

25th September 2013

# Round 8

## D-F1 Championship 2013



### Qualifying 1

Josh Morris set the pace throughout qualifying one with a 28.634 second lap time. In his first round of the F1 championship Mark Trainor finished second four tenths adrift. With thirteen entrants three drivers were eliminated at the chequered flag.

### Qualifying 2

Josh Morris made it two out of two and managed to find a further tenth of a second to finish first in qualifying session two. Mark Trainor took another second place finish but with less of a deficit. Closing the gap at the top Brandon

### Qualifying 3

Josh completed his clean sweep of qualifying with a 28.515 second lap time. Brad Curry managed to push Mark Trainor out of second place to get a front row grid start. The championship leader could only manage a fourth place start four tenths off the session best time. Mark

Nigel Walne started the grand prix from the back of the grid, Matthew Mclachlan started twelfth and Ryan Welch in eleventh.

P13 Nigel Walne (+1.859)

P12 Matthew Mclachlan (+1.115)

P11 Ryan Welch (+1.03)

Bethell finished third a tenth down from Mark Trainor. Four drivers made their way back to the pits after Q2 all missing out by less than a second.

P10 Julian Philippe (+0.944)

P9 Darren Ravenscroft (+0.890)

P8 Tomek Zaustowicz (+0.761)

P7 Colin Samuel (+0.693)

Hitchcock came through the session in fifth place and Matthew Casey finished in sixth.

P6 Matthew Casey (+0.645)

P5 Mark Hitchcock (+0.509)

P4 Brandon Bethell (+0.480)

P3 Mark Trainor (+0.395)

P2 Brad Curry (+0.368)

P1 Josh Morris (28.515)

## Grand Prix




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*“Josh Morris took Back to back victories with a dominant performance.”*

Josh got off the line well and quickly opened up a lead at the start of the race. After piping him to second on the grid, Brad lost out to Mark Trainor through the first few corners and settled in to third place position. Brandon Bethell was hot on the tail of Brad Curry but with Brad switching to a defensive racing line Brandon could not find a way past. Brad seemed to be off the pace in the grand prix. The pack chasing were nose to tail behind Brad but he was doing well to control his track position. Tomek used the pack of drivers to start moving through the field. Tomek got an over take at the first hairpin to move himself up to 8<sup>th</sup> and was straight away on the tail of the next driver. Tomek then got a double overtake on lap 20 and got up to 6<sup>th</sup> place. On lap 21, Brandon Bethell finally got the over take on Brad Curry. Brandon quickly upped his pace as he got clear of Brad and seemed to show just how much he was being held up. Brandon managed to start

lapping in the 28 second lap times and was consistently pulling them off. Five laps later the gap ahead of Brad had been made to nearly 5 seconds. Brandon was now looking at closing the gap to Mark Trainor who was sitting very comfortable in second place. Josh was controlling the race from the front and was passing the back markers with the aid of the blue flags. Tomek found himself behind Brad Curry at the half way stage of the race. The last time Tomek was in this position he ended up receiving a black flag for knocking Brad out of the way and gaining the advantage. Tomek was the quicker driver but yet again Brad was defending his track position well and not giving an inch. Tomek ended up making a mistake which cost him two positions on the track with Julian Philippe and Ryan Welch capitalizing and getting fifth and sixth place respectively. In the latter stages of the race Brandon was now close to Mark Trainor but did not have enough time remaining to get close enough to try an overtake and at the end of the race he finished two and a half seconds behind. Mark Trainor completed his first round of the format with a second place finish. Josh Morris took back to back victories with a dominant performance.

<b>Position</b>	<b>Driver Name</b>	<b>Gap</b>	<b>Points</b>
<b>1</b>	Josh Morris	- - -	25
<b>2</b>	Mark Trainor	+17.072	23
<b>3</b>	Brandon Bethell	+19.459	21
<b>4</b>	Brad Curry	+1L	20
<b>5</b>	Julian Philippe	+1L	19
<b>6</b>	Ryan Welch	+1L	18
<b>7</b>	Tomek Zaustowicz	+1L	17
<b>8</b>	Colin Samuel	+1L	16
<b>9</b>	Darren Ravenscroft	+1L	15
<b>10</b>	Mark Hitchcock	+1L	14
<b>11</b>	Matthew Mclachlan	+1L	13
<b>12</b>	Matthew Casey	+1L	12
<b>13</b>	Nigel Walne	+3L	11
<b>14</b>			10