

Event Report

Round 2, Barkston Heath, Sunday 4th April 2010



Round two of the 2010 Toyota Sprint Series returned to an old favourite, the smooth, twisty purpose built sprint track at Barkston Heath, Lincolnshire.

The event was expertly organised and run by track day organisers Javelin, with support from Blitz-UK, Fensport, Millers Oils, Super Pro Bushes, Merlin International and the GT4 Owners Club.

Forecasts of snow earlier in the week saw the 35 drivers look to the sky with trepidation; however the sunshine and blue sky put an end to their fears. The temperature was very cold though, and the track was quite slippery and interesting during the morning runs.

Up to lunchtime, most of the cars managed to stay on the black stuff, and put some good times on the board. Hitting a cone or apex marking pole would cost a run, and many drivers fell foul and recorded void runs due to the damp track and cold conditions.

The game was very much on in class A1, with 2009 champion, Jonny Milner and 2008 champion Adrian Smith hot on the pace. Milner had set a 51.53 on run 2, to which Smith replied with a 51.91 just before lunch.

Throughout the 7 classes, competitive battles were being fought; proving the TSS can be just as much fun in a 1 litre as it is in a 600bhp supercar!! Another 1st for the TSS was the first ever Toyota iQ run in competition, the little car was in class F for 1 litre cars and was running well throughout the day.

After lunch, with no sign of rain, just plenty of wind, the track was in great condition, all drivers were really pushing hard and there were records to beat! 20 cars managed to finish within the magic minute, proving the increasing competitiveness of both drivers and machines.



Overall Results:



Class F: Up to 1.01

Class F is growing in size, and saw the first iQ to be entered in the series. Paul Thomas (above left) still proved to be top in his Aygo with a time of 64.31. But Dan Quinn (above right) was chasing hard and ended as runner up in his Yaris, with a time of 65.29.



Class D: Up to 1.6l

David Brooks (above left) stormed to an early lead in his Starlet, David was seconds ahead once more with his time of $56.74 - gaining him 8^{th}$ overall. Neil Latham (above right) in his 20v MR2 was runner up with his time of 60.02.



Class C: Over 1.6l

Proving that big cars can be competitive on twisty tracks, Alex Meade (above left) drove his Supra round in 58.57 seconds, gaining him first place. Jeff Lotts (above right) in his 2.0L Celica was runner up with 58.70 seconds.



Class B: Up to 1.6I forced induction.

Darren Burwash (above left) set an amazing time of 56.71 on his 1^{st} visit to Barkston, to take the class win in his Starlet. With barely a tenth between 2^{nd} , 3^{rd} and 4^{th} in class, it was Pete Coleman who came out second with a time of 58.50 in his Starlet.



Class A3: Over 1.6I limited modifications

Things can't get much closer than this. Chris Cooke and his MR2 Turbo were locked in a battle with Duncan McMath (above right) in his Celica, the two were separated by 1 hundredth of a second. Chris took the win with 55.26 and Duncan so narrowly missed the class win with a 55.27.



Class A2: Over 1.6I - modified

Otis Hayes (above left) made a welcome return and soon stamped his authority in this class with a time of 54.34, good enough for a class win and 3rd overall. Steve Timms (above right) chased all day with a best time of 58.28 earning him runner up spot.



Class A1: Over 1.6I – unlimited modifications

A close battle as ever between Adrian Smith (above left) and Jonny Milner (above right). Jonny had the upper hand till just after lunch when Adrian pulled a couple of tenths clear. Unfortunately Jonny couldn't reply when 2nd gear broke in his Celica. Adrian went on to take the win and set a new lap record with a 51.15s run. Jonny was runner up with his best time a very close 51.53. The 2 drivers are now joint equal in the championship and we look forward to seeing the battles unfold throughout the year.



Hard Charger:

The hard Charger award is given to the driver who has punched above their weight or stood out in some way at each round. Duncan McMath was the recipient of this award at Barkston Heath, with his excellent time of 55.27 gaining him 6th overall.



Fastest Lady:

Diane Turner and her Celica GT4 were 3rd in class A3 and 9th overall, with her time of 57.53, makes her definitely the fastest lady of the day.



Results – Simplified

1st Overall – Adrian Smith , Celica GT4X 2nd Overall – Jonny Milner, Celica GT4 3rd Overall – Otis Hayes, Celica GT4 Class A1 Winner – Adrian Smith, Celica GT4X Class A1 runner up – Jonny Milner, Celica GT4 Class A2 Winner - Otis Hayes, Celica GT4 Class A2 runner up - Steve Timms, Celica GT4 Class A3 Winner – Chris Cooke, MR2 Turbo Class A3 runner up – Duncan McMath, Celica GT4 Class B Winner – Darren Burwash, Starlet Turbo Class B runner up - Pete Coleman, Starlet Turbo Class C Winner - Alex Meade, Supra Class C runner up - Jeff Lotts, Celica GT4 Class D Winner - David Brooks, Starlet 4AGE Class D runner up - Neil Latham, MR2 20v Class F Winner - Paul Thomas, Aygo Class F runner up - Dan Quinn, Yaris

