



John Mitchell
President
Quarter Midgets of America

I hate to have my second letter on the website deal with this issue, but I feel it is something that must be addressed. I know the great majority of our members are good and upstanding citizens of the QMA community, and for those of you that know how to conduct themselves, I apologize for this letter. However, over the past weeks, there seems to be an increase in the number of Code of Conduct violations. I am not sure of the reasons for this, but I am sure of my response. IT HAS TO STOP IMMEDIATELY!

From myself and the rest of the National Board down through the Regional Directors and to our individual club presidents, there will be ZERO tolerance for bad behavior. There is just no room for it in a children's sport. I am sure we have all heard of the dad who murdered another dad over a dispute in a children's hockey game. It has not gotten that bad here... and I never want it to.

Maybe you are the family who is in QMA for the hobby and will only race local club races. Maybe you are the family who runs every single weekend, at every big race and every Grand National. Either way, bad attitudes need to be checked at the pit gate. ALL of us should be at the track to have an enjoyable experience with our kids, family, and friends, whether the small time hobbyist or the most dedicated of racer.

If you think that you cannot handle your emotions, lose your temper and will break the code of conduct **STAY HOME!**

If you think you are going to yell at the judges, or the flagger, **STAY HOME!**

If you think you are going to rush the tower with a bad attitude **STAY HOME!**

If you are coming to the races to have an enjoyable day with your family, race hard, try and win and hone your racing skills. **PLEASE COME!**

This has been and always will be a youth oriented family sport. The best memories of my childhood are at Quarter Midget tracks and events. I want the same for my children AND for each and every child in QMA. I cannot and will not condone bad, reckless or poor behavior at the track. WE the members of QMA cannot have it. Please join with me to make this sport the family sport it always has been and should continue to be.

Drive fast... turn left...

John Mitchell