

ROUND FIVE - SEPTEMBER 18TH - CROFT

The fifth round of the Toyota Sprint Series 2016 was at the fantastic flat and twisty Croft Circuit in the North East of England.

Traditionally having changeable and challenging weather, it was a pleasure to have blue skies and a warm day, a little too hot when in full racewear but generally good conditions to improve times throughout the day. Being the penultimate round, there are some serious battles forming and drivers now looking towards overall standings for the year as well as event results.

A number of regular competitors returned for this event and some new faces still keen to join the series. As expected, there was a wide variety of cars, from the modern and sporty GT86, the economic yet well handling Yaris, and more classic Celicas, MR2s and Starlets. There is a class for every type of Toyota within the series to enhance competition.

Whilst all drivers have their favourites, no driver seems to dislike Croft, seeming to provide a good balance of technical areas and flat out straights to suit all competitors. Location: Croft, North Yorkshire Weather AM: Dry Weather PM: Dry Entries: 36



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A class for lightly modified GT86 cars, the main battle was between Lauren Blighton and Kevin Atkins. Lauren trying for a 100% first place record this year was frustratingly kept a whisker away from Kevin all day. Kevin managed to win the class with a time of 1:42:36, Lauren a gnat's whisker behind with a 1:42:41.

Class N1 Pro

Tim Huxley (#59) | 1st



A class for GT86 cars with further modifications, newcomer Tim Huxley was the only entrant but proved to be a good contender in the overall standings, finishing 5th overall with a time of 1:40:80. This was the highest finishing naturally aspirated car on the day, showing the capability of these cars in good hands.













Steven Allison (#24) | 1st

James Clayton (#81) | 2nd



For standard cars with low power, this is a popular class for small hatches such as the Yaris and Starlet. Steven Allison returned with the Yaris for this round and with the benefit of Croft being his local track, won this class and beat some higher class cars with a time of 1:54:69. James Clayton was also giving this class a go, usually competing in the higher powered Celica, and was runner up with a time of 1:56:56.



<u>Class E Pro</u>

Phil Smith (#54) | 2nd



For modified cars with low power ,this class attracts those wanting a very affordable way of having fun. Guy Bentley and Phil Smith were the two entrants in this round, sharing a Starlet. It is always that bit more competitive with drivers using the same car, and Guy and Phil had fun all day, even with a few coolant issues. Guy however emerged the victor, with his time of 1:50:50 beating Phil's 1:51:30.













Jaik Dean (#55) | 1st



Jaik Dean would love some competitors in this class for standard cars with engine capacity to 1600cc. His Yaris is a great car for this circuit and his best time was 1:54:71.



Class D Pro

Gary Street (#22) | 2nd



This class for modified NA cars up to 1600cc was won by Sally-Anne Elliot, the first time she had managed a trophy at this circuit, with a great time of 1:55:66 with the Yaris. She beat Gary Street's Starlet, with a 1:58:02 earning him runner up.













Roger Greaves (#11) | 1st

Richard McKay (#14) | 2nd



One of the more popular classes, for fairly standard normally aspirated cars over 1600cc. There were battles throughout this class but the victor was Roger Greaves in his Celica with a great time of 1:46:23 also earning him the coveted Hard Charger award, given to drivers who stand out on the day. Roger has competed regularly in the series and this was his first Hard Charger award, received with much pleasure! Runner up was Richard McKay of series sponsor RRG Toyota, with a time set in his Celica of 1:47:26.

Class C Pro

Simon Whincup (#32) | 1st



Chris Girdler (#31) | 2nd



If there was a trophy for camaraderie between competitors, the two in this class would receive it. It was great to see the support these two guys gave each other throughout the day and really showed the spirit of the series. Simon Whincup however proved unbeatable with a time of 1:46:80 in his Celica, despite engine problems earlier in the day. Chris Girdler was frustrated with his performance today in the Celica although the 1:49:19 was still a respectable time.













Phil Cutler (#07) | 1st



A lonely class this round for Phil Cutler being the only entrant, having converted his MR2 to a turbo successfully at the start of the year was trying out a new wider wheel and softer tyre configuration for the first time. This appeared to work remarkably well, his time of 1:38:89 earning him 4th overall.

Class A3 Street

Gary Cooper (#58) | 2nd

Andrew Haw (#08) | 1st

Andrew Haw, often used to competing on his own in this class, had a few battles today but still emerged the victor with a time of 1:43:68 in his Celica. Gary Cooper was runner up, originally planning to use his MR2, but clutch problems meant he was kindly allowed the use of Roger Greaves' Celica. It is worth noting therefore that Gary's time of 1:46:09 was set in a car meant for a lower class, and a very sportsmanlike decision to agree to stay in this higher class.













Tom Thorpe (#05) | 1st



Tom Thorpe and his Celica had no class competition in this round but his time of 1:41:40 placed him a respectable 6th overall.

Class A2 Street

Jay Wood (#03) | 1st



A lone entry from Jay Wood's Celica produced a 1:42:30 meaning 7th overall.



