

TONY KART RACING TEAM

2007 CIK-FIA WORLD KARTING CHAMPS
FOR DRIVERS & WORLD CUP FOR KF2



TONY KART RACING TEAM WORLD CHAMPION - MARCO ARDIGO'!

On the circuit in Mariembourg, our Team lived another unforgettable day gaining the well-deserved World Championship thanks to Marco Ardigò.

During qualifying our Drivers lay the foundation for the victory: Gary and Marco literally flew round the track and monopolized the timing list. Catt scored immediately a magnificent and unreachable 53"530, followed by the 53"595 scored by Marco in the second qualifying round.

In the rounds Gary gets no penalties and wins three times, he gets pole position for the pre-final. Marco is only stopped by Catt and by Sauro Cesetti (Birel-Iame-Bridgestone).

The starting grid of the final is decided at the beginning of the prefinal: at the starting-signal Marco, on the outside of the track, sprang very fast and drove to the finishing line in front of the Team-mate Gary.

Behind the green drivers, immediately arrive the blue-cousins of the Kosmic Team, Niko Bollingtoft and Bailly, followed by the other Tony Kart English driver James Calado.

The result of the final was the decided at the start: Marco is perfect and goes away very fast imposing an incredible rhythm, impossible to be reached by the competitors. Gary loses two positions and he is obliged to display his determination in order to recover and get back to his second position. Our English driver overtakes Kozlinski at first (Crg-Tm-Bridgestone) and then Bollingtoft (Kosmic-Vortex-Bridgestone),

The race was an amazing fight through fastest laps between Marco and Gary, the competitors cannot keep the rhythm and Marco takes the chequered-flag. With all the green on the podium, we also have our Team Manager Giacomo Aliprandi, completing the success of a Team in which the harmony of the group and the organisation are some of the most important features.

Not so lucky were our Drivers in the KF2 class: the performances of the European Champion Will Stevens was good, but an ill-fated failure stopped our Driver when he was ready to get the front line.

Through these troubles, in the final, Will recovered from the back-lines and demonstrated what a fantastic driver he is. We realise Will's potential and look forward to next season as we give him the opportunity to drive in KF1 with our Official Team.

The title in KF1 is the seal of a season that gave us unforgettable satisfaction, giving us also a push to go on with the intense job of research and development.

Giacomo Aliprandi - Team Manager of Tony Kart Racing Team

"In this week-end everything worked perfectly, we know that things are not always ok and the others are not there just to look so it's very important that we won. It has been a great satisfaction having won this World Title, after the job we made finally we got the results. This is a great result for the Team, Marco was absolutely good, but all the Team demonstrated to work properly."



Marco Ardigo - driver Tony Kart Racing Team - KF1 WORLD CHAMPION

"I cannot realize that I have just conquered the Title that I have always been pursuing..."

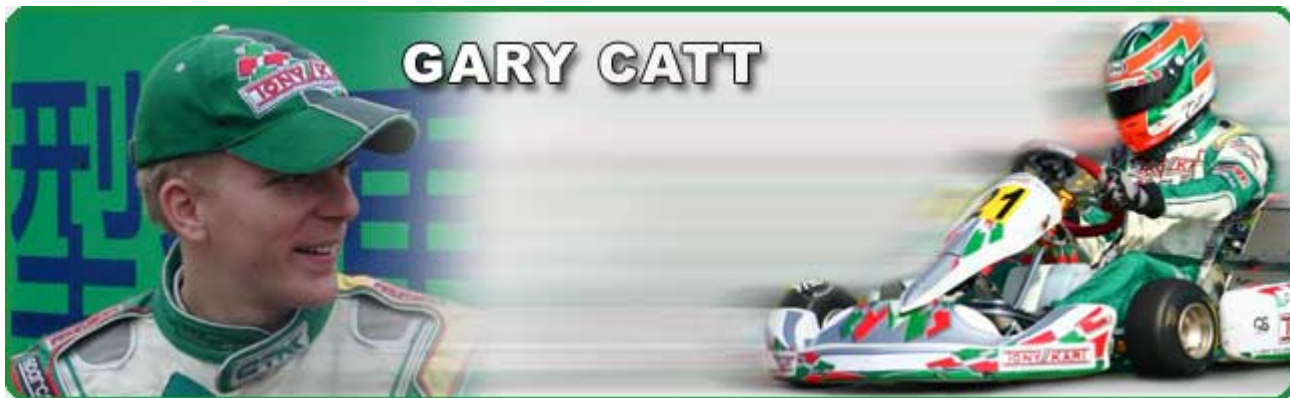
This Title is very important to me, not only because this is my first World Championship, but also because it is the first Championship with the new engine, KF1, very important for Tony Kart and Vortex, as well.

As I said, I am particularly happy for the Team, but for sure my personal satisfaction is really great!"

You have been at the top during the whole Final; did you work hard to keep the gap you gained from your team-mate?

"I pushed hard during the whole race, never giving up; I didn't want Gary to reach me.

This is a World Championship and none of us, between Gary and me, wanted to give in. Gary is a very fast driver and the Team put us in the condition to compare ourselves, with the same material, also in the occasion of this important event and, in the end, we made a wonderful race... Now, I want to celebrate!"



Gary Catt - driver Tony Kart Racing Team KF1 class

"If, before arriving in Tony Kart, someone had told me that one day in my life I could catch this result, I could not believe it. I am very happy but, you know, when you arrive second you feel some bitter flavour in your mouth. From yesterday, we were very fast in each round and on Friday we were fast too, so I thought I could have won, but at the end the result was a second place. I think this is a fantastic result for me and for all the Team: Marco really did a great job winning both the prefinal and the final, I tried to follow him but he faced the race without any problem. I think that it is an immense joy for him today, we two, we all gave our best and he is the World Champion!"

What will you do in the future?

"I think that I will always stay with Tony Kart: I learned a lot in these last three years. I am 26 years old and I am old for a Kart Driver: even so, I am still learning a lot and improving day by day. I personally think that the Team gave me a lot since the beginning. I hope to stay here with the Team until the moment I retire from racing."

Tony Kart Racing Team 2007

KF1 Class:	Marco Ardigò	#4	- I
	Tomoki Nojiri	#36	- J
	James Calado	#37	- GB
	Gary Catt	#38	- GB
	Francesco Antonucci	#39	- I
	Fabiano Machado	#55	- BR
KF2 Class:	Will Stevens	#101	- GB
	Antonio Felix Da Costa	#112	- Por