



# **Daytona Manchester InKart Championship 2011 Round 4**

## **Cadet 1**

The first race of the day saw the cadet class take their place on the grid. As the 2011 season has a random grid allocation it was going to be all or nothing from the word go. Luke Smith started on pole with Sam Dickov and Sam Reedy in 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>. Luke was not happy with the performance of his kart so he decided to swap it meaning he would start the race on cold tyres. Straight out of the blocks and the cadets were clearly wide-awake as Glen Dabo looking for an overtake on Ben Walker but didn't quite make it gaining a black flag for an illegal inside line manoeuvre. Luke was pushing hard in first place leading with 0.406s gap on lap 10. Although he wasn't out of the clear yet as the two Sam's were literally breathing down his neck. With a few hairy moments in the last 30 seconds of race 1 Luke manages to retain 1<sup>st</sup> place.

1<sup>st</sup> – Luke Smith 2<sup>nd</sup> – Sam Dickov 3<sup>rd</sup> – Sam Reedy

## **Junior 1**

Juniors were next on the grid for round 4 and with 10 drivers on the circuit you could feel the tension in the air. Starting grid order saw Brandon on Pole with Jason Bagnall and Kallum McBride looking to chase. Onto lap number 3 Jason Bagnall looking very fast around the final complex but just putting himself out to wide and leaving the inside line wide open for Kallum McBride to take 2<sup>nd</sup>. A huddle of drivers made turn 1 & 2 look easy although came unstuck as Luke and Jason collided on the bridge forcing the race to go under emergency red situation. After a quick breather both drivers signalled they were happy to continue and the race was resumed as normal. Nothing much changing with the positions after the reds situation meaning a comfortable win for Brandon Bethell.

1<sup>st</sup> – Brandon Bethell 2<sup>nd</sup> – Kallum McBride 3<sup>rd</sup> – Jack Richardson

## **Senior 1**

With the 2011 season being the most competitive it has ever been for the senior class it was nice to see a couple of new faces for round 4. Lining up on the grid for pole was Dwayne Marsden who was looking to retain his title as the Senior Class Champion. The two drivers in 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> were not going to let Dwayne take those points so easy. The race started with all drivers making the perfect start on turns 1 & 2, drivers filtered themselves into their positions although onto lap 6 and Adam Clayton just managed to catch the rear of another driver earning himself a drive through penalty in the sin bin. Shortly following on lap 8 Scott Winter pulled a great overtake out the bag on our new



Inkart driver Rhys to gain his position. Things definitely hotting up and on lap 18 Rhys pushing too hard on the bridge catches his front right tyre off the side wall dropping him down into last place. 23 Laps completed and Dwayne brought home the chequered flag to seal 1<sup>st</sup> place points. Although a special mention must go out to Phillip Mosscrop for pushing Dwayne every step of the way and only leaving 0.238s gap between them at any time.

1<sup>st</sup> –Dwayne Marsden 2<sup>nd</sup>-Phillip Mosscrop 3<sup>rd</sup>-Aaron McManus

### **Cadets 2**

A great start from all cadets although 1 driver just not having the room they required and were forced into the sidewall in a racing incident. Drivers were checked over and were happy to get this race back under way. Racing was resumed under full course yellow and with half a lap everyone looked ready to go with the green flags. All drivers immediately got their feet planted into the chassis of the karts and with the race back into full swing another dramatic twist to the race. The red lights were out once again for a driver who was subbed under a barrier. All drivers were checked out and with the time for the cadet race expired all drivers returned to the pit lane retaining points for the position they finished in.

1<sup>st</sup> –Lee Chamberlain 2<sup>nd</sup>-Michael Whittaker 3<sup>rd</sup>-Alex Jones

### **Juniors 2**

Race 2 of the senior class saw Connor Woodyatt on pole and looking very confident. Chasing Connor would be John Gwyneth who has had an excellent season so far. No major incidents to report on the circuit but I would like to report that the standard of driving in this race was a class above what the juniors have done all season. Drivers were producing 26.00- 25.00s lap times with relative ease. Onto lap 20 and our race leader Connor was pushing himself the hardest he has all season with a very keen John trailing just 0.191s behind. A refreshed Aaron Walsh fancied his chances behind John Gwyneth and was just waiting for the perfect opportunity to come up with the goods. The last lap was issued in lap 21 and the front runners were feeling the pressure but with chequered flag in reaching distance Connor was not going to let it slip through his fingers and claimed first.

1<sup>st</sup>-Connor Woodyatt 2<sup>nd</sup>-John Gwyneth 3<sup>rd</sup>-Aaron Walsh

### **Seniors 2**

Race 2 for seniors saw Rhys take full advantage from starting in second and closely tucked himself in behind Aaron McManus. A few bumping calls from the marshals and very shortly after we had a Black flag issued to Adam Bach for a Contact manoeuvre just after the second hairpin. Adam accepted to punishment and resumed racing after a quick chat in the sin bin. Unfortunately



Phillip was the driver who fell to last place although was still impressing with 25.500s. At this point blue flags were issued to the 3 front runners to aid them through the back markers of the circuit clearly drivers started to make a few nervous mistakes although the stakes were high. A few laps from the end the pace did start to die off but the drivers calmly collected the well-deserved positions.

