

Toyota Sprint Series Round 2 Blyton Woodbridge 15.06.14

RAF Woodbridge in Suffolk hosted the 2nd round of the 2014 Toyota Sprint Series. A firm favourite with drivers due to it's long, fast flowing nature, the venue has been used by the series every year since 2008.

With many drivers making alterations since round 1, and also taking advantage of a practise / trackday at the circuit the day before the competition was always going to be fierce!

The Javelin team had once again designed a fantastic challenging course of some 2.2 miles in length. There was everything, long sweeping bends, the infamous "Hanger Straight" as well as many technical sections to keep the competitors on their toes!

Results In Reverse Class Order



Class D Street - Up to 1.6 Normally Aspirated

Three very different types of Toyota contested Class D Street, the oldest being Brian Bales beautifully turned out MK1 MR2 (above left). Ivo Sousa bought his Starlet out for his first event of the year, and Alex Daniel (above right) had several new parts and a new graphic scheme since Blyton.

Ivo was on the back foot straight away with the lowest powered car in his class, but that didn't stop him trying very hard and enjoying himself immensely, finishing third in class with a time of 2.44.44 set on his fourth run.

Alex was one of those who took advantage of the track day the day before, and has learnt very quickly how far she can push, and what her car is capable of. This huge boost in confidence and car control saw her post a very respectable 2.42.73 to see her finish second in class and gain the coveted "Hard Charger" award for her vast improvements. But the day belonged to Brian, a very rapid 2.37.94 set on his fourth run saw him a deserving class winner.





Class D Pro - Up to 1.6 Normally Aspirated

Class D Pro also consisted of two quite different cars, the classic AE86 driven by Martin Lush (above left), and Guy Bentley's Corolla G6R (above right)

Matt Hopkins was a sad absentee in his MK1 MR2, but has promised to be back for round three.

Guy complained that he had run out of speed on the long straights of Woodbridge, but remained cheerful and tried desperately hard to post a 2.29.93 on his seventh run. Martin drove beautifully all day, using his and the cars rallying heritage to maximum effect.

A 2.18.99 set on his eighth and final run not only netting the class win but a fabulous eighth overall. The whole paddock look forward to more of Martin's antics as the year progresses.



Class C Street - Over 1.6 Normally Aspirated

Unusually the normally busy Class C Street only had one entry for this event, and that was Peter Mason, taking part in his first event aboard his normally aspirated MK2 MR2 (above). Peter gained in confidence as the day wore on, improving his times by over six seconds as he learnt the track and the limits of his car. A 2.33.13 on his seventh lap saw him seal the class win in this eye catching welcome addition to the series.



Class C Pro- Over 1.6 Normally Aspirated

Chris Girdler's 190bhp Celica (above) had Class C Pro to himself, and quickly settled down to a 2.24.85 in his third run, a time that try as hard as he might, he couldn't match for the rest of the day. As usual Chris very much enjoyed himself, and his efforts netted him twentieth place overall.





Class B Street - Up To 1.6 Forced Induction

Vit Seebaluck didn't have things all his own way at Woodbridge in his well turned out EP91 Starlet (above right), as he was joined by Surrey based James Abbott, taking part in his first ever motorsport event in his white version of the same car (above left).

A titanic battle between the two ensued, Vit having the upper hand after the first run, before James found his feet and began to improve.

A tiny margin of .37 of a second separated them after eight runs, James snatching victory on his very last run of the day with a 2.22.66 leaving him a delighted winner.

Vit will be keen to turn the tables at the next round at Blyton.





Class B Pro - Up To 1.6 Forced Induction

Seasoned veterans Phil Cutler and Barrie Newsome once again did battle in Class B Pro, Phil using his trusty supercharged MK1 MR2 (above right), and Barrie in his powerful EP82 Starlet turbo (above left).

Phil's times were very consistent throughout the day, saving his best effort until his final lap, culminating in a 2.19.69 to finish a good tenth overall.

Barrie took the lead in the 2.18's, but suffered gearbox failure on run seven, luckily he had already done enough recording a 2.18.03 on his second run to claim the class win.





Class A3 Street - Over 1.6 Forced Induction

Three different ST205 Celica GT4's entered Class A3 Street, all previously owned and run by Roger Greaves under the Team Taddy banner.

The three cars were driven by Roger himself (above right), Blyton class winner Jay Wood (above left), and Chris Walker. Roger was another driver who had taken advantage of the track day the day beforehand and set out to put the new skills to practise.

