



**Daytona Milton Keynes International InKart Championships  
Round 5 by Abigail Birch**

**SODI RT8 Series**

**Super Pole Qualifying Top 10**

**Super Pole Qualifying Results**

1	Tate Taverner	1:12:884
2	Matthew Plumb	1:12:977
3	Kasper Marriott	1:13:467
4	Angus Tillyer	1:13:556
5	Ben Southgate	1:13:601
6	Olly Hood	1:13:857
7	William Davison	1:14:149
8	H – Andy Fryer	1:14:152
9	H – Harvey Reed	1:14:313
10	James Costin	1:14:587

**Heat 1**

Tate Taverner led the pack into Turn 1. Plumb got pushed wide on the entry to the corner which lost him his position, he re-joined into P5. He made progression in the forthcoming laps and made his way to P2 by the end of the second lap. Taverner, who remained out in the lead, created a marginal gap to Marriott in second. By the 3<sup>rd</sup> lap, Marriot turned up his pace and began closing the gap to Taverner and caught on the back of him, adding pressure every corner. Hood made a mistake at Turn 10 which subsequently lost him momentum, a 3-kart battle built up behind him for P4 as Hood began to drive defensively in order to maintain his position. Hood was able to build up his momentum again and successfully finish the heat in P3. Marriott remained on the tail of Taverner and crossed the line only 0.228 behind the leader.

All the Heavies made a good start with Gareth Baldwin optimising on his reactions as he was able to climb to P3 by the 5<sup>th</sup> corner. Fryer, who started on pole, was able to maintain his lead on the opening laps and create a small margin to his competitors. A battle for P4 opened up which allowed Baldwin to break away, with no added pressure from the karts behind. Reed suddenly began to lap faster lap times which enabled him to start closing the gap to Fryer, in the lead. However, the chequered flag was shown after 8 laps of racing with Reed finishing 0.7 seconds behind Fryer. Baldwin took P3.

**Heat 2**

A penalty was awarded very early on in the race, for a false start, which meant that Steffan Barreau would be awarded a 5-place penalty at the end of the heat. This meant that his track position was only provisional during the race. After a great start, Williams was able to get into P2 and it wasn't long before he was putting pressure on Barreau. The top 2 drivers were building a gap to P3 as they worked together to build up speed. A change for the lead occurred on lap 3 with Williams overtaking Barreau. Barreau slowly dropped down the leader board as the faster qualifying drivers overtook him, though, he was able to successfully hold onto P6 by the end of the race. As Plumb made his way through the pack, he was determined to not lose any time which followed with him overtaking 2 karts on the final turn of the track, promoting him into P4. In the closing stages of the race, Marriott built up some considerable speed and took the lead on lap 5. Marriott was too fast for Williams to keep up with and was able to take a 3 second win. Southgate took P3 after a very consistent drive.

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Ray and Steve Sutch made momentous starts and were able to break away from their competitors early on in the race. Steve Sutch out-braked himself entering Turn 10 which subsequently lost his position on track, this permitted Baldwin to move up to P2. As Reed started close to the back, he was making his way through the pack and was able to move up to P2 after overtaking Baldwin. Fryer also made his way through the pack. In the closing stages of the race there was a bunch up between the top 3 drivers, this allowed Fryer to make a move on the final turn of the circuit and take P1 from Reed and Ray Sutch.

## Final

Marriott started on pole after two very successful heats. Taverner started in second with Plumb in third. Plumb dropped down to P4 after he was overtaken on the outside of Turn 3. Marriott and Taverner used each other to their advantage and were able to break away to their competitors. Southgate and Plumb were bunched together for P3 and were slowly closing the gap to the top 2 drivers. The lead changed on lap 6 with Taverner taking Marriott at T4. Marriott didn't allow Taverner break away as the two remained close and were still in the battle for the lead. Marriott made a mistake at Turn 6 which resulted in him spinning, this dropped him back down to P8. After Plumb took Southgate for P3, he was able to break a gap which meant he didn't have pressure from behind. After Marriott's spin, Plumb and Hood were promoted into the top positions. Taverner took the win.

1<sup>st</sup> – Tate Taverner

2<sup>nd</sup> – Matthew Plumb

3<sup>rd</sup> – Olly Hood



Fryer started on pole with Donnelly in second and Baldwin in third. Fryer made a strong start which built him a small gap very early on in the race. Baldwin followed in second with Ray Sutch in third. After dropping a few places at the start after a coming together, Reed made his way back up the leader board and was able to take Baldwin for P3. It didn't take long for Reed to break away from Baldwin but Fryer was too far ahead to pressurise. Ray Sutch closed on the back of Baldwin and the top drivers were having an intense battle for P3 through-out the whole race. Baldwin was able to remain in front of Sutch for the remainder of the race, he took P3. Fryer took a successful win with Reed following behind by 2.3 seconds.

1<sup>st</sup> – Andy Fryer

2<sup>nd</sup> – Harvey Reed

3<sup>rd</sup> – Gareth Baldwin



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## DMAX Series

### Qualifying

#### Qualifying Results

1	L - Alex Simmons	1:08:447
2	L - Eden Rosenfield	1:08:791
3	H - Lee Witney	1:09:379
4	H - Stewart Madden	1:10:182
5	H - Andrew Tempest	1:10:384
6	L - Bjorn Buckley	1:10:478
7	H - Stuart Shearman	1:10:636
8	L - Tanzi Besant	1:10:640
9	H - Darren Holliday	1:10:731
10	H - James Cook	1:10:876

#### The Race

Simmons and Rosenfield had a well anticipated start, enabling them to create a small gap to their competitors very early on in the race. Rosenfield took his chances at Turn 4 but the move wasn't successful. On lap 7, Rosenfield started to close the gap to Simmons but Simmons responded to this and the gap was only closed to 2 seconds. For the remainder of the race, Simmons pushed and was able to create a considerable lead to his competitors. He took the win by 17 seconds to Rosenfield and Buckley.

1<sup>st</sup> – Alex Simmons

2<sup>nd</sup> – Eden Rosenfield

3<sup>rd</sup> – Bjorn Buckley



Witney got a great start which allowed him to stretch his lead to 0.6 seconds by the end of lap 2. Tempest took Madden early on in the race which moved him into P2. After the opening laps had passed, there was a battle that opened up for P4 which consisted of 5 karts with only 2 seconds between them. They soon joined the back of P2 which brought more karts in to contention. Tempest and Madden were closing on each other as the leader of the Light category joined their race, this allowed Cook to catch on the back of P2 and P3. Madden took Tempest at Turn 4 for P2, yet, it didn't take long for Tempest to take the position back to hold onto P2. Carl Stephens, who started near the back of the grid, was making his way up the leader board, he held onto P4 on lap 24 and was on the chase for a top 3 spot. Within a couple of laps, Stephens made his way up into P3, less than a second behind P2. Within a few laps Stephens was up to P2. Witney stayed out ahead and took an honourable win, with Stephens in second and Tempest in third.

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1<sup>st</sup> – Lee Witney

2<sup>nd</sup> – Carl Stephens

3<sup>rd</sup> – Andrew Tempest

