



Letter to Members – Briggs & Stratton Engine Spec Update December 2018

Hi all,

For those not present at the TEKA presentation night the committee made an announcement about our engines for 2019.

From the feedback we received from our letter outlining the LO206 with Inferno clutches versus the current Briggs Animal/Noram clutch configuration we have decided to leave all as is for 2019.

The response to not change to the LO206 in 2019 was overwhelming, with many teams wanting to remain with the current Animal/Noram set up. This was either stated in a direct “no”, or with many not wanting to have any type of open gearing with the LO206.

If we were to swap to the LO206, with the reduced rev range, we couldn’t simply have one gear to suit all as we do now. The heavier teams would be disadvantaged especially on tracks with gradient changes. The teams who did vote to move to the LO206 wanted the gearing to be fixed.

What the committee plan to do is to continue to run kart 49 for all of 2019 using the LO206/Inferno combination to gather as much information on gearing and clutch settings as possible to introduce the new combination for 2020.

This is a change that in some ways is inevitable. The Animal engine is now only a very small production run for Briggs and its days are numbered. This combined with the fact that two other classes alongside TEKA are using the LO206/Inferno combination means that we are missing out on the opportunity of drawing new members and teams from these series. Obviously if all three series use the same combination, we can all swap and share between us.

If possible TEKA will have a second kart fitted with the LO206/Inferno combination available for members to have a drive of during Friday or Saturday practice sessions to sample the difference for themselves and provide feedback.

The only thing I would like to ask of you is for Kart 49 to give up an entire year for testing for the series that the team still earns championship points. This is to keep us motivated and to show the difference between the two engine set ups over a year of racing. Also, after spending all that money to run a kart for a season it would be good to at least have points to show for our effort. We will be in no way advantaged running the LO206. It is highly likely we will be disadvantaged at every track.



Please get back to me with any concerns on this matter.

Have a great Christmas and New year and I look forward to seeing all your sparkling new sticker kits in 2019.

Thank you.

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