

MERCEDES BENZ INKART CHAMPIONSHIP 2010 ROUND 6 SUNDAY 27TH JUNE

The Mercedes Benz Inkart Championships reached the mid summer round, which marks the halfway point of the season, with drivers at the top of the table eyeing up their title run-in, alongside more new faces on the starting grids.

CADETS

* All Drivers – A change in format will be made, starting from July’s Inkart round to avoid the scenario with competition numbers that currently arises. A and B classes will remain, and no change will be made to current point standings. Drivers will be fully advised before the next round.

A-Class

Elijah, Tom and Ishola would give it their all in a 3 way fight for today’s A-Class points. Elijah took pole from Qualifying, with Ishola getting a better run into turn one past Tom, who started from the unfavourably second position on the grid. Elijah sprinted into an early lead, as Ishola was forced to concentrate on staying in 2nd rather than advancing past Elijah, who completed the 30 laps 8.9s ahead of Ishola and Tom in 3rd.

Race 2 followed a similar pattern, only with Ishola and Tom exchanging positions. A last lap lunge by Ishola to knock Tom from 2nd was reprimanded by Race Control, who awarded the position and points to Tom.

Position	Name	Best Time Of Event	Race 1	Race 2	Total
1	Elijah Montaque	24.179	15	15	30
2	Ishola Finni	24.472	12	10	22
3	Tom Geaney	24.511	10	12	22

B-Class

Recent Daytona Race School graduates Jordan Cain and Ben Walker lined up alongside this season’s other rookie’s in a keenly contested morning of cadet racing. It didn’t take long for events to unfold. An early black flag on lap 1 for Dylan Robson for an inside dive at turn 3 proved costly for his early efforts. At the front Elliot Lloyd was showing raw pace to lead from Aaron Walsh. Into the closing stages, and with the blue flags on standby, Aaron’s eagerness got the better of him, as he approached Jordan to lap his kart at the final corner. With Jordan caught slightly unaware of Aaron’s position, the two karts became entangled, costing Aaron two positions. He responded well in the closing laps, cutting the gap to Kallum in 3rd before overtaking on the final lap at the hairpin. Kallum responded fiercely, determined not to be denied a good finish. Some minor nudges at the final corner couldn’t find him a way past, as Aaron claimed 3rd, with Elliot taking the Race 1 win ahead of Jamieson Pomeroy in 2nd.

Race 2 put Elliot at the front of the rolling start, with Aaron eager to chase from 2nd. A few early sighters did little to disturb Elliot, who by half race distance was 2.0 seconds ahead, and lapping at 24.4s. Jamieson and Kallum joined in to make it a competitive finish all the way to line, with Elliot making it 2 from 2, winning by 5.2s.

Position	Name	Best Time Of Event	Race 1	Race 2	Total
1	Elliot Lloyd	24.413	15	15	30
2	Aaron Walsh	24.434	10	12	22
3	Jamieson Pomeroy	24.822	12	9	21
4	Kallum Mcbride	24.759	9	10	19
5	Jordan Cain	25.044	7	8	15
6	Ben Walker	25.236	8	6	14
7	Dylan Robson	25.180	6	7	13

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Drivers did well to avoid making Turn 3 a parc-ferme situation, with everyone just squeezing through the opening corners. Adam Tomkins led from pole, with the closest contest on track being for 6th between Daniel Hutchinson and Connor Woodyatt. Daniel slipped up on the blue flags as the race leaders came round to lap, allowing Connor to make a legitimate overtake. There was little other action, with blue flags keeping leaders clear to the finish line, with Adam winning by 4.8s from John Gwyneth and Liam Campbell in 3rd.

Another clean rolling start saw a good run into the first corner for all drivers, with 2nd to 6th positions going nose to tail. The blue flags in the closing stages created space and split the pack, but caused no change in the order. With a clear track to attack, Adam was sprinting away, and nudging very close to his own track record. On lap 30 as he crossed the chequered flag, he also clocked a new record of 24.029, shaving 5 hundreds off the previous record.

Position	Name	Best Time Of Event	Race 1	Race 2	Total
1	Adam Tomkins	24.029	15	15	30
2	John Gwyneth	24.602	12	12	24
3	Liam Campbell	24.555	10	9	19
4	Connor Woodyatt	24.455	7	10	17
5	Jason Bagnall	24.455	9	8	17
6	Luke Gore	24.408	8	7	15
7	Mark Ashton	25.024	5	5	10
8	Daniel Hutchinson	25.093	6	4	10
9	Jake Hughes	25.613	4	6	10

Seniors

All senior drivers continued their impressive seasons, putting on another show of positive driving. An early lap 1 exchange between Michael Lawes and Philip Mosscrop set up an intriguing battle. Aaron McManus was on the offensive, but maybe would be left regretting his attacking style as it cost him 2 places, after an opportunistic lunge at the hairpin. He would be left chasing Michael and Philip in another competitive midfield sprint. Leading the way, Dwayne Marsden was untroubled throughout to claim the Race 1 win.

Race 2 saw Dwayne back the pack up to a snails pace for the rolling start, but didn't maybe get the advantage he had hoped for as Michael timed his acceleration well to keep close in the opening laps. Race 2 saw little action, although everyone was lapping impressively, possibly targeting their own lap record and the coveted prize of breaking the 23s barrier. Dwayne made it another maximum point day, winning by 2.6s from Michael, but just missing out on his own PB.

Position	Name	Best Time Of Event	Race 1	Race 2	Total
1	Dwayne Marsden	24.169	15	15	30
2	Adam Bach	24.423	12	10	22
3	Michael Lawes	24.291	9	12	21
4	Adam Clayton	24.255	10	9	19
5	Philip Mosscrop	24.563	8	8	16
6	Aaron Mcmanus	24.704	7	7	14
7	Ryan Welch	24.828	6	6	12
8	Colin Samuel	24.781	4	5	9
9	Mark Wright	25.058	5	4	9

So another month completed and another top class performance from all competitors. With the temperatures remaining high, the holy grail of being the first to break into a 23s lap time will be an interesting side story before next month's Round 7.

Round 7 – Sunday 25th July Arrival Times

All Cadets 8.30am
Juniors 9.15am
Seniors 9.45am

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