1<sup>st</sup>- Aaron McManus 2<sup>nd</sup>-Adam Clayton 3<sup>rd</sup>-Dwayne Marsden

### **Cadets 3**

After a short 10-minute breather or all drivers to compose themselves we were back on the tarmac for race 3 of the cadet class. Ben Walker was on pole for this one with a very quick Sam Reedy following. Lap number 1 and Glen Dabo pulling a great move to claim 3<sup>rd</sup> place. Race leader Ben walker setting a very quick pace for the rest of the pack to follow with lap number 3 he had a 2.000s lead above his closest rival Glen Dabo who moved up into 2<sup>nd</sup> from another great overtake on Sam Richardson. For the next 8 laps the positions stayed the same and Ben started to pull away even further opening his lead up to a 5.008s gap. Lap 12 and Lee chamberlain just waiting for the opportunity to claim a position back and does so with a very strong overtake on the first hairpin to hold strong in 5<sup>th</sup> although it was only held for 5 laps as he was looking to take Cameron on lap 17 but broke to hard and dropped back down into 6<sup>th</sup>. Ben now opening his lead up to a 11.015s gap and strolling through the chequered flag to take maximum points.

1<sup>st</sup>-Ben Walker 2<sup>nd</sup>-Glen Dabo 3<sup>rd</sup>-Sam Richardson

### **Junior 3**

The last opportunity to gain points for the junior class and on lap 3 a list of drivers all racing for the same piece of tarmac clashes Luke Gore with Dylan Robson verdict was a racing incident. Lap number 7 and Kallum trying to find as much tarmac as possible on turn 8 leaves himself wide open up the inside for John Gwyneth to take full advantage and claim 4<sup>th</sup> position. The best race of 2011 hands down with all 4 drivers at the front either competing for the race win or breaking lap records. In the end though a very well fought victory for Matthew Clayden saw him take home the win.

1<sup>st</sup>-Matthew Clayden 2<sup>nd</sup>-Jack Richardson 3<sup>rd</sup>-Aaron Walsh

### **Cadet 4**

Easily the cleanest race of the cadets for round 4 with Michael Whittaker starting on pole and keeping hold of it well into the first 5 minutes of the race with no pressure what so ever. A response came from his closest rival which was Ben Walker who was inspiring the cadets with laptimes well into the 25.100s. Ben managed to close the gap from 4.008s down to 2.501s and with 3 minutes still on the clock there was plenty to play for with the rest of the



pack tightly locked together. Alex Jones was getting into his stride on race 4 he was producing laptimes 26.050 without even looking like he was trying. But the story for race 4 was Michael Whittaker bringing home a strong win to secure maximum points.

1<sup>st</sup>-Michael Whittaker 2<sup>nd</sup>-Ben Walker 3<sup>rd</sup>- Luke Smith

### **Senior 3**

The final race of the Senior class took an unexpected twist with the most consistent drivers of round 4 closed out at the early stages of the race and left towards the back of the pack. Moving into lap number 10 and Ryan Welch was in first with a very positive start to the race although all over the back of him was Adam Bach who was settled in 2<sup>nd</sup> and was making it known to Ryan that he wanted 1<sup>st</sup>. But on lap 16 Adam Bach pulled an inside line overtake on Ryan to claim 1<sup>st</sup> and not only did he snatch the position of Ryan but he also collected the lap record with a 24.861.

1<sup>st</sup>- Adam Bach 2<sup>nd</sup>-Ryan Welch 3<sup>rd</sup>- Phillip Mossdrop

### **Cadet 5**

The final race to bring a close to Round 4 was the fifth cadet race. All drivers off to a positive start although heading into lap number 4 Michael Whittaker collected the left rear of Cameron Pilkington to earn himself a black flag for Advantage By Contact. The rest of the racers started to take shape with Glen Dabo clinging hold of first and our new driver Sam Richardson in 2<sup>nd</sup>. All drivers kept a comfortable distance in race 5 and Glen Dabo sealed his victory by taking the chequered flag 9.345 seconds in front of Sam Richardson.

1<sup>st</sup>-Glen Dabo 2<sup>nd</sup>-Sam Richardson 3<sup>rd</sup>-Lee Chamberlain



***Inkart Co-ordinator's Comments***

Myself and Kevin would just like to mention that for Inkart Round 4 2011 the standard of racing was excellent. Events such as Black flags, Warning flags and even bumping boards are always going to be shown to drivers when safety is concerned although everybody that came for 25<sup>th</sup> April Round 4 race played their part and we would like to send our thanks for everyone showing their support.

I would like a special mention to go out to:

John Gwneth who produced – 24.971

Kallum McBride who produced – 24.955

*Both Drivers were Lap record Holders until an astonishing effort from:*

Adam Bach who is our NEW lap record holder with a 24.861

We are currently working to update the overall points standing for the season. Thank you for your support and your patience.

***Race Director – David Whitney***

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