

Daytona DF1 Champs 2015

Round 8 – 28th October

For the 8th round of the Daytona DF1 Championships, the Light drivers took to the circuit first for qualifying, with Adam Davis looking to put himself in a good position to secure enough points to secure the 2015 Lights Championship...

Qualifying – In the lights, it was Adam Davis being the dominant force in qualifying topping all 3 sessions after looking to struggle for grip in the opening laps. Adam Bach and Dave Parker were hot on his heels in 2nd and 3rd but couldn't quite find the pace to match Adam.

Race – Adam Davis got a good start and cleared off into the distance with a lights to flag victory. Adam Bach looked to get a poor start and had to put his defensive driving skills into practice, he made a small mistake at the hairpin and was swamped by his opponents, Adam dropped down into 5th position by the end of lap 5. Dave Parker gave it his best but couldn't quite match Davis' pace. Michael Anthony put in a fantastic race from 5th on the grid he got himself into 3rd position setting a personal best lap-time of 33.197 on lap 56 of the 60 lap race! Adam Davis set the fastest lap of the race. Marginally quicker than Michael with a time off 33.162.

Adam Davis' maximum points score meant that he had accumulated enough points to eke out an unassailable lead and therefore secured the 2015 DF1 Lights Championship.

Lights - > 82kgs											
Name	Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	Round 4	Round 5	Round 6	Round 7	Round 8	Round 9	Total	Best 8
Adam Davis	22	25	22	25	20	22	20	25		181	161
Adam Bach	25	22	25	22	0	17	25	15		151	151
Blair Henry	18	17	19	20	18	25	22	18		157	140
David Parker	17	15	18	18	22	19	17	22		148	133
Colin Samuel	20	20	0	19	19	15	16	16		125	125
Daniel Parker	19	0	20	14	15	16	18	19		121	121
Michael Antony	14	14	17	15	16	18	19	20		133	119
Parry Richardson	12	0	12	13	14	14	15	17		97	97
Dominic Payne	16	19	14	16	17	13	0	0		95	95
Ross Heale-Whittle	15	18	16	17	13	0	0	0		79	79
Luke Gore	0	0	0	0	25	20	0	0		45	45
Chris Mayes	11	0	13	12	0	0	0	0		36	36
Paul Corby	13	13	0	0	0	0	0	0		26	26
Adam Spillane	10	0	11	0	0	0	0	0		21	21
Daniel Lane	0	16	0	0	0	0	0	0		16	16
Tom Parker	0	0	15	0	0	0	0	0		15	15
Michel Gauci	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14		14	14
Sam Kelly	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13		13	13
Stanmore Samkange	0	0	0	0	12	0	0	0		12	12
Philip Jackson	0	12	0	0	0	0	0	0		12	12
Simeon Willis	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	0		10	10
Andrew Moore	0	0	9	0	0	0	0	0		9	9
Michael Boffey	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		9	9

With the Heavies heading onto the track, Ryan Welch knew that a good result could see him crowned the 2015 DF1 Heavy Champion. Would he be able to handle the pressure...

Qualifying – Dwayne Marsden lit up the liming screens right from the start of qualifying, keen to make up for his poor result last race he got himself on pole position for round 8 ahead of Matt Casey and Steve Gray who made his return to the F1 Series this round.

Race - Dwayne got off to a blistering start instantly pulling away and setting the pace. Matt Casey struggled in the race dropping down to 4th position in the opening laps, allowing Mark Hitchcock into 2nd position. Steve Gray had a strong race running top 3 until lap 48 when he was eventually passed by Championship leader Ryan Welch taking 3rd position behind Dwayne and Mark. Matt Casey now in 5th position had a good Race with Julian Philippe constantly swapping personal best lap-times although Julian did have to settle for 6th.

Ryan's 3rd position meant he also managed to secure an unassailable lead in the series and will be crowned 2015's DF1 Heavy Champion at the final round at the end of November.

Heavies - > 82kgs											
Name	Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	Round 4	Round 5	Round 6	Round 7	Round 8	Round 9	Total	Best 8
Ryan Welch	20	22	22	19	22	20	25	20		170	151
Dwayne Marsden	25	25	25	0	25	19	0	25		144	144
Julian Philippe	22	17	20	22	20	22	20	17		160	143
Mark Hitchcock	18	18	12	20	10	25	19	22		144	134
Matthew Casey	15	20	19	16	19	18	22	18		147	132
Daz Ravenscroft	17	19	18	18	18	17	18	15		140	125
Ben Drake	16	15	15	17	17	14	17	14		125	111
Nigel Walne	13	11	14	13	12	13	15	12		103	92
Ryan Gilmore	0	14	17	14	16	16	13	0		90	90
Nick Rowland	0	16	13	10	14	12	12	9		86	86
Mark Williamson	10	10	10	12	13	11	16	13		95	85
Matthew Mclachlan	19	0	16	15	15	15	0	0		80	80
Matt Gibbs	12	12	11	11	11	10	0	0		67	67
James Clarke	14	0	0	0	9	0	0	16		39	39
Tim Hockham	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	11		25	25
Jonny Elliott	0	0	0	25	0	0	0	0		25	25
Sean Greenhalgh	11	9	0	0	0	0	0	0		20	20
Steve Gray	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	19		19	19
Dave Critchlow	0	0	0	0	0	9	0	10		19	19
Ernestas Bilvinas	0	13	0	0	0	0	0	0		13	13
Michal Koczkas	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		9	9

The final round of the Daytona DF1 Champs is on the 25th November. Who will join Adam and Ryan in the final Championship podium places?? Call us on 033 033 27870 or book online to guarantee your space on the grid!