



PF International MSA and ABkC Championships Round 1

Many very favourable comments have been received after the British Championship competitors were exposed to the new look Super One. The local club had also made improvements with a paddock WiFi intranet for live timing.



A sunny Sunday morning merged into a cloudy afternoon, with a chill in the air, but thankfully dry throughout. Alex Gill stole a march on his rivals with two Cadet wins, whilst the KF3 finals were shared between Sennan Fielding and Alexander Albon. Jake Dennis' pair of seconds brought him the points lead. Jake Ball seemed to have the best strategic setup in KF2, taking both finals. In KF1, Jordon Lennox-Lamb capitalised on the lack of pace by the other fancied runners, both wins his and off to a great start to the season.

B4/Renault Elf MSA British Kart Championship for KF1

Qualifying: Robert Foster-Jones (43.98s), Ben Cooper, Richard Bradley

Heat 1: Mark Litchfield, Cooper, Elliot Burton

Heat 2: Cooper, Bradley, Foster-Jones



KF1 Double winner Lennox-Lamb
Images courtesy www.kartpix.net

Final 1: Once Cooper had leapfrogged Bradley, he opened a healthy lead only for his engine to seize. Bradley fell to 4th when Lennox-Lamb shot up his inside for 2nd which became the win. After

an engine failure in a heat, Litchfield could only make 6th.

Results Final 1: Lennox-Lamb, Foster-Jones, Bradley, Burton, Lee Bell

Final 2: A frantic start saw Litchfield taking a long grassy trip, and Bobby Game trapped in the train of karts and spinning. Lennox-Lamb tracked Bradley for much of the race before moving ahead when Bradley began to suffer a lack of grip. Cooper brushed Lee Bell aside and was initially excluded but won his appeal. However Bell is appealing that decision to the National Court.

Provisional Results Final 2: Lennox-Lamb, Cooper, Bradley, Litchfield, Jonathan Walker

B4/Renault Elf MSA British Junior Kart Champs for KF3

Qualifying: Albon (45.14s), Callum Bowyer, Alex Walker

Heat 1: Albon, Sennan Fielding, Paul Hardy

Heat 2: Fielding, Walker, Macaulay Walsh

Heat 3: Walker, Walsh, Jake Dennis

Repechage: Jack Vanderpump, Ben Barnicoat, Aaron Sherlock, Roy Johnson

Final 1: As poleman Walker was pinched into a spin by Fielding, the latter went onto enjoy a lights to flag victory. Dennis leapfrogged Walsh and closed up on Fielding.

Results Final 1: Fielding, Dennis, Walsh, Sam Blake, Albon

Final 2: Alex Albon outwitted the dicing Dennis, Fielding and Walsh to snatch the lead. Walker made an amazing recovery from last to 3rd whilst Dennis harried a defensive Albon hard on the closing lap.

Results Final 2: Albon (below), Dennis, Walker, Fielding, Walsh



B4/Renault Elf ABkC KF2

Qualifying: Shaun Carter (44.48s), Jake Ball, Josh Fielding

Heat 1: Ball, Jordan Chamberlain, Carter

Heat 2: Chris Lock, Carter, Alex Lynn

Heat 3: Fielding, Ball, Tom Joyner

Final 1: Fielding was squeezed out of 2nd but fought back to that same position after Ball had taken the squabbling Bonsey and Carter in one swift move for the win.

Results Final 1: Ball, Fielding, Bonsey, Carter, Chamberlain

Final 2: Chamberlain was tagged into a spin at the start, joined by Carter and Gary Edwards. Fielding took the lead but briefly from Ball, succumbed to Bonsey before Ball came good again. Ashley Sutton, aided by fresher tyres, made an amazing recovery drive from last to second.

Results Final 2: Ball (pictured below), Sutton, Napier, Mackenzie Taylor, Bonsey



ABkC Formula Cadet

Qualifying: Rory Cuff (53.23s), Max Vaughan, Sam Webster

Heat 1: Cuff, George Russell, Alex Gill

Heat 2: Gill, Josh White, Vaughan

Heat 3: TJ Nelson, Sam Vanderpump, Russell

Final 1: A few laps in, Gill deposed Russell for the lead, the pair drawing clear of the rest. Josh White came out on top of a battle with Vanderpump, the latter falling to 8th after Webster and others drafted past at turn one.

Results Final 1: Gill, Russell, White, Webster, Harry Woodhead

Final 2: Gill was knocked off his perch by Nelson, but recovered strongly to win again when he pulled the switchback on the dicing Russell and White. Nelson was tagged by Russell when he backed out of a move on the lead and



Webster went for a flying lesson, falling to 7th.

Results Final 2: Gill, White, Russell, Matthew Graham, Woodhead



Alex Gill on the grid

Ash Crossey was excluded. In Extreme Tom Oliphant took advantage of the front row pair's woes whilst Ryan Cole recovered well for 2nd from a heat mishap. Carly Latcham replicated her 2008 junior win in Senior 4-stroke after Michael Rich lost his chain. In the junior category, William Thomas led a fairly processional final. Daniel Ticktum was a delighted Honda Cadet winner.

Trent Tales

Series Clerk of the Course Rod Taylor says he will not be tolerating the too fast start speeds that seemed to be the norm at PFI. He also said there was far too much weaving to warm up tyres on the formation laps. Expect a crackdown!

The tyre changing contest was again won by Shaun Carter, with an improved time of 39.6 seconds, but Scott Chaney ran him close.



The organisers had arranged for Unipro to bring their clutch-checking data-loggers (above) and all competitors agreed to their use. George Gamble was the only driver found in contravention. He appealed without success, but it delayed their second final to last.

The next MSA round is at Shenington on 9/10 May.

Roundups

TKM Rnd 1 @ Fulbeck

Oliver Hodgson dominated Junior TKM, with Daniel Burton storming through to 2nd, whilst 3rd placed