



## Formula Bambino Round 4 - Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2012

Proceedings started at 9am with a quick welcome to all drivers for round 4 of the 2012 season of formula bambino championship. This round we had 7 drivers which meant a grand total of 4 heats of 3-4 drivers per heat.

Heat 1 – saw Jonathan, Michael, Sam and Jacob take to the track for the first heat of the day. It was Jonathan who set the early pace with a 31.596 after just 4 laps, Sam was only 0.889s sec off the lead pace. Jonathan soon got into the 30sec mark; Sam continued to take time out of Jonathan improving his time every lap. Michael and Jacob had a good battle going on for 3<sup>rd</sup> place with only 1/10<sup>th</sup> second between them. After 12 laps Jacob managed to jump Michael into 3<sup>rd</sup> place with a 32.263 but then the next lap round Michael came straight back with a 31.418s. Michael had a little moment on the bridge but managed to get himself going by the time the marshal got over to him. On lap 24 Jonathan set a lap time of 30.390, following that up the next lap with a 30.157s, Sam must have sensed Jonathan was going quick and set a 30.817s. As the clock counted down it was Jonathan who went on to take the heat win with his very respectable time of 30.157s.

Heat 2 – was the first outing of the day for Mackenzie, Mark and Ethan. It was Ethan who set the early pace with a 31.861s, as the laps continued his time kept having 10ths shaved off, on lap 7 Mackenzie put in a quick lap of 31.152s, after just 9 laps there was only 0.809s separating all the drivers, in the mid part of the heat the drivers really started to settle into the groove, on lap 13 Mark found some extra beans setting a 31.474 putting him just 0.322s behind Mackenzie, with 6 minutes to go the drivers were only separated by 0.427s, the times continued to stay as they were for the next few laps with no one managing to better their times. On lap 18 Mackenzie managed to set a 31.030s opening up his lead over mark in second place to 0.444s. On lap 21 Ethan managed to better his time with a 31.432s, meaning the gap between all three drivers was down to just 0.433s. As the chequered flag fell it was Mackenzie who managed to hold on and take the win with his best time of 31.030s

Heat 3 – saw Mark, Jacob, Jonathan and Michael take to the track for their second session of the day. Michael burrows set the early pace setting a 31.195 after just 2 laps, Jacob jumped up into second with a 31.467s closely followed by Jonathan with a 31.753s, after 8 laps Jonathan managed to leap frog Jacob to take second place with a 31.331s, after 11 laps Michael managed to set a 29.892s. As the session continued Jonathan and Michael had a great battle going on with both drivers lapping at a similar pace. Jacob and Mark had a great battle going on for 3<sup>rd</sup> place with just under a second separating them. As the clock counted down Jonathan continued to get quicker chasing down Michael every lap, as the chequered flag fell it was Michael who went on to take the win with a time of 29.892s

Heat 4 – was the final heat of the day, taking to the track was Mackenzie, Ethan and Sam, Sam set the early pace putting in a 30.657s after just 3 laps, Ethan was lapping just 0.339s behind Sam and then on lap 6 he jumped into the lead with a 30.318s, lap 7 saw yellows out at the top end of the circuit after Ethan went for a spin obviously pushing hard, the marshal was straight over and got him back underway quickly. After 10 laps Ethan was still holding onto the lead but Sam managed to close the gap to just 0.164s. Ethan showed he was really trying hard and after 14 laps he broke into the 29.932s lap time, Sam came straight back with a 30.262 keeping the gap under half a second between them. Mackenzie started off slowly but as the session played out he continued to get quicker, Sam not one for giving up continued to push and set a 30.155 on lap 17. This time Ethan responded with a 29.970s, the times continued to tumble with Sam setting a 29.901 and Ethan with a 29.669s. As the chequered flag fell it was Ethan who took the win with a 29.652s

The times set for each driver during the heats were as follows:

<b>Heat 1</b>		<b>Heat 4</b>	
Jonathan Yates	30.157	Michael Burrows	29.892
Sam Pattison	30.817	Jonathan Yates	30.232
Michael Burrows	31.418	Jacob Cunliffe	30.636
Jacob Cunliffe	32.127	Mark Richardson	31.427
<b>Heat 2</b>		<b>Heat 5</b>	
Mackenzie Keen	31.03	Ethan Kaye	29.652
Ethan Kaye	31.432	Sam Pattison	29.682
Mark Richardson	31.463	Mackenzie Keen	30.568

The drivers quickest lap time from each heat were added together to give their best average lap time.

This round's results were as follows;

<b>Name</b>	<b>Session 1</b>	<b>Session 2</b>	<b>Avrg</b>
Jonathan Yates	30.157	30.232	30.19
Sam Pattison	30.817	29.682	30.25
Ethan Kaye	31.432	29.652	30.54
Michael Burrows	31.418	29.892	30.66
Mackenzie Keen	31.03	30.568	30.8
Jacob Cunliffe	32.127	30.636	31.38
Mark Richardson	31.463	31.427	31.45

So taking the win after a very consistent drive was Jonathan, finishing a very close second place was Sam and taking his first podium position of the 2012 season was Ethan.



**2<sup>nd</sup> Sam Pattison**

**1<sup>st</sup> Jonathan Yates**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Ethan Kaye**

So after another great day of racing we look forward to what the next round of formula bambino will bring on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> May,

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