Chris hindered himself by locking a brake before lunch, flat spotting a tyre, and was further impeded by a cooling issue and front tyre degradation. Nevertheless he continued to try hard, and was rewarded with a 2.24.69 set on his seventh lap.

Jay once again drove with great verve, and managed to just beat Roger by .3 of a second with a 2.21.74 set on his fifth lap to claim his second class win of the season and twelfth overall.



Class A3 Pro

After missing the first round series regular Joe Tapply (above) made a welcome return to Woodbridge in his ZZT231 supercharged Celica.

Joe steadily chipped away, improving his times with each run to finish up with a 2.26.12 set on his final lap to gain the class win.



Class A2 Pro - Over 1.6 Forced Induction

Barry Mason (above) openly admitted to trying too hard and over driving his ST185 Celica, penalties for cone clipping and going out of bounds meaning that only four of the seven runs he contested actually counted.

Nevertheless, Barry's third run of 2.14.54 was good enough for the class win and a respectable fifth overall, but Barry will do all he can to improve on this at Blyton.





Class A1 Pro - Over 1.6 Forced Induction

Cars with the largest power output contend the Class A1 Pro category, Andy McCormack, Nigel Levinson and Luke Lawrence reconvening at Woodbridge to continue the scrap they enjoyed at the opening round.

Nigel seemed to have a bit of a topsy turvy day, lacking his normal consistency. In amongst the wildly varying times Nigel's 2.14.13 set on run four saw him finish third in class. Andy enjoyed himself hugely, the elderly ST165 christened "The Sledgehammer" (above right) proving very fast and reliable all day. Second in class and third overall were just deserts for the 2.12.15 posted on run four, but neither Nigel or Andy had an answer to Luke's superbly driven MR2 turbo (above left), a 2.11.59 set on his opening lap before a misfire and cooling issues set in seeing Luke win the class and finish a superb second overall.

GT86 Trophy





Class N3 - Standard GT86 / BRZ

Although the only competitor in Class N3, other than a blip on run four, Glynn Redhead (above) set a very consistent set of times throughout the day, less than two seconds separating his best from worst lap. Lap seven proved to be Glynn's best run of the day, a 2.29.33 sealing the class win.





Class N2 - Modified NA - Street

Three cars were entered in Class N2, the silver version of Mike Pease up against Lauren Blighton's white example (above right) and Stan Hawrylak's blue car (above left). Mike tried a little too hard on his third and fourth runs, but settled down to further improve on his remaining runs, Mike's best time of 2.28.24 being set on the last lap of the day. Much to her dismay Lauren pulled herself away from Le Mans coverage to make the journey from Manchester to compete. Once again she proved very quick, and set a good time of 2.19.15 to grab second in class and a very respectable ninth overall. But it was Stan who had laid down the gauntlet from the word go, his last two runs both being in the 2.16's, the seventh being .05 of a second faster.

This gave Stan the class win, and also rewarded him with a fabulous sixth overall.



Class N1 - Modified NA - Pro

TSS veteran Paul Thomas (above) was the sole entrant in Class N1, and unusually for Paul he was unable to improve on his first timed run.

A 2.20.93 saw Paul win his class and finish eleventh overall.



Class F2 - Forced Induction - Street

Class F2 saw the most hotly contested battles of the day, a mere .79 of a second splitting the three competitors at the finish.

Keith Stanbury continued his learning curve, thoroughly enjoying his experience as he hurled his car around with abandon. Keith's seventh run saw him get within .20 of a second of Rob Swinden's sixth lap time of 2.22.79. Rob (above right) made huge leaps as the day wore on, improving by nearly 19 seconds to clinch second in class and 16th overall. However both drivers were outgunned by newcomer Masaya Yumeda (aka Maz) with a great 2.22.20 set on his eighth and final lap to give him the class win and fourteenth overall.



Class F1 - Forced Induction - Pro

Adrian Smith's day didn't start according to plan, a broken driveshaft on the first timed run saw him completely last by the end of run 2.

Without a spare it was Jay Smith who came to the rescue offering his shaft from his road going car! The Fensport team quickly installed the borrowed shaft and only missed one run.

Adrian's first timed lap of the day, on run 3, would still have been enough to take the overall win, but he continued to push as hard as he could, finishing up with a stunning 2.07.28, before work began on replacing the driveshaft back into Jay's car! An elated Adrian accepted the overall winner's trophy having won by an incredible 4.31 seconds.