Adrian Smith (#01) | 1st

Andy Bunney (#29) | 2nd



The most seriously prepped cars are placed in the Pro Tuner class, and coupled with some serious driving is both entertaining and inspiring to see. Generally the Pro Tuner standings are also the overall standings and this was the case today. A shared Celica won 2nd and 3rd place, Nigel Levinson driving a time of 1:36:39 for 3rd , and Andy Bunney taking 2nd with a 1:34:92. No one could touch Adrian Smith's GT86 however, his time of 1:32:67 breaking all previous records and earning him 1st overall.



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Croft Winners

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Class	Pos	Name	Num	Vehicle	Best Time	1	2	3	Ru 4	in 5	6	7	8
Pro	1	Adrian Smith	1	GT86	1:32.67	1:34.93	1:32.96	1:33.26	1:34.38	1:33.16	1:32.67	NR	NR
	2	Andy Bunney	29	Celica GT4 ST185	1:34.92	1:40.83	1:35.94	1:35.55	1:34.92	1:35.57	1:36.47	1:35.65	1:37.53
	3	Nigel Levinson	4	Celica GT4 ST185	1:36.39	1:40.53	1:38.25	1:36.85	1:37.23	1:38.02	1:37.64	1:38.94	1:36.39
A2-S	1	Jay Wood	3	Celica GT4	1:42.30	1:44.18	1:42.50	1:42.73	1:43.41	1:43.06	1:44.04	1:42.30	1:42.86
АЗ-Р	1	Tom Thorpe	5	Celica GT4	1:41.40	1:44.82	1:43.41	1:43.01	1:42.48	1:41.40	1:42.00	1:42.67	1:41.56
A3-S	1	Andrew Haw	8	Celica GT4	1:43.58	1:45.33	1:43.58	1:43.79	1:44.53	1:44.66	1:44.36	1:44.93	1:44.04
	2	Gary Cooper	58	Celica	1:46.09	1:50.92	1:47.10	1:46.09	1:46.76	1:46.39	1:47.20	1:46.57	1:46.83
	3	Jared Lodge	13	Celica GT4	1:46.70	1:49.57	1:48.44	1:49.16	1:48.46	1:47.93	1:46.70	NR	NR
B-P	1	Phil Cutler	7	MR2	1:38.89	1:42.21	1:40.68	2:24.05	1:44.86	1:39.77	1:38.89	1:39.24	1:38.90
	1	Simon Whincup	32	Celica	1:46.80	1:59.18	1:48.51	1:48.30	1:48.39	1:48.19	1:46.94	1:47.19	1:46.80
С-Р	2	Chris Girdler	31	Celica	1:49.19	1:54.55	1:51.72	1:51.32	1:54.31	1:51.46	1:51.82	1:50.21	1:49.19
c-s	1	Roger Greaves	11	Celica	1:46.23	1:48.71	1:48.15	1:48.84	1:48.29	1:47.17	1:46.67	1:47.27	1:46.23
	2	Richard McKay	14	Celica GT	1:47.26	1:49.09	1:48.12	1:48.30	1:47.64	1:47.80	1:47.61	1:47.65	1:47.26
	3	Alex Fung	27	Altezza	1:48.17	1:51.68	1:51.38	1:53.49	1:53.35	1:50.64	1:58.07	1:49.99	1:48.17
	4	Pete Mason	50	Celica	1:49.40	1:53.72	RR	1:52.14	1:50.90	1:49.40	1:49.93	1:49.91	1:49.69
	5	Damian Wilkinson	23	Celica	1:55.39	1:58.20	1:58.32	1:57.86	1:57.49	1:56.61	1:55.39	1:56.96	1:56.28
	6	Nick Ashley	57	Celica GT	1:56.28	2:01.58	1:59.60	1:58.82	1:59.03	1:56.52	1:57.04	1:56.28	1:56.28
D-P	1	Sallyanne Elliott	19	Yaris T Sport	1:55.66	1:59.58	1:58.09	1:57.27	1:57.90	1:57.45	1:55.66	1:56.49	1:56.11
D-F	2	Gary Street	22	Starlet	1:58.02	2:01.06	1:59.57	1:58.22	2:00.77	1:58.98	1:58.02	NR.	NR.
D-S	1	Jaik Dean	55	Yaris T Sport	1:54.71	1:56.01	1:56.33	1:54.98	1:56.70	1:54.79	2:06.83	1:55.24	1:54.71
E-P	1	Guy Bentley	53	Starlet	1:50.50	1:51.82	1:53.16	1:52.52	1:52.67	1:54.00	1:51.05	1:50.50	1:51.50
	2	Phil Smith	54	Starlet	1:51.30	1:53.64	VOID	1:53.46	1:53.30	1:54.07	1:51.30	VOID	1:52.69
	1	Steven Allison	24	Yaris	1:54.69	1:55.19	1:54.69	1:56.83	1:56.18	1:55.73	1:55.17	1:54.99	1:57.64
E-S	2	James Clayton	81	Starlet	1:56.56	1:59.16	1:58.16	1:58.42	1:58.10	1:57.77	1:56.56	1:57.54	1:57.60
	3	Dean Cantelo	28	Starlet	2:01.26	2:05.33	2:04.27	2:02.90	2:03.00	2:02.43	2:02.83	2:02.60	2:01.26
N1-P	1	Tim Huxley	59	GT86	1:40.80	1:42.71	1:42.55	1:40.94	1:40.80	1:42.73	1:41.39	1:41.26	1:42.15
	1	Kevin Atkins	9	GT86	1:42.36	1:43.21	1:42.50	1:42.36	1:44.87	1:43.62	1:44.42	1:44.14	1:43.69
	2	Lauren Blighton	6	GT86	1:42.41	VOID	1:42.76	1:42.94	1:42.41	1:42.47	1:42.94	1:43.11	1:43.41
	3	Keith Tsang	39	GT86	1:44.39	1:47.07	1:46.88	1:44.39	VOID	NR	1:49.31	1:48.45	1:48.25
	4	Mike Anchor	12	GT86	1:44.61	1:45.08	1:45.94	1:44.68	1:49.25	1:45.84	1:45.32	1:44.61	2:01.02
N1-5	5	Tomas Verner	80	GT86	1:45.47	1:49.96	1:49.03	1:48.15	1:48.17	1:47.05	1:46.55	1:47.90	1:45.47
N1-5	6	Alec Keeler	15	GT86	1:45.48	1:47.21	1:46.56	1:46.75	1:47.59	1:48.77	1:47.76	1:47.68	1:45.48
	7	Alexander Jaskowski	60	GT86 Blanco	1:50.04	1:57.41	1:54.60	1:51.98	1:52.17	DNF	1:50.04	VOID	1:53.16
	8	Faith Meaney	16	GT86	1:50.61	1:51.65	1:50.61	VOID	1:52.37	1:51.15	1:52.83	1:54.54	1:55.82
	9	Alex Grant	21	GT86	1:51.96	1:57.98	1:56.38	1:54.22	1:53.64	1:53.79	1:52.00	1:51.96	1:52.85
	10	Mike Batty	36	GT86	1:55.83	1:56.47	1:55.83	1:56.60	1:59.17	NR	NR	NR	NR
×	1	Ian Farrer	76	Jedi Mk4	1:34.90	1:40.50	1:41.88	1:34.90	1:42.83	1:37.57	1:38.51	1:36.67	1:46.47
	2	Tom Jewell	101	Audi TT	1:45.14	1:45.31	1:46.75	1:45.73	1:45.95	1:46.48	1:46.18	1:45.93	1:45.14
	3	Steve Jewell	102	Audi TT	1:48.69	1:48.80	1:51.23	1:48.90	1:50.25	1:49.47	1:51.52	1:48.69	RR

