grand Finals.

All the main Rotax classes are on the RMC CE program – from Micro MAX to DD2 Masters.



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2027 RMC CENTRAL EUROPE

Bonus Cup	February 26-28		Jesolo, Italy
Round 1	March 05-07		Jesolo, Italy
Round 2	May 07-09		Slovakia Ring, Slovakia
Round 3	June 18-20		Bruck, Austria
Round 4	August 13-15		Trinec, Czech Republic
Round 5	September 17-19		Keckskemét, Hungary
MOJO CUP	November 12-14		Jesolo, Italy



RMC CANADA

Organizing the Rotax Max Challenge in Canada is a major challenge due to the country's vast size. With a distance of more than 5,000 km from the West Coast to the East Coast, this involves long-distance travel for many drivers, teams, supporters and race officials.

Most Canadian clubs include Rotax categories in their racing programs. In addition, there are regional series such as the RMC Ontario and the RMC Quebec, featuring three flagship events: the

Canadian Championships, the Canadian Open, and the Western Final, where tickets for the RMCGF were awarded. For 2026, RMCGF tickets were reserved for Canadian drivers to have a Team Canada composed of drivers from every region of the country.

The RMC Canadian Open took place at SRA Karting in Mirabel, Quebec while the RMC Western Final was hosted by the Calgary Kart Racing Club at Strathmore Motorsports Park in Alberta. This year

also marked by the introduction of the Rotax E-Series in the suburbs of Montreal, Quebec. SH Karting purchased a fleet of ten Rotax power units for the 'arrive and drive' championship fitted to Sodikart chassis. The E-Karts featured on the program at the RMC Canadian Open in July for the history-making debut to start of the new tech series.



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RMC VIKING TROPHY



Be the Viking of Scandinavia.

The RMC Viking Trophy is an international RMC event open to drivers of all nationalities, built around fair competition, strong international grids and the true spirit of Rotax racing. It resonates with a history of highly-competitive racing within the region, now extending beyond

the neighbouring countries. This initiative to strengthen the Nordic karting community allows drivers and technicians to benefit from this excellent opportunity to develop their own skills.

It's more than just a race weekend; the RMC Viking Trophy is a gateway to the

highest level of Rotax competition with a five-day event at the 1,400-metre Vojens Motorsport Arena in Denmark. After the initial practice days, the three-day weekend program picks up the pace. The 'Green Energy' circuit is one of Scandinavia's leading motorsport venues with modern facilities, located near Billund Airport, 45 minutes to Germany and two hours to Hamburg.

There are six Rotax categories featured: Rotax Micro MAX, Mini MAX, Junior MAX, Senior MAX, DD2 and DD2 Masters. 2027 will be the second edition of the RMC Viking Trophy with prizes including entry tickets in all classes to the Rotax MAX Challenge International Trophy Le Mans. Check the official website and social media for updates confirming more details.

2027 RMC VIKING TROPHY

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Vojens, Denmark

DISCOVER MORE RMC EVENTS!

The championships featured here are just a selection of the exciting Rotax MAX Challenge events taking place around the world. From international competitions to regional and national championships and single events, there's even more racing to explore!

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