Hard Charger – Duncan McMath, Celica GT4 Fastest Lady – Diane Turner, Celica GT4



Toyota Sprint Series 2010 Overall Results

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-	No	Class	Name	Best Time	Run							
Pos					One	Two	Three	Four	Five	Six	Seven	Eight
1	2	A1	Adrian Smith	51.15	54.08	53.42	52.28	51.91	51.24	51.15	52.05	VOID
2	1	A1	Jonny Milner	51.53	53.14	51.53	52.06	VOID	80.04	54.20	53.57	NR
3	11	A2	Otis Hayes	54.34	58.19	VOID	VOID	VOID	56.18	54.34	54.61	VOID
4	36	A3	Barry Watling	54.47	VOID	55.00	55.61	VOID	55.92	55.53	VOID	54.47
5	21	A3	Chris Cooke	55.26	58.85	58.27	57.01	56.80	56.29	56.19	55.73	55.26
6	27	A3	Duncan McMath	55.27	VOID	56.29	56.38	55.27	55.75	VOID	56.12	55.63
7	47	В	Darren Burwash	56.71	NR	60.31	58.87	57.67	58.69	58.23	56.86	56.71
8	61	D	David Brookes	56.74	57.67	57.74	57.54	VOID	58.16	56.83	56.74	57.33
9	24	A3	Diane Turner	57.53	60.01	VOID	58.66	VOID	60.29	59.28	58.31	57.53
10	29	A3	John Middleton	57.67	59.15	59.09	58.42	59.23	58.63	57.67	58.49	57.94
11	26	A3	Jake Turner	57.94	63.29	60.04	59.61	59.31	59.31	58.94	59.49	57.94
12	14	A2	Steve Timms	58.28	63.89	62.63	60.91	59.55	60.75	59.89	59.17	58.28
13	43	В	Peter Coleman	58.50	60.17	146.61	60.80	60.42	59.52	59.72	59.32	58.50
14	23	A3	Steve Lawson	58.51	62.61	61.14	61.13	60.19	58.51	VOID	59.41	58.80
15	57	С	Alex Meade	58.57	64.51	61.20	59.85	59.97	59.28	58.86	58.57	VOID
16	51	С	Jeff Lotts	58.70	60.50	60.45	60.00	60.10	59.55	59.32	59.01	58.70
17	33	A3	Alan Wheeldon	58.77	62.71	61.66	59.41	59.02	58.77	VOID	VOID	60.04
18	56	С	lan Johnson	59.18	62.90	62.17	61.79	60.78	61.46	61.11	59.74	59.18
19	41	В	Barrie Newsome	59.26	61.95	60.67	60.43	60.84	62.33	VOID	59.26	60.02
20	42	В	Phil Culter	59.29	60.44	60.26	VOID	59.54	61.37	59.47	59.30	59.29
21	32	A3	Dave Ellen	59.51	62.43	61.41	61.98	61.19	60.36	60.57	59.51	59.88
22	12	A3	Nigel Levinson	60.01	61.84	60.90	60.38	61.78	61.60	60.40	60.64	60.01
23	30	D	Neil Latham	60.02	63.68	62.27	61.87	61.23	61.59	60.76	60.53	60.02
24	53	С	Scott Briance	60.24	63.99	63.18	62.99	63.36	61.80	61.68	60.24	61.55
25	63	D	Lee Chappell	61.05	VOID	64.71	63.62	62.29	64.08	62.99	62.34	61.05
26	81	X	Richard Lynn	61.17	61.88	61.80	62.02	62.19	63.71	63.30	61.89	61.17
27	55	С	Adam Wright	62.19	VOID	63.71	63.47	63.73	64.14	63.05	VOID	62.19
28	35	A3R	Roger Greaves	62.97	64.09	63.73	64.69	63.76	63.44	63.23	62.97	63.56
29	45	В	Vykki Cutler	63.02	VOID	63.90	64.55	63.02	66.10	65.32	63.46	63.92
30	62	D	Barry Cross	63.16	64.82	64.02	64.43	63.72	64.84	63.98	63.16	63.17
31	54	С	Jamie Clare	63.38	70.46	65.19	64.11	63.74	64.99	65.22	63.69	63.38
32	71	F	Paul Thomas	64.31	66.60	67.37	68.39	66.29	66.20	65.98	VOID	64.31
33	73	F	Dan Quinn	65.29	67.84	68.08	66.84	66.12	65.76	65.71	65.45	65.29
34	72	F	Jane Newsome	67.61	68.08	67.65	VOID	69.07	72.98	70.80	70.57	67.61
35	75	F	Sally Ingold	78.36	82.18	82.96	81.62	80.00	78.36	79.60	78.45	80.30

Summary

Another great day professionally organised and with everyone smiling by the end, the true spirit of the Toyota Sprint Series was shown at Barkston Heath this weekend.

We would like to thank Javelin Trackdays for their professionalism and smooth operation of the day. Also thank you to all our sponsors for making the championship a reality.

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