

MERCEDES BENZ INKART CHAMPIONSHIP 2010 ROUND 2 SUNDAY 28TH FEBRUARY

Another end to the month and another InKart round saw this years championships continue to grow in popularity and performance. With more newcomers eager to test to new InKart format, there were chances for everyone to score some early season points.

Cadet Class (A + B)

With 8 cadets in total today, the decision to implement the combined A and B class race was enforced, giving the drivers a full grid to compete against. Qualifying saw Ishola Finni take pole in the closing minutes of the session, with Tom Geaney lining up alongside on the front row. An early opening lap incident in Race 1 saw Elliot Lloyd left trailing after unfortunately being squeezed into a spin as three drivers went for one line out of the first hairpin. A strong midfield battle saw Jamieson head up a three way fight for 4th with Robert Tyrer and Aaron Walsh, with just a second covering the three after the 30 laps. Ishola was unchallenged throughout winning by 4.1s for Race 1.

Once again Ishola and Tom would lead the pack behind the pace kart for Race 2. A textbook rolling start saw Ishola choosing to sprint at full speed rather than jump the pack. The red flags went out on lap 6 after Aaron Walsh took a knock at the top hairpin. He soon recovered as the race restarted with another well observed lap under yellows before the green flags. Ishola was caught napping slightly as Tom Geaney closed the gap to put Ishola under intense pressure for the remaining 20 laps, with both matching each others laptimes of around 24.6s. Aaron Walsh would receive a black flag after tagging Robert Tyrer on the inside line on lap 12. Ishola held off Tom's late surge to make it two wins from two and complete and excellent mornings racing.

Position	A CLASS	BestTime Of Event	Race 1	Race 2	Total
1	Ishola Finni	24.446	15	15	30
2	Tom Geaney	24.470	12	12	24
3	Lewis Hughes	24.945	10	10	20
4	Robert Tyrer	24.999	9	9	18
	B CLASS				
1	Jamieson Pomeroy	24.987	15	15	30
2	Elliot Lloyd	24.769	9	12	21
3	Aaron Walsh	24.757	12	9	21
4	Kallum Mcbride	25.017	10	10	20

Junior Class

Daniel Hutchinson and Jay Goodwin were welcomed to the Junior class for their InKart debuts, and wasted no time getting into the action on Qualifying. Adam Tomkins went quickest, holding provisional pole throughout the 8 minutes. Adam and Jason Bagnall got away from the grid quickly at the start of Race 1, while Euan Davies made up early positions going from 9th to 7th. Liam Campbell was pressing Jason for 2nd, allowing Adam to remain unchallenged. Connor Woodyatt was caught off guard by Jay Goodwin, who took 5th after Connor locked up at the hairpin, before recovering quickly to re-take 5th on lap 12. With the back markers coming into play in the closing stages, Adam was able to successfully negotiate his way past without losing time, therefore holding on to take the opening win.

Race 2 saw Adam also use the sprint tactic behind the pace kart, confident in his ability to speed away from the pack. Liam Campbell did his best to keep Adam within his sights, but was unable to challenge closely, in an uneventful 30 laps that saw Adam take a routine second win of the day.

Position	RacerName	BestTime Of Event	Race 1	Race 2	Total
1	Adam Tomkins	24.415	15	15	30
2	Liam Campbell	24.516	10	12	22
3	Jason Bagnall	24.713	12	8	20
4	Connor Woodyatt	24.570	8	10	18
5	John Gwyneth	24.715	9	9	18
6	Euan Davies	25.081	6	7	13
7	Jay Goodwin	24.823	7	4	11
8	Daniel Hutchinson	25.114	5	6	11
9	Mark Ashton	25.276	4	5	9

Senior Class

More newcomers were in attendance as the senior class got the mornings action under way. Mark Guest and Colin Samuel were keen to mix it with 8 other drivers, all buoyant after an exciting opening round in January. In Qualifying, Dwayne took pole position, responding in the last few laps, after Aaron McManus had briefly snatched the lead. Aaron didn't get the best start from the grid dropping from 2nd to 5th, as Michael Lawes moved through to challenge Dwayne for the lead. Aaron would receive a warning, after contact pushed Adam Bach wide before Aaron retreated to allow Adam to retake his position as to avoid receiving a black flag. In the closing laps, a squeeze through the backmarkers prevented Michael challenging Dwayne, as he took the opening win by 2s.

Race 2 saw Michael led the rolling start, as he used his position to bunch the pack before launching away at the final corner. Some early lap incidents saw the order change, with Dwayne dropping to 5th and Adam Bach up to 2nd. Dwayne rapidly made offensive moves to slice his way through the order and back to 2nd just in time on lap 27 with some expert overtakes. Philip Mossdrop tried to follow through from 4th, but Adam held firm to take a deserved 3rd place finish. With Michael taking a first Inkart race win, therefore matching Dwayne's finishing position, Michael was awarded the round 2 win on best laptime.

Position	RacerName	BestTime Of Event	Race 1	Race 2	Total
1	Michael Lawes	24.759	12	15	27
2	Dwayne Marsden	24.783	15	12	27
3	Adam Bach	24.901	10	10	20
4	Aaron Mcmanus	24.690	9	8	17
5	Philip Mossdrop	24.728	8	9	17
6	Adam Clayton	24.850	7	6	13
7	Ryan Welch	24.754	4	7	11
8	Colin Samuel	25.210	6	5	11
9	Matthew Mclachlan	25.151	5	3	8
10	Mark Guest	25.708	3	4	7

So another strong showing all round from every driver made Round 2 an excellent display of racing, and another exciting spectacle for all supporters.

Round 3 takes place on Sunday 28th March

Please don't forget the clocks go forward on this weekend, so please check your arrival time closely!

Junior Class 8.30 arrival

Senior Class 9.15 arrival

Cadet Class 9.45 arrival

Remember bookings must be made by 6pm Saturday 27th March!

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