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Round 5 Croft Overall Results - September 18th 2016

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3	Nigel Levinson	Pro	4	Celica GT4 ST185	1:36.39	1:40.53	1:38.25	1:36.85	1:37.23	1:38.02	1:37.64	1:38.94	1:36.39
4	Phil Cutler	В-Р	7	MR2	1:38.89	1:42.21	1:40.68	2:24.05	1:44.86	1:39.77	1:38.89	1:39.24	1:38.90
5	Tim Huxley	N1-P	59	GT86	1:40.80	1:42.71	1:42.55	1:40.94	1:40.80	1:42.73	1:41.39	1:41.26	1:42.15
6	Tom Thorpe	АЗ-Р	5	Celica GT4	1:41.40	1:44.82	1:43.41	1:43.01	1:42.48	1:41.40	1:42.00	1:42.67	1:41.56
7	Jay Wood	A2-S	3	Celica GT4	1:42.30	1:44.18	1:42.50	1:42.73	1:43.41	1:43.06	1:44.04	1:42.30	1:42.86
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16	Roger Greaves	C-S	11	Celica	1:46.23	1:48.71	1:48.15	1:48.84	1:48.29	1:47.17	1:46.67	1:47.27	1:46.23
17	Jared Lodge	A3-S	13	Celica GT4	1:46.70	1:49.57	1:48.44	1:49.16	1:48.46	1:47.93	1:46.70	NR	NR
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25	Faith Meaney	N1-S	16	GT86	1:50.61	1:51.65	1:50.61	VOID	1:52.37	1:51.15	1:52.83	1:54.54	1:55.82
26	Phil Smith	E-P	54	Starlet	1:51.30	1:53.64	VOID	1:53.46	1:53.30	1:54.07	1:51.30	VOID	1:52.69
27	Alex Grant	N1-S	21	GT86	1:51.96	1:57.98	1:56.38	1:54.22	1:53.64	1:53.79	1:52.00	1:51.96	1:52.85
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35	Gary Street	D-P	22	Starlet	1:58.02	2:01.06	1:59.57	1:58.22	2:00.77	1:58.98	1:58.02	NR	NR
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