



Formula Bambino Race Report Round 3 – Saturday 12th March 2011

Saturday 12th March saw round 3 of the Daytona Manchester Formula Bambino championship get underway, this month we had a smaller turn out with only 11 drivers taking part but this didn't make the competition any less exciting with all drivers achieving some great times in the heats.

Proceedings started at 9am with a quick briefing before the drivers for heat 1 were called to the pit lane. The grids were randomly decided by the computer producing 6 heats in total seeing drivers compete against different people in each heat. Again this month the kart numbers were concealed and the timing screens were left turned off going forwards this will be the norm as it eliminates arguments over karts and also keeps the drivers and parents guessing on the results.

Heat 1 got off to a slow start with the drivers taking a few laps to find their groove however 5 minutes into the session all drivers settled down and started to produce some good lap times, quickest of the session went to Matthew Roberts of 31.746 seconds.

Heat 2 drivers settled in to the session quite quickly with fast times being produced from the off, Ben Holden put in the quickest time for the session of a 30.687. Ashley Hunter and Jonathan Yates had a great battle throughout the heat and ended up setting almost identical times of 32.615 & 32.653s

Heat 3 was a very close contest with Jake Carr and James Walker battling for the quickest time in the end Jake took it with a time of 30.729 closely followed by James' time of 30.872.

Heat 4 was our closest of the day with all drivers achieving personal best times Ashley Hunter took the fastest time of 31.263s; he was closely followed by Sami Sheikh with a time of 31.268s, Nathan Cole and Jonathan Yates were not too far behind with a 31.754 & 31.932 respectively.

Heat 5 saw some really quick times with Ben Holden achieving a 29.910s lap time, this is the first time we have been under a 30s lap during the competition, James Walker kept pushing to the last possible moment to produce a 30.027s lap time. Jake Carr managed to post his personal best time of 30.304s as did Tyler Cooke who achieved a 33.036s.

Heat 6 again saw drivers putting in some personal best times, Matthew Roberts set the quickest time for the session of 30.234s, Marcus Jarmesty and Sebastian Hibbard came in a very close 2nd and 3rd achieving 32.258 and 32.309s

So once again all drivers did really well throughout the heats, it is good to see how mature the standard of driving is becoming and how close the times are getting we really are starting to see some great driving. The quickest time for each driver in their sessions was as follows:

Race 1

Matthew Roberts	31.746
Sami Sheikh	32.906
Marcus Jarmesty	33.145
Nathan Cole	33.741

Race 2

Ben Holden	30.687
Ashley Hunter	32.615
Jonathan Yates	32.653
Tyler Cooke	33.254

Race 3

Jake Carr	30.729
James Walker	30.872
Sebastian Hibbard	34.732

Race 4

Ashley Hunter	31.263
Sami Sheikh	31.268
Nathan Cole	31.754
Jonathan Yates	31.932

Race 5

Ben Holden	29.910
James Walker	30.027
Jake Carr	30.304
Tyler Cooke	33.036

Race 6

Matthew Roberts	30.234
Marcus Jarmesty	32.258
Sebastian Hibbard	32.309

The lap times set by each driver were averaged to determine the fastest driver and therefore the winner for the day.

Taking the win with the fastest average lap time on the day of 30.30 was Ben Holden, James Walker finished in a very close 2nd and Jake Carr managed to pip Matthew Roberts to the post for 3rd place after achieving his personal best ever time in his second session.

The overall results for the round look like this:

Name	Session 1	Session 2	Avrg
Ben Holden	30.687	29.910	30.30
James Walker	30.872	30.027	30.45
Jake Carr	30.729	30.304	30.52
Matthew Roberts	31.746	30.234	30.99
Ashley Hunter	32.615	31.263	31.94
Sami Sheikh	32.906	31.268	32.09
Jonathan Yates	32.653	31.932	32.29
Marcus Jarmesty	33.145	32.258	32.70
Nathan Cole	33.741	31.754	32.75
Tyler Cooke	33.254	33.036	33.15
Sebastian Hibbard	34.732	32.309	33.52

So a big Congratulation goes out to our winners, and of course to all of the drivers who took part. We look forward to seeing you back for round 4 on the 16th April 2011.

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