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Higgs retains title

KART RACING

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It's towards the end of the year when some States have their karting championships.

WA had its championship at the start of last month and SA had its just two weeks ago at Mt Gambier, a town close to the Victorian border. They were similar-sized events, each with well over 200 competitors.

Two West Australian karters attended and both acquitted themselves well. Stephen Scoble, running in the Clubman Light class, was right up there but lost a chain in the final. Much better off was Anthony Higgs, who won the Clubman Super Heavy class.

This was a back-to-back win for Higgs, who won the same class here at WA's recent championships.

One noticeable and satisfying trend that could be seen at both the events was the increasing numbers of karters, particularly in the Midget and other Junior classes. This augurs well for the senior classes in the future.

As with WA's recent State championships, the event was well organised and the weekend ran smoothly. It was a credit to the hardworking Mt Gambier club.

The main difference between the event in WA and Mt Gambier was the fact that the track was green right up to the track edges, unlike our sandy conditions.

There was a price for the green grass, however, it was cold, no, ... read very cold, made more uncomfortable by intermittent rain.

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Anthony Higgs takes another Clubman Super Heavy victory. Picture: www.snapshotsa.com