Trophy Winners







Overall Results

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Pos	No	Class	Name		Run								
				Best Time	One	Two	Three	Four	Five	Six	Seven	Eight	
1	2	F1	Adrian Smith	2:07.28	VOID	NR	2:10.13	2:09.00	2:09.29	2:08.96	2:07.28	NR	
2	20	A1-P	Luke Lawrence	2:11.59	2:11.59	2:12.70	2:13.45	2:11.94	2:13.43	2:13.26	2:13.41	2:17.22	
3	19	A1-P	Andrew McCormack	2:12.15	2:18.56	2:14.44	2:12.80	2:12.15	2:50.03	2:13.23	2:13.99	2:14.22	
4	6	A1-P	Nigel Levinson	2:14.13	2:14.81	2:15.30	2:14.40	2:14.13	2:15.67	2:16.85	VOID	2:17.99	
5	4	A2-P	Barry Mason	2:14.54	2:14.68	2:15.36	2:14.54	VOID	2:14.87	VOID	NR	VOID	
6	29	N2	Stan Hawrylak	2:16.58	2:18.41	2:17.84	2:17.90	2:18.89	2:17.70	2:17.41	2:16.58	2:16.63	
7	48	B-P	Barrie Newsome	2:18.03	2:18.11	2:18.03	2:18.59	2:19.57	2:19.79	2:18.66	2:36.60	NR	
8	24	D-P	Martin Lush	2:18.99	2:22.59	2:21.21	2:22.31	2:22.75	2:19.71	2:20.27	2:19.93	2:18.99	
9	41	N2	Lauren Blighton	2:19.15	2:22.55	2:20.48	2:20.42	2:21.08	2:20.83	2:19.15	2:20.22	NR	
10	7	B-P	Phil Cutler	2:19.69	2:21.16	VOID	2:22.24	2:20.59	2:21.72	2:20.78	2:22.28	2:19.69	
11	10	N1	Paul Thomas	2:20.93	2:20.93	2:22.37	2:21.90	2:21.83	2:24.06	2:22.64	2:21.23	NR	
12	8	A3-S	Jay Wood	2:21.74	2:23.72	2:23.82	2:23.75	2:24.32	2:21.74	2:22.92	2:26.66	NR	
13	9	A3-S	Roger Greaves	2:22.04	2:25.84	2:23.16	2:22.04	2:22.99	2:23.50	2:22.24	2:23.72	2:22.47	
14	47	F2	Masaya Yumeda	2:22.20	2:25.93	2:25.25	2:24.16	2:23.68	2:24.07	2:22.91	2:22.58	2:22.20	
15	46	B-S	James Abbott	2:22.66	2:36.51	2:25.57	2:26.07	2:24.95	2:30.02	2:24.91	2:24.62	2:22.66	
16	28	F2	Rob Swinden	2:22.79	2:41.50	2:29.89	2:25.57	2:26.24	2:25.33	2:22.79	VOID	2:23.36	
17	18	F2	Keith Stanbury	2:22.99	2:24.71	2:26.36	2:23.44	2:23.99	2:25.61	2:43.63	2:22.99	2:26.22	
18	16	B-S	Vit Seebaluck	2:23.03	2:34.89	2:27.62	2:25.52	2:25.07	2:25.78	2:25.54	2:23.03	2:25.73	
19	35	A3-S	Chris Walker	2:24.69	2:25.84	2:24.94	2:36.06	2:25.74	2:26.68	2:25.29	2:24.69	2:25.01	
20	11	C-P	Chris Girdler	2:24.85	2:27.39	2:26.84	2:24.85	2:25.00	2:28.57	2:26.29	2:25.92	2:24.97	
21	14	A3-P	Joe Tapply	2:26.12	2:31.70	2:30.36	2:29.30	2:28.58	2:29.44	2:27.16	2:27.93	2:26.12	
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26	43	D-S	Brian Bales	2:37.94	2:45.09	2:43.94	2:39.50	2:37.94	2:43.98	2:39.48	2:39.82	5:23.27	
27	25	D-S	Alex Daniel	2:42.73	VOID	2:48.93	2:44.72	2:43.42	2:46.70	2:42.73	2:44.53	2:45.34	
28	49	D-S	Ivo Sousa	2:44.44	2:49.93	2:52.53	2:44.48	2:45.08	2:48.71	2:44.44	2:47.38	2:45.16	

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