



Round 1 – January 10th

Qualifying

After 3 complete laps of free practice, green flag went out for the start of the first qualifying round and Ollie Ursell took charge to lead the pack around the corners, but his lead was short-lived, as Tom Bush took provisional pole just by 0.1 sec. He solidified pole by 0.7 sec from P2 and Liam Coleman, with Ollie Ursell P3.

As the second round of qualifying started, it was Scott Taylor who completed the fastest lap, followed by Liam Coleman and Ollie Ursell in P2 and P3 respectively. As the sun went down slowly, Kameron Khan secured a solid P4 just 0.05 sec behind P3, but it was Ollie Ursell with a wonderful comeback and taking the provisional pole from Taylor by 0.2 sec. But a last-second banzai lap by Tom Bush ensured his P1 spot for the end of the Q2.

For the final qualifying session, positions remained the same, with Ollie Ursell dropping to P4, but with a minimal number of mistakes, it was Kameron Khan who was fastest and qualified on pole position for the race.

Race 1

A 2-row rolling start marked the beginning of Race 1, as Kameron Khan led the pack and started building a small gap, followed closely by Tom Bush and Scott Taylor. An intense battle for P3 was underway, as Tyler Parslow was trying to find a way to overtake Taylor, with Ollie Ursell, Liam Coleman and Charlie Fenton right behind. John Donnelly and Toby Cirel were having a battle for P12, while Tom Bush was putting pressure on Khan for the lead. Andrew Penfold made a move around Kai Mack for P8, but later lost it due to making a mistake at Turn 11. An aggressive move by Parslow resulted in a Bumping warning, while Fenton went past and comfortably slotted into P6.

Meanwhile Ursell overtook Taylor for 3rd place and managed to build almost a second's gap between the two. Luke Guest waited for the perfect opportunity and took it in time, overtaking Mason Bates, while Andrew Penfold made a mistake, which cost him 3 places in the race order. Ursell closed the gap between him and P2, putting himself behind Tom Bush. Penfold recovered, making a clean pass for P11 at a still damp Turn 8. Meanwhile Charlie Fenton lost a position to Liam Coleman, who squeezed past him at Turn 10. After a mistake, Kameron Khan lost 2 places at Turn 11, allowing Tom Bush to take the lead into the next lap, followed by Ollie Ursell. Khan got his head down after his mistake and managed to reclaim a position from Ursell, with Scott Taylor closely following. As time ran out, chequered flag went to Tom Bush, with Kameron Khan taking P2 and Ollie Ursell in P3, but a mistake from both Fenton and Chris Cirel resulted in a spin at the entrance at Turn 11 and dropping Cirel to the back of the grid.



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Race 2

With the qualifying order set from the Fastest Laps of race 1, the drivers rolled round their formation lap and as the green lights went out for the last race of the day, Ollie Ursell led the pack into the opening lap and by the end of his second lap he built enough momentum to separate himself from the pack. Kameron Khan made his way into P2, just a fraction ahead of Tom Bush and Scott Tylor, but the pressure was on him to defend his position as Bush and Taylor closed the gap almost immediately. A battle for P5 was also one to watch, as Charlie Fenton had to fend off Liam Coleman and Tyler Parslow, with Kai Mack and Andrew Penfold yet again battling for P8, while John Donnelly and Luke Guest were separated by only a fraction of a second.

Pressure on Bush was high, as Scott Taylor was constantly on his rear bumper, waiting for the perfect chance to pounce at a suitable occasion, but such did not occur for a while. Andrew Penfold made the move on Kai Mack and took P8, but it wasn't all over for him, as Mack's kart was right behind. Charlie Fenton eventually lost his position to Liam Coleman, allowing him through and Coleman was in pursuit for P4 already, rapidly gaining time.

A spin for Michael Seward cost him a position to Chris Cirel and Mason Bates. Meanwhile Kameron Khan and Tom Bush were battling for 2nd place, head to head, but Bush finally came through to take a position at Turn 9 and Khan was not able to reclaim it in the coming corners, putting him into P3. It was now Bush and Ursell for the lead, with Bush closing the gap between the two.

At the final laps of the race, Khan made several attempts at overtaking, but was unsuccessful, and it was Ollie Ursell who took chequered flag, followed by Tom Bush in 2nd and Kameron Khan completing the Top 3 for the second heat.